A Research Guide for REL 339E
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- Search by Keyword on your topic.
  e.g. atheism AND unbelief
  e.g. fundamentalism AND atheism
- Search by Subject on your topic using the advanced search option
  e.g. Bertrand Russell
  e.g. new atheism

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- e.g. a journal title: International Journal for Philosophy of Religion
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Search by keywords. Consider combinations of concepts (philosopher, ethnic group, location, social issue, etc.).
- e.g. consciousness AND Dennett
- e.g. politics AND new atheism
- e.g. atheist AND feminism
- e.g. Russell NOT education
  e.g. SpringerLink Use options on the left, e.g. Discipline and Subdiscipline, to be more precise
  e.g. Opposing Viewpoints for an overview of different viewpoints to consider on an issue.
  e.g, Lexis Nexis Academic Universe for wide news coverage and broadcast transcripts
  e.g. Millie Northern Light for news and analysis from a journals, newspapers, websites & blogs.

Use the Statistics to find demographics, information about the numbers & categories of people who follow various beliefs.

Use the Resources for varying points of view to explore how others perceive this subject.

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