Google Scholar – Basic Citation Searching using Google Scholar Citations

The author we are working on is Professor Brenda Yeoh S.A, Professor (Provost’s Chair), Department of Geography. There are up to three initials in her name.

1. Sign in using your existing Google account or Sign up to create a new account.

2. On Google Scholar page, click on My Citations.
3. Enter the Name you want your profile to have, in this case Brenda Yeoh. Click Next step. 

It is highly recommended that you enter your NUS email in the field for email verification (this can also be changed later). You will then be sent an email to the University email account you added for verification. Click on the link to verify and your profile will now be eligible for display in Google Scholar results. If you do not verify your account, your account can still be publicly viewed but may not appear in Google Scholar results.

Below is an example of a verified account appearing in Google Scholar search results:
4. Enter the author “Yeoh BSA”, click on **Search article groups** to look at articles grouped by authors identified by Google.

![Image of Google Scholar interface showing search results for Yeoh BSA]

**Note**: The order does not make a difference i.e. Yeoh SA and BSA Yeoh gives the same results. Google Scholar identifies “article groups” based on a statistical model - this does not always give you an exact match of Yeoh BSA. For example, the following citation was included in the article group for Yeoh BSA. The list is arranged according to descending order of citations. By default, all the articles are selected.

- **Global/globalizing cities.**
  - BS Yeoh
  - Progress in Human Geography 23 (4), 607

5. Click on “See all articles”, review articles listed then add selected articles.

![Image of Google Scholar interface showing article selection options]

**Article groups**

Select groups of articles that you have authored from the list below. You may need to select multiple groups if you have written articles under different names, with different groups of colleagues, or in different journals.

- **Brenda SA Yeoh**
  - Contesting space: power relations and the urban built environment in colonial Singapore
  - BSA Yeoh - 1996
  - Singapore: A developmental city state
  - M Penny, L Kong, BSA Yeoh - 1997

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In our case we are just going to select the Add all 244 articles option.

6. You can continue to search for article groups to see if there are any additional articles missed out by the article group under a different variant.

Note: Once you are done with the initial setup, you have the additional option of searching by individual articles as well as by article groups. Below we try searching for articles under Yeoh SA by typing Yeoh SA and clicking on Search articles.

Articles that have not yet been added to your profile will have an “Add article” button below it. Review the ones that are not added yet, and click on “Add article”.

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7. On the Profile Updates screen, it is advisable to select “Don’t automatically update my profile. Send me email to review and confirm updates”. Click on “Go to my profile”.

Note: For reasons of accuracy, it is usually better to review all updates rather than trust Google Scholar to identify articles.

8. At the subsequent page, you can still add, merge and delete records by clicking on the Actions drop-down menu.
To check for papers that need to be merged, sort the articles by clicking on “Title/Author” column header and then select titles to merge.

Select the best version.

Merged records will look like this, with asterisks (*) next to the times cited.

Click in to see details of the merged paper, notice the sum of citations of all variants may be more or equal to the time cited shown for the merged paper because one paper might have cited 2 or more variants of the papers you merged.
Google Scholar – Advanced Citation Searching using Publish or Perish

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1. Go to [http://www.harzing.com/pop.htm](http://www.harzing.com/pop.htm) to download and install the program.

   ![Image of Publish or Perish software]

2. Run the program and select **Author impact**.

3. Under author’s name enter "b yeoh" OR "bsa yeoh". Under **Exclude these names**, enter “B* yeoh” ”kcb yeoh” ”cb yeoh” ”pb yeoh” ”gb yeoh” ”hb yeoh” ”sb yeoh” ”tb yeoh” ”bkk yeoh” ”kb yeoh”. Click Lookup.
Note 1: Author has works mostly in the form of two main variants “BSA Yeoh” and “B Yeoh”. While you can use “B* Yeoh” to exclude authors with 2 initials starting with B (e.g. “BK Yeoh”), you cannot filter using “BS yeoh” (see The Publish or Perish Book Page 39) so you have to manually exclude each author name with 2 initials ending with B (e.g. “sb yeoh”)

Note 2: Actually this misses the 2 BS Yeoh works with quite a high citation count. One of them, the first with 77 cites seems to belong to her.

So the most exact search would be "B yeoh" OR "BSA yeoh" OR "BS yeoh", then excluding individually each individual B*, “B” variant.

4. You can now export the statistics as well as the results as csv or text.

For results only, one way to export to Excel is as follows:

- First check all the results you want to export to Excel.
- Then go to Copy. Select Copy Results for Excel with Header:

Lastly, open an Excel spreadsheet and paste the results into it.
Suggested Readings

1. Critiques of Google Scholar indexing


2. Critiques of Google Scholar Metrics & Google Citations


3. Manipulation of Google Scholar times cited
