5 Ways to Keep Up with the Literature
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1. Join a journal club
2. Listen to podcasts
3. Find your favorite journal & scholarly society
4. Setup topic alerts via discipline databases
5. Get journal suggestions from your librarian

Resources for:

#1
Reading for Research in LIS https://readers.lib.utah.edu/clubs/
Preprint journal club with Public Library of Science https://content.prereview.org/liveprejcs/
UU School of Medicine has some (search campus website for details)
Ask the professor or lab you’re working with
Or start your own club

#2
We added PhilosophyTalk to the library’s collection, it’s great. Science has a good one and so does Nature. Other students suggest Sean Carol’s Mindscape, This week in virology!, Exploring GIS, and Weather Geeks I created a guide with a fuller listing https://campusguides.lib.utah.edu/freescholarlyresources/podcasts
Does anybody have one they’d suggest?

#3
My favorite journal is called Evidence-Based Library & Information Practice. It’s great because it’s online and open-access and the research is solid. The editors are excellent.

It takes time to find your favorite journal. This basic listing of ejournals at the library is a great place to start browsing https://databases.tools.lib.utah.edu/index.php?subjID=&typeID=4

Like journal clubs, ask the professor or lab you’re working with or get personalized recommendations from me as scholarly communication librarian https://campusguides.lib.utah.edu/readingrecommends

#4
Each discipline has its own relevant databases; each database has its own approach. Find your subject on this guide, then go with the top recommended database. Start a search and then save that search as a regular alert (be prepared to create an account) https://databases.tools.lib.utah.edu

Get more info on alerts on this guide created by librarian Donna Ziegenfuss https://campusguides.lib.utah.edu/c.php?g=160395&p=1051885

#5
Find your subject (degree, major, or format) here and contact your librarian https://lib.utah.edu/collections/subject-specialists.php Or use my guide on reading recommendations as a place to start https://campusguides.lib.utah.edu/readingrecommends