



Linguistics Abstracts Online

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Access

1. At the Library Homepage (<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/>), select **E-Resources**.
2. Select **Databases: Title List**.
3. Select **Linguistics Abstracts Online** from the alphabetical list of databases.

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1. Enter search term(s). (Search terms are automatically combined with the operator, AND.)
- [Optional] *Select **IPA**, to search using phonetic alphabet. OR *Select to add **Diacritics** to search term(s).
2. Select field: **Match Any, Abstract, Abstract Title, Author, Journal** from drop-down menu.
3. Click on **Search**.

Advanced Search

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To perform an advanced search simply enter your requirements in the search facility below.

Abstract **IPA** **Diacritics**

Author **IPA** **Diacritics**

Journal

- Select None
- Acquisition et Interaction en Langue Étrangère
- Across Languages and Cultures
- Acta Linguistica Hungarica
- Advances in Speech-Language Pathology
- Afrikanistik online
- AILA Review

Subdiscipline

- Select None
- Comparative Linguistics
- Computational Linguistics
- Discourse Analysis
- Educational Linguistics
- Historical Linguistics
- Linguistic Historiography

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[Optional limits] *Select one or more journal(s) to search. And/Or *Select one or more subdisciplines(s) to search.

*Click on **Show More Advanced Search Options** to:
 -search by **Year, Journal Volume** and or **Issue**.
 -use **Proximity Searching**.
 -include **"Stop" Words** in search.

2. Click on **Search**.

Search tips

Check the **"Stop" Words** box, available under the **Show More Advanced Search Options**, to search for a phrase that includes a stop word (**and, or, if, else, but**), e.g. "grammar and spelling".

Use **Proximity Searching**, also available under the **Show More Advanced Search Options** to locate two or more words from a phrase within a specified distance from each other.

Use quotation marks " " to search for a phrase. e.g. "Chinese language".

Put first and family name of author inside quotation marks for exact match, eg. "Anne Smith".

Use Boolean Operators to combine multiple words/phrases:

Operator	Example	Finds
AND	sound AND pronunciation	records with both the words <i>sound</i> and <i>pronunciation</i>
OR	web OR internet	records with the word <i>web</i> or <i>internet</i> or both
NOT	French NOT Canadian	records with the word <i>French</i> but not <i>Canadian</i>

Use brackets () to specify the order of the Boolean operators in your search statement. For example, *language and (Chinese or Japanese)*, the operator inside the brackets (or) is executed before the operators used outside the brackets (and).

Boolean operators must be typed in capital letters.


- Stem searching:

Insert an * (asterisk) at the end of a search term to find words that have a common root. For example, *translat** returns translation, translator, translating, etc.

Display Search Results

The screenshot shows a search results interface with the following components and annotations:

- Narrow Results By:** A sidebar on the left with three sections:
 - Subdiscipline:** Discourse Analysis (2)
 - Journal:** Language in Society (1), Linguistics (1)
 - Year:** 2000 (1), 1985 (1)
 Annotation: "Select from available options listed under **Subdiscipline, Journal** or **Year** to limit search results."
- Search within Results:** A text input field with a "GO" button.
 Annotation: "To refine search, enter additional search terms."
- Sort Results By:** A dropdown menu with radio buttons for:
 - Relevancy (selected)
 - Year
 - Article Title
 - Journal
 - Subdiscipline
 Annotation: "Select preferred **Sort** option."
- Search Results:** The main content area showing "Your Search found 2 results: You are currently viewing results 1 to 2".
 - Result 1: "Discourse functions of tense-aspect oppositions in narrative: toward a theory of grounding" (Linguistics, 1985). Annotation: "Click on title to view abstract."
 - Annotation: "Check box to mark results for later emailing." (points to the checkbox)
 - Result 2: "The construction of conflicting accounts in public participation TV" (Language in Society, 2000).
 - Annotation: "Select to email marked results." (points to the "Send Via Email" button)

To check for full text, click on the SFX link available on individual abstract record. 

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Individual abstracts can be exported to bibliographic software, emailed or printed by selecting from options listed under **Abstract Tools**.

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- Save a search or retrieve a saved search.
- Set up RSS or email alerts to receive notification about newly added abstracts.
- Save individual abstracts into a customised folder.
- Set up search preferences.