1. “Research Databases” lists all the databases available.
2. Another Access point for the Research Databases
3. A-Z periodical list will assist you in knowing which periodical/journals are available full text.
1. “RESEARCH DATABASES”

Huntington University offers access to 104 databases to our students and faculty. You can search for the databases in alphabetical order or you can click on the “All Subjects” box to access the drop down menu, click on Counseling. These will be your primary databases but you might want to look over others if you are researching in the area of Business, or Communication, or Education,... The databases for those disciplines could also be helpful to you.

“Research Databases” supplies the comprehensive list of databases that are available for your use through Huntington University RichLyn Library. This list includes databases that are not part of EBSCOhost and that can be equally of value to your research; read the information that gives you the scope and purpose of each database.
2. Academic Search Premier (EBSCOhost)

There is so much to be said about searching in EBSCOhost!

a) I rarely use the Search Options from this page. I can manipulate my searches more easily while in the results screen.
b) You have the capability of clicking on “Choose Databases” which in turn allows you to search several databases simultaneously.

To search other databases along with Academic Search Premier, click on Choose Databases.
Choose Databases

This is the list of EBSCOhost databases only. Remember, we have other databases that are not hosted by EBSCO that may also be very helpful in your research.

You can determine the scope and coverage of each database by hovering over the dialog box after each title. The Psych databases are extremely important to you but be aware that they focus on APA sources. Academic Search Premier carries several very credible non-APA journals. ATLA Religion Database... also carries a couple of good theologically based counseling journals.

Click on the box next to as many databases as you want to use and then click “OK” and you are ready to search.
I chose to search *Academic Search Premier*, *PsychArticles*, *PsychInfo*, and *SOCIndex and fulltext*, together. I entered the terms “Attachment” and “depression” and “Bowlby.” I entered the terms as keywords but as I get more informed on my subject matter I will get a better idea on which terms are “subject” terms.

Note that I got **149 results** with this keyword search. In this case the “keyword” function worked out well because I am focusing on Bowlby’s Attachment Theory and his name and the word depression showed up in the title of this article. I clicked on the “hyperlinked” title to get more information on this article and found that Bowlby and depression also show up in the abstract of the article and would not have shown up if you had limited your search to all subject searching.
I did the same search but chose “SU Subject Terms” for the search “attachment behavior” and got 88 results, these results are focused on the attachment behavior/theory aspect of your search and supplemented with your other descriptors as keywords.

When I am not sure about the language a database uses for describing my subject I start with a keyword (or “Select a Field (optional)” search. Keyword searches look for the word(s) you type in anywhere in the record, it could be title, author, abstract, anywhere in the text of the article, or even in the publisher’s name. Some databases have professional language that does not translate to other databases. For example, if you are researching whether some people use the “cell phone as a ‘crutch’” and you were searching in PsychInfo you will not find quality sources, even with a keyword search. PsychInfo and PsychArticles use *cellular* phones as a subject heading! Yes, it makes a difference when searching for good info; sometimes it just works better to search some of the databases individually.
When I completed a keyword search on the current subject I learned that the subject term for “Attachment theory” is “Attachment Behavior”

Take a couple of minutes to scroll down your screen. In the left column you will find a lot of helpful limiter, these will help you focus your search further. You will want “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals” for this research so click on that box, for some topics you might want to limit to date range but not for all topics so be discerning.

For help with other limiter you can click on the “Show More” link under the various Subject helps. Click on any phrases that would be helpful.

Other helps you should be aware of are the PDF Full Text icon. Click on that and your article will be available to you. This can be helpful if you are strapped for time and only need one more article for the paper that is due in 4 hours... not that you would do that but ... 😊 You could limit to all Full Text articles by clicking in the box next to that. HOWEVER IF YOU ARE TRULY A SERIOUS STUDENT you will not default to only Full Text. You are a graduate student and should only default to Full Text as an “emergency” measure.

If you find an article that is “just perfect” but you do not see the PDF Full Text icon please click on the “Request ILL” link. We can request this article for you (free of charge) from other libraries and forward the scanned attachment to you through your HUNTINGTON email.
A couple more helps for you:

I clicked on the “hyperlinked” title of the article that I would need to request on Interlibrary Loan (ILL) and came up with some good info.

There are so many other tips and tricks I could tell you but it would be much better if I could show you for your specific project so please do not hesitate to email me agray@huntington.edu and ask for an Adobe Connect session where we can talk and I can share my screen with you while you work on your own computer.
3. **A-Z Periodical List:**

If you would like to know if a particular journal title is full text in our databases use this tool.

You will then get a list of ALL the full text journals that have “counseling” in the title. When you choose one, click on the title and...

If you are looking for a specific journal type it in. I usually leave the Search type at “Starts with.” As is the case of this search, if you are looking for journals that relate to your topic and that are available Full Text in our databases you can drop the menu down to other search choices and type in your subject. You will get a long list but...

Then click Search
If the journal is full text in our databases, you will get this screen:

This screen shows that we have *Journal of Mental Health Counseling* in several databases. I would use the one from MasterFile Premier because full text goes from 1994 to present. Click on the tile to access the journal.
You can search within this title or if you have a specific date/citation you could click in to the date range and look for the article.

Note that this periodical is Peer Reviewed.
PLEASE NOTE: You will find that many of your journals are not represented as full text in our databases. If you find a citation in a bibliography and you want to access the article copy the ARTICLE title, go to “Access Our Catalog” from the RichLyn Library webpage www.huntington.edu/library type ti: (for title) paste in the article title and you will get information on how to access the article. If HU owns the title you can click on “View Now.” If we do not own the article you can click on the title and the information will be there to click on “Request Item Through Interlibrary Loan,” fill out the form and we will get the article for you and send it to your HUNTINGTON email address.

This guide is simply a general introduction on how to use the Huntington University RichLyn Library Resources. As always, do not hesitate to email me and ask for help, please.