

# LexisNexis® Academic Research Guides

## Common News Assignments

### Use the Index to Research Topics:

As all news articles are indexed to highlight major topics, using the index to research a specific topic is a smart idea. This strategy below will help you use the index to narrow down your results list to only those articles that are most relevant to your search. Start on the Advanced Options section of the main page.

#### Search Strategy:

1. Click the Advanced Options Section
2. Click on the Look Up Index Terms link and a new window will pop up
3. Type a word that relates to your search. In the images below the a box on the upper right is set to SUBJECT.
4. Then the subject categories are displayed in a hierarchy. Environment & Natural Resources was checked
5. Click the red OK-Add to Search button to include this index term
6. Click Apply
7. Enter search terms and Click Search

The above steps filter your search to find articles tagged in the field of Environment and Natural Resources.



Academic & Library Solutions

Estelle M. Black Library's list of databases at <http://library.rvc.cc.il.us/databases.htm> includes Lexis Nexis Academic. This database has a large number of current news articles. By looking up index terms and selecting your field of study, news articles that are relevant to your topic can be found more quickly. Following the "advanced options" steps in LexisNexis Academic will help make search results more relevant.

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Useful when you need to narrow your search to something specific, like a legal citation, an author's name, or a word in the headline. For example: HEADLINE(Congress w/5 budget)

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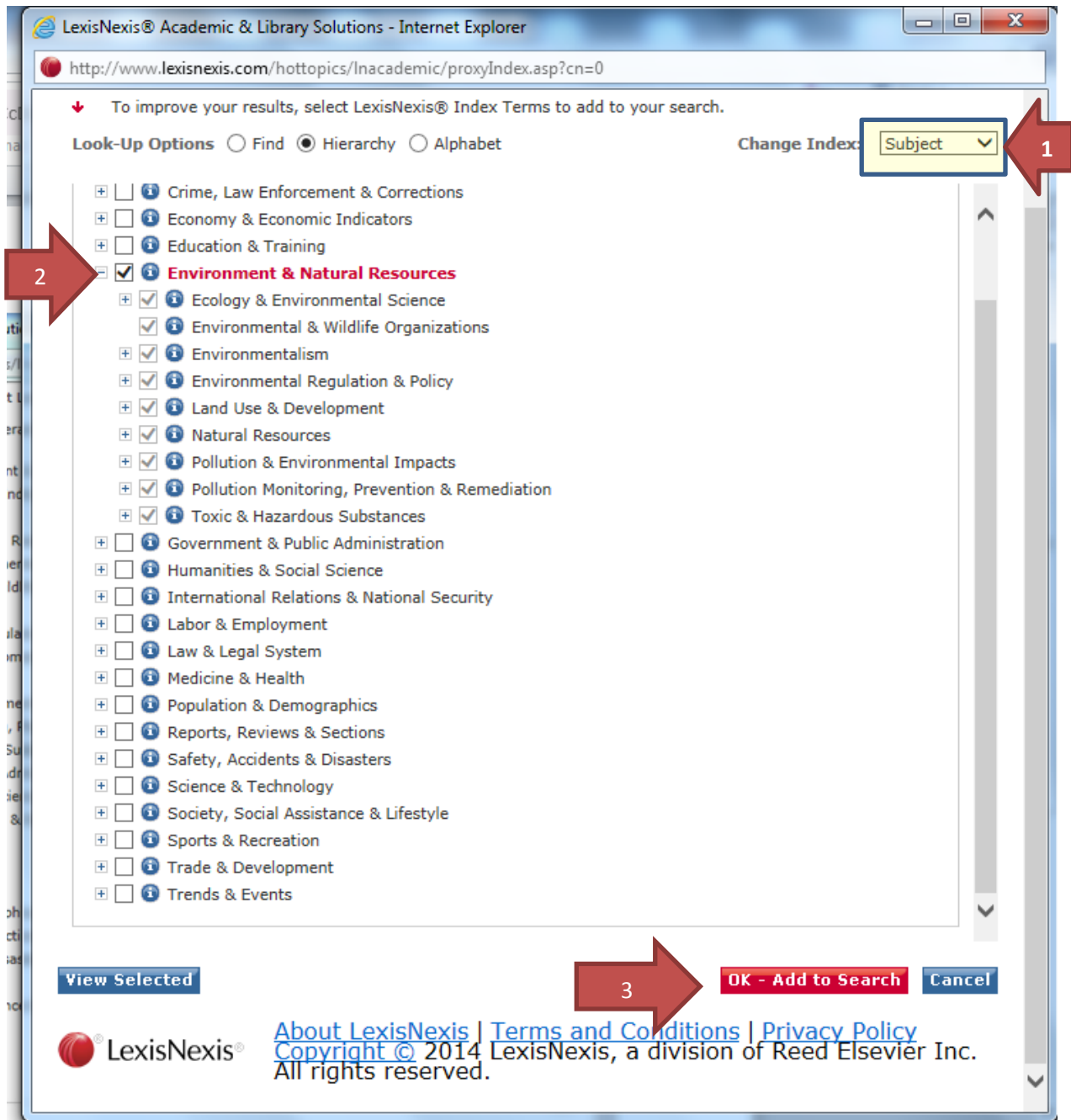
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- Next Steps
1. **Change index to subject**
  2. **Click box** next to “Environment & Earth Science”
  3. **Click “OK - Add to Search”**



Click 4. Apply


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☐ Relevancy: Major terms only

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<a href="#">Ebola Outbreak</a>	<a href="#">Ukraine</a>	<a href="#">Iraq</a>
<a href="#">Human Trafficking</a>	<a href="#">Microsoft Windows 10</a>	<a href="#">World Series</a>

7. View articles by clicking on Title of article (shown in blue text)

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**Results**

1. [Healthy fields and rivers are this farmer's life work](#)  
Star Tribune (Minneapolis, MN), January 30, 2013 Wednesday, NEWS; Pg. 1AA, 695 words (Paul)

2. [EDITORIAL: Stormwater runoff / Still a problem](#)  
The Press of Atlantic City (Pleasantville New Jersey), February 10, 2014 Monday, COMMENTARY; Pg. A1, 100 words (N.J.)

3. [New York: DEC Reminds New Yorkers Of State Law Restricting Use Of Lawn Fertilizers Containing Phosphorus](#)  
US Official News, July 8, 2014 Tuesday, 298 words

4. [End of fertilizer season](#)  
Sarasota Herald Tribune (Florida), June 6, 2012 Wednesday, A; ARCHIVES; Pg. A06, 533 words

5. [Farm runoff is another threat to Gulf of Mexico](#)  
Guelph Mercury (Ontario, Canada), August 14, 2010 Saturday, EDITORIAL; Pg. A7, 521 words

6. [Farm runoff is another threat to Gulf of Mexico](#)  
Guelph Mercury (Ontario, Canada), August 14, 2010 Saturday, EDITORIAL; Pg. A7, 521 words

7. [5 companies pay fines for bay pollution](#)  
St. Petersburg Times (Florida), February 26, 1992, Wednesday, City Edition, BRANDON TINSLEY

8. [A threat of a different color; Fertilizer runoff can also feed toxic blue-green algae](#)  
Sarasota Herald-Tribune (Florida), May 8, 2007 Tuesday, A SECTION; Pg. A10, 360 words

9. [While farming practices show signs of pollution, Gwynedd's waterways remain clean](#)