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2. Under Quick Links, click on EZproxy.
3. Enter the 14-digit number on the front/back of your *FAU Owl Card*
4. Press [Login] button.
5. Under Quick Links, click on Indexes /Databases.
6. Under Databases by Title, click on letter "C."
7. Select CINAHL – Vendor:OVID.
8. Once you have opened OVID, select "CINAHL."

Basic Search




The screenshot shows the CINAHL search interface. At the top, it says "CINAHL <1982 to October 2000>" with a "Help" button. Below this are icons for "Advanced", "Change Database", and "Logoff". The main search area has a prompt: "--Enter your search in **one or both fields** below and then click the "Perform search" button--". There are two input fields: "Keywords:" and "Author (eg. Smith A):". To the right of the Author field is a "Perform Search" button. Below the search fields is a "Limit to:" section with several checkboxes: "Latest Update", "Research", "Review Articles", "Consumer Health Journals", "Abstracts", and "Full Text Available". At the bottom, there are "Publication Year" dropdown menus.

- **Enter Key words.** Enter a word or phrase you want to search in the <keywords box> To find a root word and its variants, append a dollar sign (\$). For example, the search famil\$ would retrieve the words family, families, familial, and so on. Leave the <Keywords box> blank if you search by author's name only.
- **Enter Author Name.** Enter the author's last name in the <Author box>. For best results, enter the last name followed by a space and the initial. If an author has published many papers, you can narrow your retrieval with Keywords by filling in both the Author and Keywords. Leave the Author box blank if you are searching only by Keywords.
- **Perform Your Search.** Click the <Perform Search> button to search in the database.

Sample Search: Basic Search using the subject "diabetes Mellitus." Once the subject has been input, click on the button, "Perform Search."

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Sample Results: Based on the above search, the results are shown below.

Results of your search: **limit (diabetes mellitus as keyword) to (full text available and yr=1990-2000)**
Citations displayed: **1-10** of **140**
Go to Record:

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1. Sweeney B. New **diabetes** outreach network model created. [Journal Article] *Michigan Nurse*, 73(7):16-7, 2000 Aug.
[Complete Reference](#) • [ASCII Full Text](#)

2. Anonymous. Most Mexican Americans prefer conventional medical care for their **diabetes** rather than alternative and traditional treatments. [Journal Article] *Research Activities*, (238):7, 2000 Jun.
[Complete Reference](#) • [ASCII Full Text](#)

3. Dinsdale P. Specialist **diabetes** nurses cut length of hospital stay. [Journal Article. Brief Item] *Nursing Standard*, 14(32):8, 2000 Apr 26-May 2.

Results of your search

If you wish to read your results, click on "Ovid Full Text." To print, save, e-mail, etc., click onto "Citation Manager," as shown below and click in the "Action field" as to how you would retrieve the article:

Citation Manager: Display, Print, Save, or Email Citations

Citations	Fields	Citation Format	Action
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