

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

Online library of current event topics - facts and arguments providing comprehensive information on today's social issues.

Path to Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

THE SOURCE: The Library's *Electronic Databases*

THE PATH: Go to the Library's web page: <http://depts.alverno.edu/library/>

Find "Search for Articles in Journals & Newspapers"

Click on **Databases By Subject**

Click on the **General Databases** category; choose Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

The screenshot shows the web interface for the Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Thomson Gale logo and the text "Alverno College" and "Return to Library". Below this is a search bar with the text "Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center" and a "Search" button. There are also links for "Preferences", "Change Databases", and "Logout". A menu bar contains "Search Types" with sub-options: "Basic", "Subject Guide", "Publication", "Advanced", and "Curriculum Standards". The "Basic Search" section is highlighted. Below the menu, there is a "Basic Search" form with a "Find:" input field and a "Search" button. Below the input field, there are radio buttons for "Subject" (selected), "Keyword", and "Entire document". Below the search options, there is a "Limit the results:" section.

The default search is by Subject. Enter text to begin searching for your topic.

Or, click on one of these existing topics

The screenshot shows a list of popular topics for selection. The text "Or select from the popular topics below:" is at the top. Below this is a list of topics arranged in two columns. The topics are: Abortion, Administration of criminal justice, Adoption, Affirmative action, AIDS (Disease), Alcoholism, Animal experimentation, Animal rights, Assisted suicide, Athletes, Bioethics, Biological weapons, Birth control, Capital punishment, Censorship, Chemical weapons, Child abuse, Church and state, Civil rights, Cloning, Crime, Crime victims, Death, Human rights, Illegal immigrants, Internet, Iraq, Islamic fundamentalism, Juvenile drinking, Juvenile drug abuse, Juvenile offenders, Marijuana, Marine resources conservation, Media violence, Medical care, Medical ethics, Mental disorders, Mental health, Middle East, Narcotics control, Narcotics legalization, National security, Nuclear weapons, Nutrition, Oceans, and Political corruption.

Viewing Your Results

Clicking on the subject **Islamic Fundamentalism** returned these results:

The screenshot shows the search results interface for the subject "Islamic Fundamentalism". On the left is a "Quick Search" box with a search bar and a "Search" button. Below it are "Subject Terms" including "Islamic Fundamentalism" and navigation arrows. The main results area is titled "Results for Basic Search (SU ('Islamic fundamentalism'))". It features a row of tabs: Viewpoints (highlighted), Reference, Magazines, Academic Journals, News, Primary Sources, and Statistics. Below the tabs are "Multimedia" and "Websites" tabs. A yellow bar contains "Refine Results" and a "Sort by: Relevance" dropdown. Below this is a "Mark All" checkbox and a "Results 1" of "20 of 54" with "GO" and "Next" buttons. A "Content Level" section shows "Basic" selected with a green dot, "Intermediate" with a yellow square, and "Advanced" with a red triangle. The first result is marked with a yellow square and is titled "1. The United States Does Not Care About Human Rights in Afghanistan." with a "Viewpoint essay" label. The snippet includes the author "Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan" and the source "Is America Helping Afghanistan?. Ed. Jann Einfeld. At Issue Series. San Diego: Greenhaven Press, 2005."

The **Viewpoints** tab displays pro and con opinion pieces about your issue.

Click the **Reference** tab to get more detailed background information about the issue.

Click the **Magazines** tab to get current articles from a variety of popular media about the issue.

Click the **News** tab to view newspaper articles related to your issue.

Click the **Academic Journals** tab to view scholarly in-depth articles about the issue.

Click the **Websites** tab to view relevant web sites related to your issue.

NOTE: If no results were found for a tab, the tab text appears grayed out.

To cite an Opposing Viewpoints database article in APA format, follow this example:

Bernstein, S. (2002). Filtering software can limit children's access to internet pornography. In H. Cothran (Ed.), *Pornography*. San Diego: Greenhaven Press. Retrieved August 4, 2004, from Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center database.

If you have questions about citing information in this database, please ask a reference librarian.