

# Philosophy Subject Databases

**Bibliographical databases** are the best tools for locating **journal articles**, book reviews, collections of essays and conference proceedings even if you don't know the authors or article.

This task will compare several subject-based bibliographical databases. You will **search for an article by subject**, locate the **full-text** in Oxford and learn how to **save the citations**.

## Using Philosopher's Index

- ✎ Connect to Databases A-Z (<https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/az.php> or via SOLO) and search for **Philosopher's Index**
- ✎ Connect to **Philosopher's Index**. Choose **databases** allows you to add in other EBSCO databases, for example **ATLA + Philosopher's Index**.
- ✎ Search for recent articles on the subject of **consciousness**. **Basic Search** and **Advanced Search** allow combinations of different terms and repeated searches.

- Type **consciousness** in the first search box
- Select **SU Subjects** as the search field:

Searching: Philosopher's Index | [Choose Databases](#)




- **Limit** the publication to 2011-2016:

Published Date





- ✎ You have many results. Refine the search by selecting **phenomenology** from the dropdown **Subject** menu on the left and update your results
- ✎ Click on: **The Semantics of 'What It's Like' and the Nature of Consciousness**. Look at the record in detail:
  - In which journal was it published?
  - Email the citation to yourself
  - Try and find the electronic full-text
- ✎ Now try and find a printed copy via SOLO.
  - Click on the journal title and then [Find it @ Oxford](#)
  - Choose **SOLO** under **Print holdings**
  - Look at the **Physical Items** only
  - Click **Find & Request** for information on which library or reading room holds the title and see how you might access it.
- ✎ Next, search for all articles written by **Timothy Williamson** in **Philosopher's Index**.
  - Sort in order of date of publication, with the newest articles displayed first.



# SKILLS TOOLKIT

- ✎ In **Advanced Search**, select **Timothy Williamson** as author and **Book Review** as document type
  - Collect all the reviews for **The Philosophy of Philosophy** into a folder and email to yourself
- ✎ Go to **Indexes** (in the blue bar at the top of the screen) and **Browse an Index** to search for **People as Subject**; search for all articles written about **Timothy Williamson**

## Using PhilPapers

- ✎ Connect to Databases A-Z (<https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/az.php> or via SOLO) and search for **PhilPapers**
- ✎ You can try searching for **Timothy Williamson** again to compare, or choose a search of your own for the **General search** bar. Remember to link Keywords by **AND**. The default in PP is OR.
- ✎ Click on an article title to see details, or select **Direct download** to download a document. Not all results will be available to download.
- ✎ Export a citation using the **Export citation** button.
- ✎ On **PhilPapers** you can also **Browse** by subject to a high degree of detail:
  - Go to the **PhilPapers** homepage
  - Scroll down to **Browse By Topic**
  - Choose **Metaphysics**.
  - Navigate through the subcategories **Causation** then **Causal Eliminativism**.
  - Who edited the summary for this topic?

## Using International Philosophical Bibliography

- ✎ Connect to Databases A-Z (<https://libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/az.php> or via SOLO) and search for **International Philosophical Bibliography (IPB)**
- ✎ On the Welcome page, click **The IPB on-line**, then **IPB full edition**
- ✎ You can try searching for **Timothy Williamson** as a personal name again to compare, or choose a search of your own.
- ✎ Results with a \* before them are books, others are articles. Those with a different author may be book reviews or chapters in edited works.
- ✎ Click directly on the writing of a result to see commentaries, reviews, a link to the text (if available) and full bibliographic details.



Research students'

# Skills Toolkit



IPB

Query :  
Personal names contains 'williamson, timothy', but only as All primary literature

Sort by : reference

showing 1-25 out of 79

with selection, do :

- Williamson, T. Never say never (1994)
- \* Williamson, T. Vagueness (1994)
- Williamson, T. Inexact knowledge (1992)
- Priest, G. Beyond the limits of thought: T. Williamson, *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science* 47 (1996), n. 2, 331-334.
- Williamson, T. What makes it a heap? (1996)
- Williamson, T. Knowing and asserting (1996)

Use the tick boxes to email some results to yourself.

Williamson, T. Vagueness (1994)

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\* Williamson, Timothy. *Vagueness (Problems of philosophy: Their past and present)*. London, New York, Routledge, 1994. xiv-326 p., 21,5 x 14, hardback £35. ISBN 0-415-03331-4 (Hbk), 0-415-13960-5 (Pbk).

Authors: Williamson Timothy (1955-)

Language: English

Subjects: vagueness

Commentary: Ellis, G. *Vagueness, sharp boundaries, and supervenience conditions*  
Günther Törzner. *Vagueness and vagueness for some principles*  
Horwich, P. *The nature of vagueness*  
Jensen, A. *Vagueness*  
Muller, K. *Vagueness, in vagueness and context-dependence*  
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