Journal Profiles

As you begin to think about submitting your research for publication, there are many resources that will help you build scholarly profiles of academic journals. Consulting multiple sources will clarify how particular titles within a given field relate to each another. Here are a few to get you started.

1. **Cabell’s Directory of Publishing Opportunities**
   These subject directories contain addresses, phones, e-mails and web sites for listed journals. Links to guidelines and submission information are also included. Use these volumes to determine acceptance rates, reviewing practices, intended audiences, and publisher information.
   Search the library catalog for Cabell’s to see a list of all directories.

   Ulrich’s covers all subjects and provides detailed and authoritative information for over 300,000 serial publications worldwide. Included information: content type (Academic/Scholarly); key features (Refereed/Peer-reviewed); abstracting & indexing sources; publisher; full text sources (online distributors); demographics (audience).
   Access this resource through the library catalog: [http://library.simmons.edu/record=b1546681~S0](http://library.simmons.edu/record=b1546681~S0) or from the list of A-Z E-resources.

3. **Journal Ranking Sources – Available on the Web**
   The Eigenfactor score is a combination of a journal’s 5-year impact factor plus a calculation that takes into account the ranking of the journals where an article has been cited.

4. **Directory of Open Access Journals**
   “The aim of the Directory of Open Access Journals is to increase the visibility and ease of use of open access scientific and scholarly journals thereby promoting their increased usage and impact. The Directory aims to be comprehensive and cover all open access scientific and scholarly journals that use a quality control system to guarantee the content.” No acceptance rate information is provided, but a link to journal sites with publisher information is available.

5. **Google Scholar Metrics**
   Google Scholar Metrics provides a way for authors to gauge the visibility and influence of recent articles in scholarly publications. Scholar Metrics summarize recent citations to help authors as they consider where to publish their new research.