Websites

• **AC Nursing Program**—homepage for Nursing Division at Amarillo College.

• **Healthy People 2020**—a statement of national health objectives designed to identify the most significant preventable threats to health and to establish national goals to reduce these threats.

• **National Center for Health Statistics**—FastStats A-Z.

• **State Health Facts On-line**—Kaiser Family Foundation interactive web site.

• **Foreign Language Health Materials**—research guides, links to cultures & ethnicities, and translated medical health materials collected by the New Jersey State Library which is affiliated with the Thomas Edison State College.

• **Healthcare Fraud information sources**—MedlinePlus; American Cancer Society; Quackwatch; Centers for Disease Control

• **Drug Information Pathfinder**—drug information for health professionals from the U.S. National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health web page.

• **Medical Ethics and Bioethics links**—Center for Ethics & Human Rights, American Nurses Association.

• **Occupational Health for Healthcare Providers**—assorted high quality resources gathered by the National Library of Medicine regarding ways to avoid exposure to hazards, diseases and chemicals, as well as methods to cope with shift work and stress and to prevent physical injury.
• **Disaster Preparedness and Response**—American Nurses Association information on protecting patients, nursing staff and preparing hospitals and communities to respond to disasters.

• **Virtual Hospital**—digital library created by the University of Iowa containing thousands of textbooks and booklets for health care providers and patients.

• **Geriatrics & Gerontology**—links to sources on the WebMD site.

• **Palliative Care**—an AJN series of articles on various aspects of end-of-life care. for CE credit.

• **Pharmacology Math**—Pharmacology and math calculation in nursing from the Miami Dade College website has list of many resources.

• **Health Image Library from Centers for Disease Control**

• **How to read a research article**—article in *Journal for Specialists in Pediatric Nursing* advises clinicians how to read a research article.

• **How to read and evaluate a scientific research paper**

• **Drug Addiction in Health Care Professionals**—Drug Enforcement Administration

**STAT!Ref database:** contains very recent editions of:

• AHFS Drug Information

• USP-DI Drug Info for the healthcare professional

• USP-DI Advice for the patient
**AC Library Databases**

**CINAHL**—Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature provides complete coverage of English-language nursing journals and publications from the National League for Nursing and the American Nurses’ Association, this database covers nursing, biomedicine, health sciences librarianship, alternative/complementary medicine, consumer health and 17 allied health disciplines. Contains abstracts or full text, depending on the publisher.

**Health Reference Center Academic**— provides searchable full text information from medical reference books, articles from refereed periodical literature such as Nursing, American Journal of Nursing, Pediatric Nursing, Journal of Nursing Scholarship; pamphlets, and other reputable sources.

**Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition**— provides articles from more than 500 scholarly full-text and abstracted journals focusing on many medical disciplines, including nursing. Also contains a medical dictionary.

**MedicLatina** is a Spanish-language collection of medical research and investigative journals published by renowned Latin American medical publishers. This unique database provides access to full text for nearly 100 peer-reviewed medical journals.

**Tips for getting the best results from the AC Library Databases**

Search only nursing journals or to find articles by nurses:

http://cis7.actx.edu/ACLibrary/aclweb/tutorials/nursing_jrnls.htm

Finding only scholarly peer reviewed articles:

http://cis7.actx.edu/ACLibrary/aclweb/tutorials/scholarly_articles.htm
Find articles by a specific author:

http://cis7.actx.edu/ACLibrary/aclweb/tutorials/Research_Skills_Microtutorial_author_search.htm

Find the best articles:

http://cis7.actx.edu/ACLibrary/aclweb/tutorials/Research_Skills_Microtutorial_best_articles.htm

How can I search more efficiently (using and/or)?:

http://cis7.actx.edu/ACLibrary/aclweb/tutorials/search_using_AND-OR.htm

**Electronic Books**

**STAT!Ref**—is an electronic medical library that enables users to cross-search more than 35 full text medical reference and textbooks covering physiology, pharmacology, internal medicine, obstetrics, psychiatry, pediatrics, urology, dermatology, geriatrics, emergency medicine and more.

**NetLibrary eBooks**: There are a number of related books in the NetLibrary eBooks database. Please log in using your ACOnline/WebAdvisor ID and password. These are just a few samples:


Print Books

Librarians can help students identify suitable books for assignments. You can save time by seeking their assistance.

West Campus
**Note:** The West Campus Library specializes in nursing, allied health, criminal justice, child development, and mortuary science.

**Walk-in assistance:** Go to the AC area of the Amarillo Public Library Northwest Branch, which is located in the southeast corner of the AC West Campus (closest to Bell Street). (The AC area is located in the back right-hand corner of the building.) The AC librarian on duty will assist you. You will need a valid library card to check out a book. Call 371-5400 for information about how to obtain a library card.

**Assistance by telephone:** Call 356-3627.

**Washington Street Campus**

**Walk-in assistance:** Go to the second floor of Lynn Library. Use the telephone located on the small table near the main computer sign-in desk to call the research help number, which is posted. The librarian on duty will respond.

**Assistance by appointment:** Call 371-5403 or 345-5582 to make an appointment for uninterrupted individual help.

**Assistance by telephone:** Call 371-5468 or toll-free 866-371-5468.

**Print Periodicals**

The following print periodicals are located in the **AC West Campus Library**, a member of the Amarillo Public Library system (Northwest Branch):

- Advance for Nurse Practitioners
- Advance for Nurses
• American Journal of Nursing
• Diagnostic Imaging
• Infection Control & Hospital Epidemiology
• Journal of Nursing Education
• Journal of Nursing Scholarships
• The Journal of Practical Nursing
• Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services
• MCN—the American Journal of Maternal Child Nursing
• MedSurg Nursing
• Minority Nurse
• Nurse’s Drug Alert
• Nurse Educator
• NurseWeek
• Nursing
• Nursing Education Perspectives
• Nursing for Women’s Health
• Nursing Management
• Nursing Outlook
• Nursing Research
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2. Click on the Academics tab (4th tab from left side).
3. On the blue toolbar, click on Tutoring (last choice on the right hand side). The SMARTTHINKING Free Online Tutoring page will pop up.
4. Follow the instructions for setting up an account. (Blue bubble with words: Click here to create your own account).

**Science Tutoring Available at AC**

Sciences Study Center

Warren Hall, Room 110

Open Monday – Thursday 7:30 a.m. – 7 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Saturdays.

Telephone: 345-5536
Tutors for anatomy & physiology and chemistry students are available at various times during the week. Students of all science classes are encouraged to take advantage of the center.

Appointments are not necessary and the tutoring is free.