Searching GeoRef

Go to the Library’s main page, [http://www.lib.siu.edu/](http://www.lib.siu.edu/)
Click on “OneSearch Beta”
Click on “G” next to Databases by Title.
Click on “GeoRef (Ovid).”

Here’s the main screen. Notice the different search options. Advanced Search is the default.
For help with Boolean operators and Truncation options, click on Help. On the left, under “Selecting a Search Mode,” click on “Advanced Search.” Near the top of the screen, click on “Advanced Searching Techniques.” Click on the links to Truncation or Boolean.

Sample search:

Enter “fracking” (without the quotes) into the Advanced Search box. Be sure the box next to “Map Term to Search Heading” is selected. Click on the Search button.

Results screen links you to the correct terminology from the thesaurus. Click on “hydraulic fracturing.”
This screen shows the terms that are not used in the database as well as related terms. It also shows the number of hits for each term. Select the term or terms you wish to search and click on the Continue button near the top.

Results Screen includes options to:
- Filter search by Years, Subject, Author, Journal, Publication Type
- Sort results – multiple options
- Find Full Text (includes link to I-Share if full text not available)
- Print, E-mail, or Export Records

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