In this short video, you will learn how to use the Citation Linker tool on the Sacred Heart University Library website.

Have you ever found a journal article that you needed to pay for to get the full-text? Don’t worry about charging it to your credit card! You can use the library’s Citation Linker tool to see if the SHU Library can provide you access instead. This tool can also be useful when tracking down articles you find in Works Cited lists or Bibliographies.

On the library’s homepage, select Citation Linker from the Search menu in the gray navigation bar.

The form has several fields that you can fill out depending on how much citation information you have. The form requires at least one of the following fields outlined in blue: Journal title, ISSN, DOI or PMID. All the other fields are optional.

Once you have filled out the citation information with at least one of the required fields, click Find it.
The Citation Linker will match the information you enter and display the complete citation information on the next page.

If the SHU Library does have access, you will see the Full-text Online button and the database name that has that particular article. Clicking the button will take you to the article you need.

You may also see a Browse Journal button. This option appears when we do have access to the requested article; however, the database may not link directly to the article. If you click the Browse Journal button, you will be taken to the journal’s page where you can navigate to your article by selecting the year and then volume and issue that the article appears in.

If the SHU Library does not have access to the article you searched for through Citation Linker, you have the option to request it through Interlibrary Loan at no additional cost to you. Just click on Request this item and login with your SHU Username and Password.

For further assistance with Citation Linker or any other questions, feel free to contact us at the library!