

## Using Google Scholar

### What is Google Scholar?

Google Scholar is a useful supplement to the Library's resources. Academic results are retrieved for journal articles, theses, books, abstracts, conference papers and court opinions. Some of the results will include items available through Federation University Library.

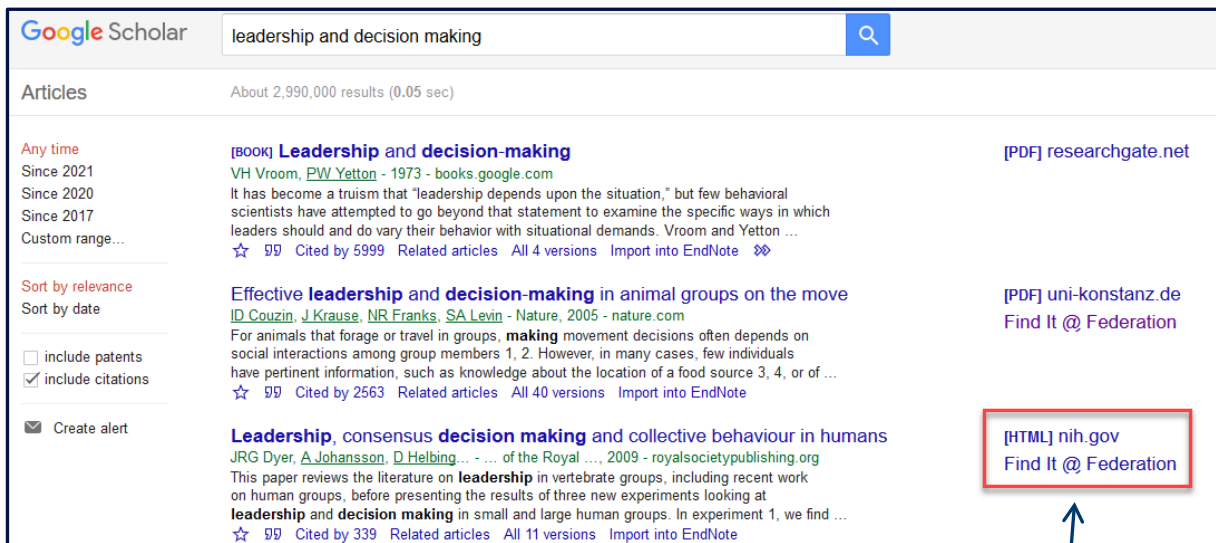
Many of the results you find through Google Scholar will be for *abstracts of articles*, not the full-text. If you would like access to the full-text you need to **link** Google Scholar to the Federation University collection.

### Link Google Scholar with Federation University Subscriptions

1. Go to the Google Scholar webpage (scholar.google.com.au)
2. Select the **Settings** option and click on the **Library links**. Type in **Federation**, tick the appropriate box/s and **Save** your selection.
3. Once you have linked Federation University collection to Google Scholar your results list will provide links to full-text copies held by the Library on the right hand side.
4. The following video will also assist you with this process. <https://youtu.be/CTYhcwZvuOI>

### Search Google Scholar

To search Google Scholar, type in your keywords and press Enter or

The screenshot shows a Google Scholar search for "leadership and decision making". The search bar contains the text "leadership and decision making" and a search icon. Below the search bar, it says "Articles About 2,990,000 results (0.05 sec)".

On the left side, there are filters for "Any time" (with sub-options: Since 2021, Since 2020, Since 2017, Custom range...), "Sort by relevance" (with sub-option: Sort by date), and checkboxes for "include patents" (unchecked), "include citations" (checked), and "Create alert" (checked).

Three search results are displayed:

- Result 1:** [BOOK] **Leadership and decision-making** [PDF] researchgate.net. Authors: VH Vroom, PW Yetton - 1973 - books.google.com. Description: It has become a truism that "leadership depends upon the situation," but few behavioral scientists have attempted to go beyond that statement to examine the specific ways in which leaders should and do vary their behavior with situational demands. Vroom and Yetton ... Cited by 5999.
- Result 2:** **Effective leadership and decision-making in animal groups on the move** [PDF] uni-konstanz.de Find It @ Federation. Authors: D Couzin, J Krause, NR Franks, SA Levin - Nature, 2005 - nature.com. Description: For animals that forage or travel in groups, making movement decisions often depends on social interactions among group members 1, 2. However, in many cases, few individuals have pertinent information, such as knowledge about the location of a food source 3, 4, or of ... Cited by 2563.
- Result 3:** **Leadership, consensus decision making and collective behaviour in humans** [HTML] nih.gov Find It @ Federation. Authors: JRG Dyer, A Johansson, D Helbing, ... of the Royal ... 2009 - royalsocietypublishing.org. Description: This paper reviews the literature on leadership in vertebrate groups, including recent work on human groups, before presenting the results of three new experiments looking at leadership and decision making in small and large human groups. In experiment 1, we find ... Cited by 339.

A red box highlights the "Find It @ Federation" link for the third result, with a blue arrow pointing to a text box below.

**Click Find it @ Federation to be directed to a Federation University login page**

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**Title:** Leadership, consensus decision making and collective behaviour in humans  
**Source:** Philosophical Transactions: Biological Sciences [0962-8436] Dyer, John R.G yr:2009 vol:364 iss:1518 pg:781 -789

**Look for full text**

**Full text online**

Full text available via **Free Medical Journals**

Year:  Volume:  Issue:  Start Page:

Full text available via **PubMed Central**

Year:  Volume:  Issue:  Start Page:

**More options**

**Click on the Go button, login with your Federation University username and password, which will give access to the item.**

### Search tips

Google Scholar searches use AND as a connector by default (e.g. leadership AND decision AND making). You can change this to make your search more comprehensive or more specific.

Some quick tips include:

- **Phrase searching:** put quotation marks around a phrase you would like to search e.g. "decision making"
- **OR searching:** insert OR between similar words that mean the same thing e.g. consensus OR agreement
- **NOT searching:** place – (hyphen) before a word you do not want included in any of the results e.g. -treatise

You can also limit searches by type of publication and year. This can be done after the search is complete by using the options found on the left hand side of the results.

### Settings in Google Scholar

You can personalise your settings in Google Scholar to:

- Your preferred language
- Include any participating libraries of which you are a member
- Set up EndNote as your preferred citation software. Use **Settings** and the **Bibliography manager** to do this.
- Exclude patents, citations, articles or legal documents from the search results.

### Need more assistance?

**Ask staff at the Information desk**

**Chat/FAQs** libanswers.federation.edu.au  
**Phone** 1300 552 567  
**Email** libinfo@federation.edu.au  
**Library homepage** federation.edu.au/library

**Articles**

Case law

My library

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**Any time**

Since 2016

Since 2015

Since 2012

Custom range...

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