



# Tip O' the Week:

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JStor:  
Journal  
Storage



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JStor's Complete  
Current  
Scholarship  
Collection



## Brought to you by Librarians @ McCarthy Library

- ▶ JSTOR is an online system of archiving academic journals. It was conceived by William Bowen as a solution to the problems faced by libraries, especially research and university libraries, due to the increasing number of academic journals in existence. Most libraries found it prohibitively expensive, both in terms of cost and in terms of space, to maintain a comprehensive collection of journals. By digitizing many journal titles, JSTOR allowed libraries to outsource the storage of these journals with the confidence that they would remain available for the long term. Originally funded by The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in 1995, JSTOR is now an independent self-sustaining not-for-profit organization based in New York City.
- ▶ JSTOR is a full-text database.
- ▶ While Napa Valley College does not currently subscribe to this database, it is possible to gain limited access to full-text journals on Jstor. Follow the steps below to try it out:
  - ▶ 1). Go to <http://www.jstor.org>
  - ▶ 2). Using the Advanced Search function, choose "Include only content I can access" and "Include links to external content". Then hit the "Search" button:

Advanced Search [View Tutorial](#) | [Search Help](#)

full-text ▾  
 AND ▾  full-text ▾  
  
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 Include links to external content ?

- ▶ JSTOR is on our "wish-list" of excellent databases we'd like to bring to NVC. If there is a particular article that you would like, but find you do not have access to it, let us know, and we will go through Inter-Library Loan in order to procure a copy for you. While this can take time, it can save you from paying a large fee for the article.

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We hope you found this tip helpful!  
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