

How to search for and obtain literature to write a paper



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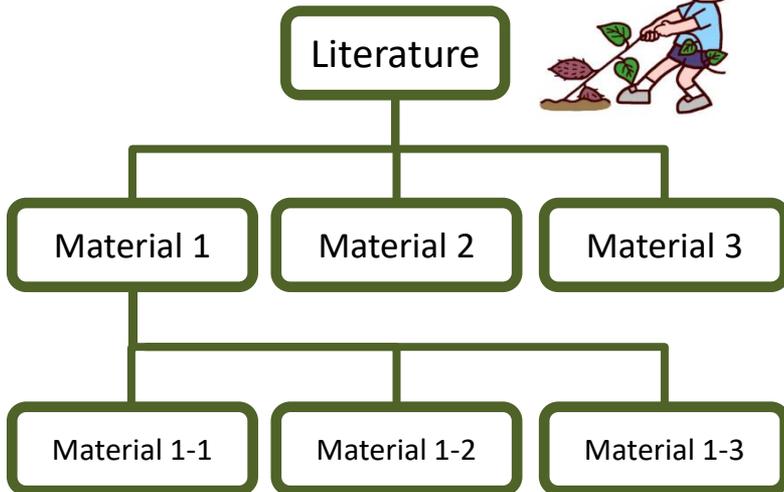
4. How to search for and obtain literature to write a paper

What is a paper?

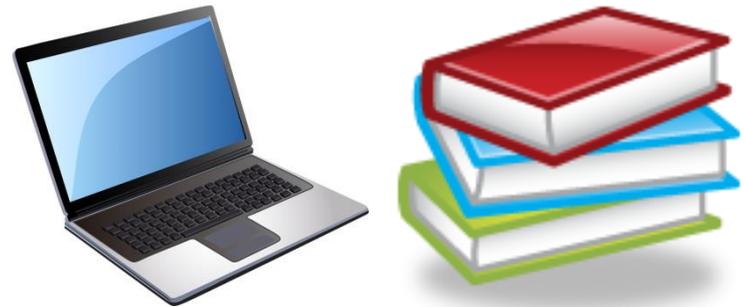
- In general, a paper is an academic answer to an academic problem
- This answer needs to be based on evidence:
 - **Facts**
 - **Data**
 - **Previous study**

4.1 Literature search

Search from background materials



Search through keywords



Using databases and reference books

Reference example

“Book”

Wentzel, Kathryn R.; Miele, David B. Handbook of

Author

Title

motivation at school. 2nd ed, Routledge, 2016, 532p.

Edition

Publisher

Publication
year

Total number
of pages

“Academic article”

Cho, Adrian. Artificial intelligence masters multiplayer

Author

Article title

poker. SCIENCE . 2019, Vol.366, Issue.6472, p.1441-1441.

Journal title

Publication
year

Volume, Issue (/No.)

Pages

Keywords?

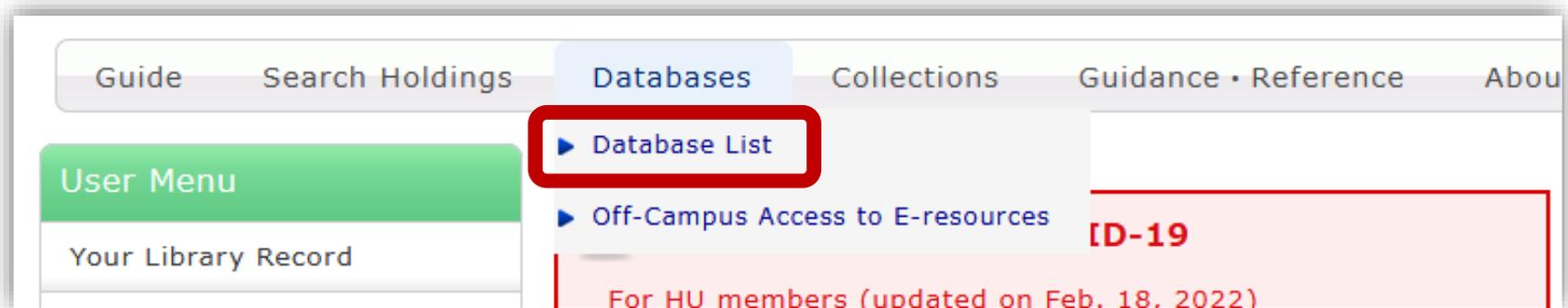
What does it mean to use keywords?

- Try to use different expression or name of what you search for
- If you want to learn some basics, you can add “introduction” to your search
- If you use very broad notions, you can try to replace them with several words or use more specific words (e.g.)
 - Environmental issues  Marine environment  Microplastics
 - COVID-19  Epidemiology  Public health

4.1.1 Databases

- Databases available at Hiroshima University

Library website > Databases > [Database List](#)



- * There are various kinds of databases, and you need to select the most appropriate one according to the type of literature you are searching.
- * You can also check the terms of use for each database in this list. Please be sure to check before using.

Topics: What are “bibliographical search engines”?

- Contain not books or articles themselves, but information about them: titles, authors, publishing information, number of pages, etc.
- Have links to sites where the materials can be ordered, read or purchased.

Books or Journals search databases

Name	Contents	Off-campus access
OPAC	Information on Hiroshima University's holdings of books, journals, audio-visual materials, electronic materials, etc.	free access
CiNii Books	Information on the holdings of materials at university libraries and research institutes in Japan	free access * VPN service or single sign-on is required to use the "Find it/Fulltext@HU" icon.
NDL Search	Information on the holdings and digital materials of the National Diet Library and other public libraries in Japan	free access

Databases to search for academic articles (all research spheres)

Name	Contents	Off-campus access
CiNii Research	Academic articles published in Japan, research data, university holdings, doctoral dissertations, and research projects	free access * VPN service or single sign-on is required to use the "Find it/Fulltext@HU" icon.
Web of Science	English or other language academic articles in the fields of science, humanities, and social sciences	VPN service or Single sign-on
Scopus	English or other language academic articles published in more than 21,000 journals in all fields	VPN service or Single sign-on
EBSCOhost	A platform for searching literature databases in English or other language at once	VPN service or Single sign-on

Academic articles databases for specific spheres

Spheres	Name	Contents	Off-campus access
Medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing	Ichushi Web: Japanese Medical Abstracts Society	Academic articles published in Japan	VPN service
Education	ERIC	Academic articles published in abroad	VPN service
Chemistry	SciFinder-n	English or other language academic articles, patents, chemical substances, organic chemical reaction information	VPN service

Databases for newspaper (Shimbun) articles

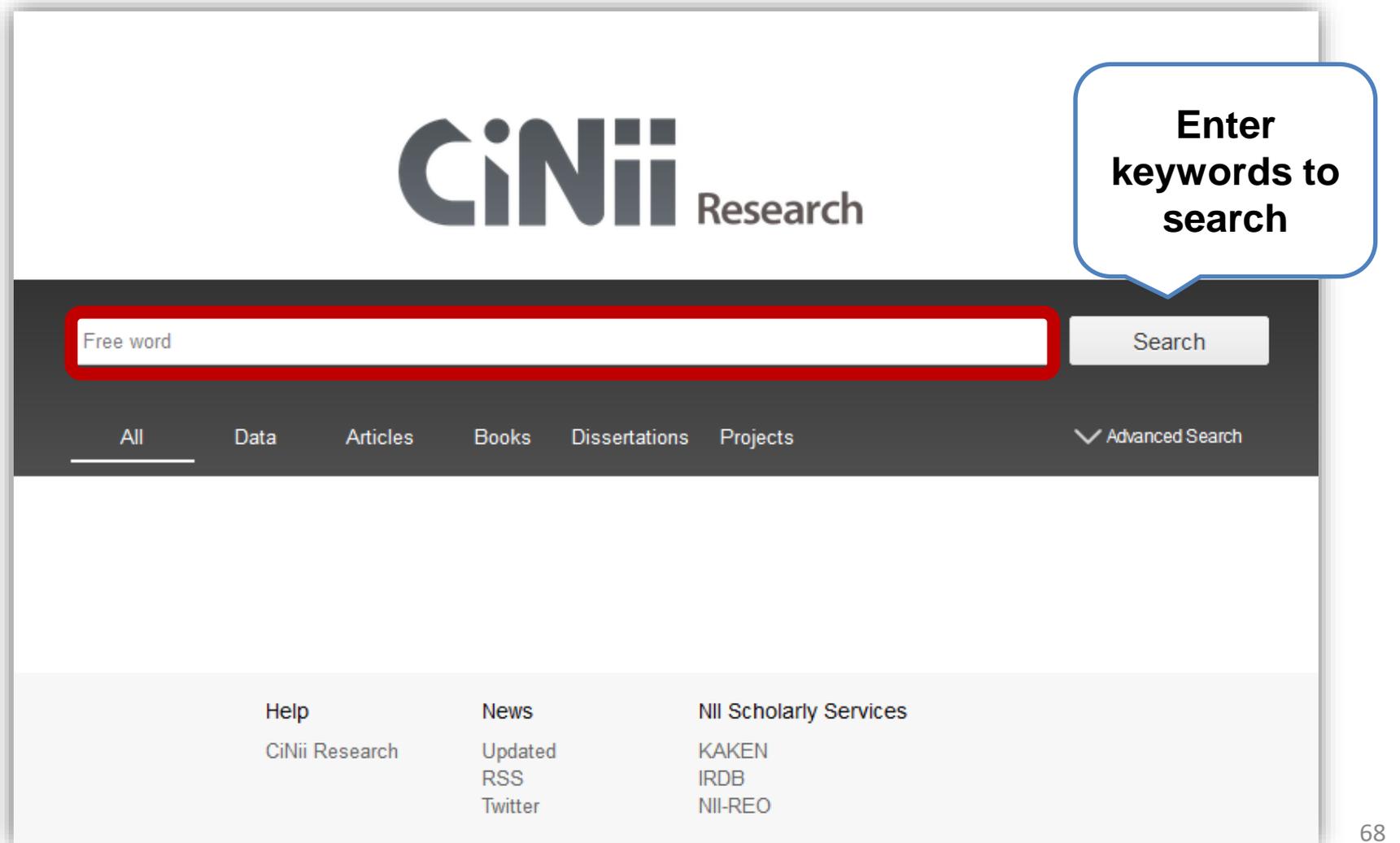
Name	Contents	Number of simultaneous accesses	Off-campus access
Asahi Shimbun Cross Search	" Asahi Shimbun " articles since the first issue (1879)	2	VPN service
Nikkei Telecom 21	" Nihon Keizai Shimbun " since October 1981, corporate and personnel information	3	VPN service
Maisaku	" Mainichi Shimbun " articles since the first issue (1879)	1	VPN service
Yomidas	" Yomiuri Shimbun " articles since the first issue (1874)	1	VPN service
Chugoku Shimbun PLUS Nikkei Telecom	" Chugoku Shimbun " articles since 1996	2	VPN service

Others:

Name	Contents	Number of simultaneous accesses	Off-campus access
Westlaw Japan	Japanese laws and regulations, precedents, court decisions, law-related journal articles, books, etc.	Unlimited access (Yuhikaku Online Database: 1)	VPN service
Japan Knowledge Lib	Over 70 dictionaries and encyclopedias published in Japan	Unlimited access	VPN service or Single sign-on

CiNii Research

<https://cir.nii.ac.jp/?lang=en>



CiNii Research

Free word

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Help	News	NII Scholarly Services
CiNii Research	Updated	KAKEN
	RSS	IRDB
	Twitter	NII-REO

Refine your search by "Articles"

The screenshot shows the CiNii search interface. At the top, the search bar contains 'English Vocabulary' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, there are tabs for different data types: 'All' (7,061), 'Data' (0), 'Articles' (2,336), 'Books' (4,198), 'Dissertations' (16), and 'Projects' (511). An 'Advanced Search' link is also visible. A red notification banner at the top right states: '[Updated on Jan. 6] Integration of CiNii Articles into CiNii Research from Ap...'. On the left side, under 'Data Type', the 'Articles' option is highlighted with a red box. Below this, there are filters for 'Link to full-text / body' (1,539 results) and 'Period' (2000 to 2022). The main search results area shows 7,061 results. The first three results are: 1. 'Vocabulary workbook' by Bloomsbury, with a CiNii link. 2. 'A thesaurus of English dialect and slang : England, Wales and the Channel Islands' by Robinson, Jonathan, Cambridge University Press 2021, with Web Site and CiNii links. 3. 'Check your English vocabulary for TOEFL' by Wyatt, Rawdon A & C Black 2007 3rd ed, with a CiNii link.

CiNii

English Vocabulary

Search

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Period

2000 ~ 2022 Apply

Language Type

Search Results : 7,061 results

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Select all : Open in New Windows Go

Show 20 results

Vocabulary workbook
Bloomsbury
CiNii

A thesaurus of English dialect and slang : England, Wales and the Channel Islands
Robinson, Jonathan Cambridge University Press 2021
Web Site CiNii

Check your English vocabulary for TOEFL
Wyatt, Rawdon A & C Black 2007 3rd ed
CiNii

Search Results: 広大でさがす [Find it at HU*]

Analyses on Vocabulary Size Test

Fukuda Tetsuya, Yoshimuta Satomi, Tsuneyasu
2019

...The result shows that even though the subjects were not
tested, they generally improved their English

Links to electronic journal sites:
Icons such as "IR[Institutional repository]" or "DOI", etc.

IR

DOI

CiNii

Vocabulary and the Teaching of English for Specific Purposes

Fraser, Simon A. 看護学統合研究 3 (1), 32-37, 2001-09-25

Survey of the pedagogic issues and literature in the field of vocabulary in English (ESP)....

SFX Services for this record

Title: Vocabulary and the Teaching of English for Specific Purposes
Source: 看護学統合研究 [1346-0692] Fraser, Simon yr:2001 vol:3 iss:1 pg:32-37

Basic

Full Text

Full text available via **Freely Accessible Japanese Titles** *一部本文が利用可能
Year: 2001 Volume: 3 Issue: 1 Start Page: 32 GO

Full text available via **Medical Online Library**
Year: 2001 Volume: 3 Issue: 1 Start Page: 32 GO

Holding information

Holdings in **Hiroshima University OPAC** GO
1件見つかりました。
看護学統合研究

所蔵館	配架場所	所蔵巻次
蔵	蔵図書館	1-8,9(1)<1999-2007>

Holdings in **CiNii Books** GO
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use and underuse in Japanese

集 / 大分文化大学経営学会 編 (18) 75

ry Teaching

美林英語英米文学研究 = Obirin studies

essential part of any language; thus vocabulary is a social....

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Find it@広大

Click the "広大でさがす[Find it@HU]" icon. Navigate how to get literature at Hiroshima University. * On-campus network only

* "Hiroshima University" (hereinafter, this is called "HU").

CiNii Articles: Search result details

The image shows a search result for an article on CiNii. The article title is "Oral Repetitions of English Vocabulary Using Text-To-Speech Synthesis Sounds : Preparation for University Entrance Examinations". The author is KATAOKA Harumi. The article is from "The JASEC bulletin", volume 23 (1), pages 71-86, published in 2014. The page number is 12. The search result is displayed on the CiNii Books platform, with links to NDL ONLINE and CiNii Books. Callouts highlight the article title, author, journal title, and volume, pages, and publication year.

Article title

Author

Journal title

Volume, Pages, Publication year

Exercise 4

Search for articles on [CiNii Research](#) and answer the question.

You are looking for the following **article**. Answer the Journal Title, Volume Number, Pages, and Publication Year of the journal that contains this article.

Article Title: **Thermal stress in Tokyo and Sapporo during the 2020 Olympics period**

Author: **Yuhwan SEO, Tsuyoshi HONJO**

Journal Title: ()

Volume Number: ()

Pages: ()

Publication Year: ()

4.2 How to obtain literature

"Books can be borrowed, but papers cannot be borrowed. If you want to take out a paper, you need to make a copy from the journal it is published in (viewing within the library is possible)

Material Type	How to obtain
Books	can <u>be borrowed</u> .
Journal (Articles)	can make <u>copies</u> of the articles.

4.2.1 When the literature is available at HU : Books

First, let's check where the book is located at HU on OPAC.

When the book is in a **library**



on your campus

You have to go directly to the location and borrow it.

on other campus

You can apply for delivery of them from the “Reserve” button in the Holdings List of OPAC.*

When the book is in a **laboratory**



on your campus

You need to check the OPAC location details page and then ask the laboratory whether they are available.

on other campus

You can apply for delivery of them from “ILL Borrowing Request” on OPAC.*

***free shipping**

4.2.1 When the literature is available at HU : Journals

First, let's check where the book is located at HU on OPAC.

When the journal is in a **library**



on your campus

You have to go directly to the location and copy the articles.

on other campus

You can order a copy of the article from "ILL Copy Request" on OPAC.*

When the journal is in a **laboratory**



on your campus

You need to check the OPAC location details page and then ask the laboratory whether they are available.

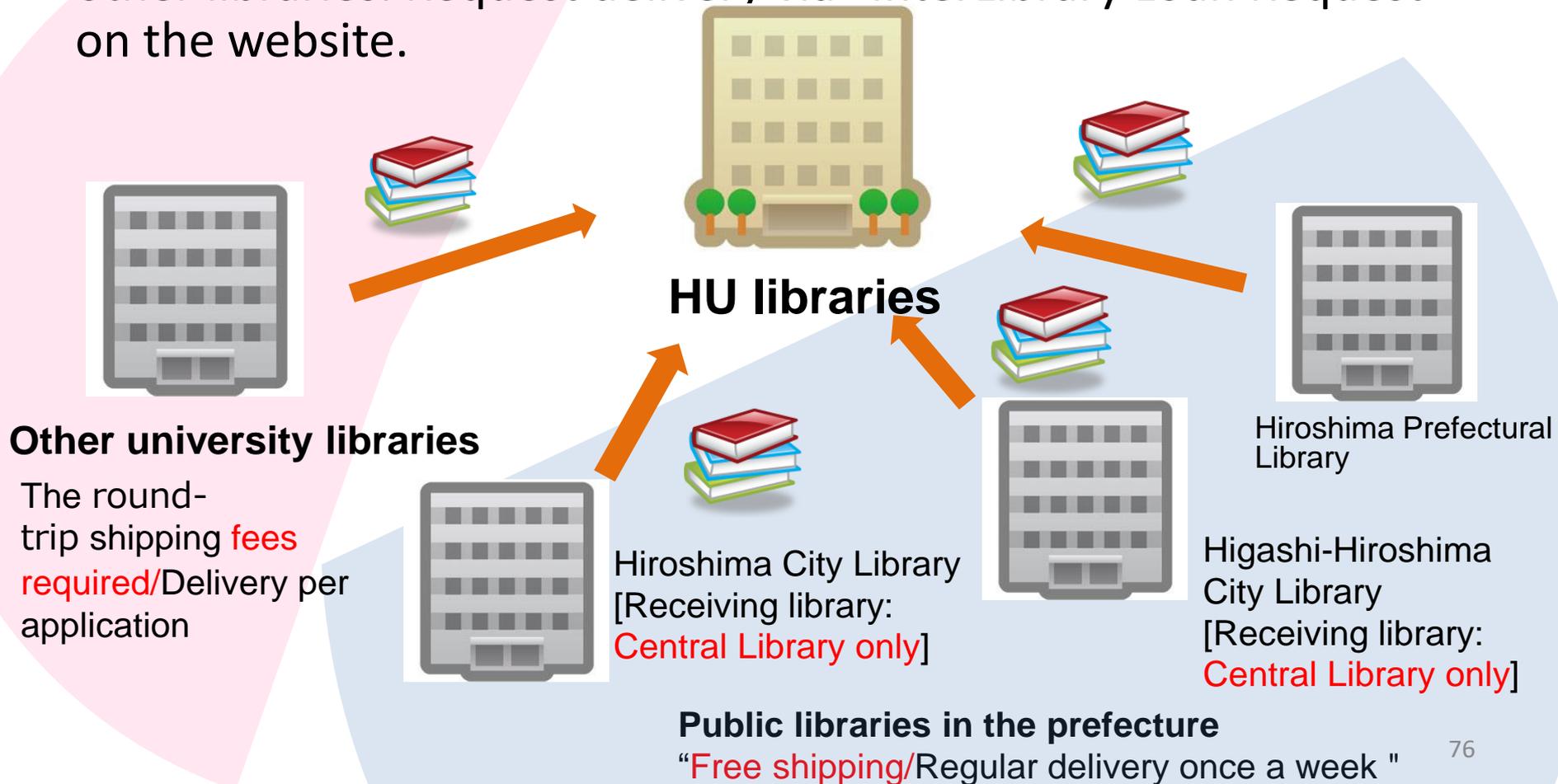
on other campus

You can order a copy of the article from "ILL Copy Request" on OPAC.*

*** Copy fee required**

4.2.2 When the literature is not available at HU: Books

If HU does not have the book you need, you can borrow it from other libraries. Request delivery via “InterLibrary Loan Request” on the website.



4.2.2 When the literature is not available at HU: Book purchase request

- You can request the purchase of books that are not in the library or books that are only in the laboratory.
- It will take about a month to become available.
- There is a limit to the number of books and amount of money that can be applied for per year.
- Some materials, such as journals, are not available for purchase.

>[More information](#)

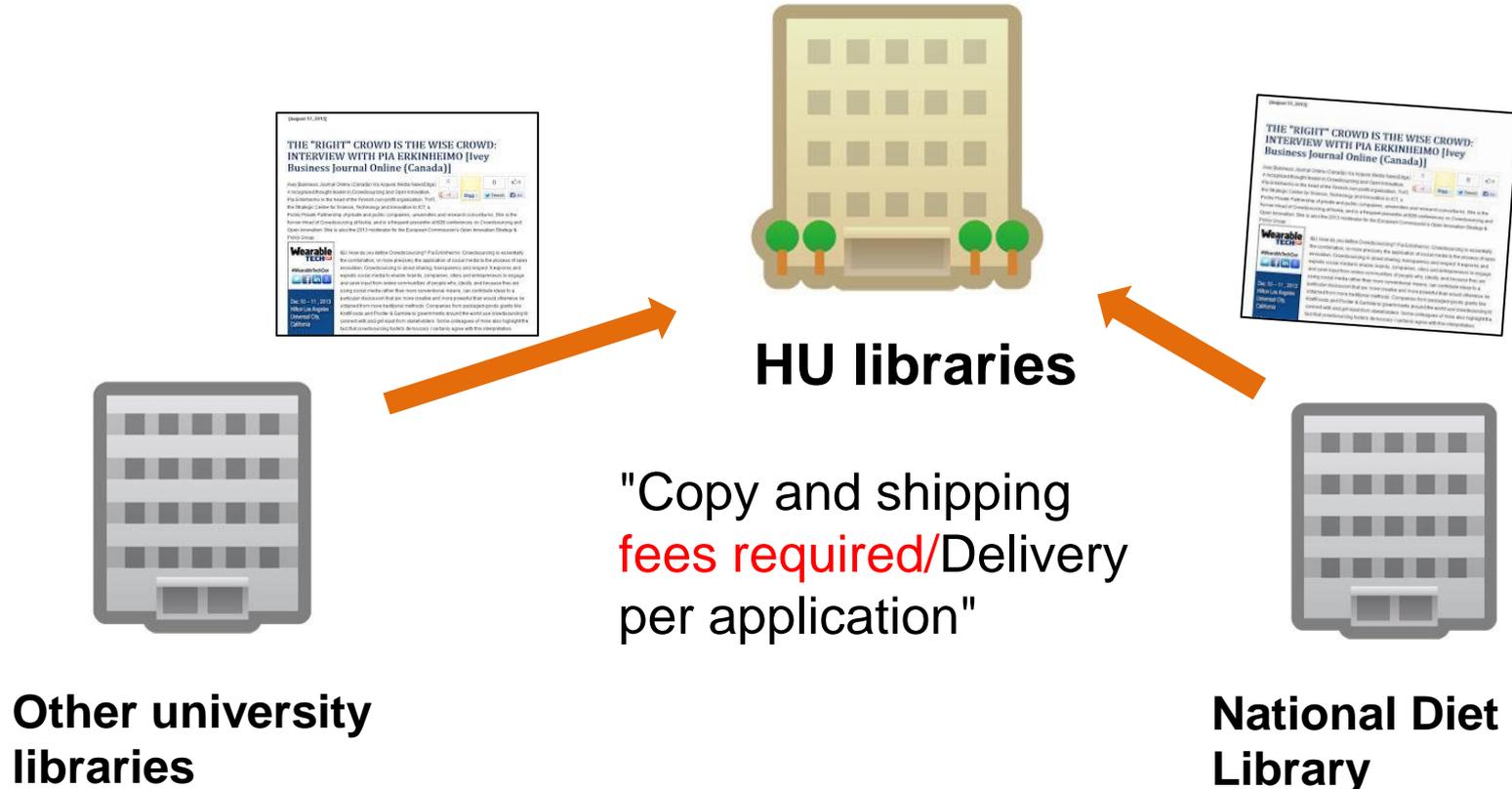
The screenshot displays the HULibrary website interface. On the left, a 'User Menu' is visible with the following options: 'Your Library Record', 'InterLibrary Copy Request', 'InterLibrary Loan Request', and 'New Purchase Request' (highlighted with a red box). The main content area features a banner for 'HULibrary News' 2025 Jan issue, with the tagline 'A glance of our Library's Art Classics of the Month "Chishinshu"'. The banner includes the text 'Check it out now!' and 'Get at each library or on the web'. At the bottom of the banner, there are navigation icons for FEATURE, INFORMATION, TOPICS, RECOMMEND, CLIP, and CALENDAR. On the right side, a table shows the opening hours for 2025/01/31 (FRI) for various libraries.

Library	Opening Hours
Central	08:30-22:00
East	08:30-21:00
West	08:30-20:00
Kasumi	08:30-21:00
Higashi-Senda	08:30-22:00

Monthly

4.2.2 When the literature is not available at HU: Journals

If HU does not have the journals you need, you can order copies of articles from other libraries. Request delivery of a copy via “InterLibrary Copy Request” on the website.



Further Resources

Bailey, Stephen. Academic writing : a handbook for international students. 5th ed, Routledge, 2018. 312p