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A. INTRODUCTION

GUIDE TO CHECK IMPACT FACTOR AND JOURNAL RANKING USING JOURNAL CITATION REPORTS (JCR)

There are 3 Citation Databases in Web of Science that index journal publications:

- ✚ Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-EXPANDED)
- ✚ Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI)
- ✚ Arts & Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI)

For journals indexed in SCI-EXPANDED and SSCI, please check Impact Factor and Journal Ranking using **Journal Citation Reports (JCR)**, a database subscribed by UM

NOTE: Journals indexed in **A&HCI ONLY** are **WITHOUT** Impact Factor

1. Access Library Website : <http://www.umlib.um.edu.my>
2. Login interaktif Library Portal: with your member/staff card number, start with X
3. Click Databases
4. Scroll down the list and choose Journal Citation Reports (JCR)
5. Click Journal Citation Reports (JCR)

1. <http://www.umlib.um.edu.my>

2. Input X..... number in your member/staff card here

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3. Click on Databases

Latest Databases	Subscribed Databases
7 title(s)	89 title(s)
1. SciFinder® Scholar (Web Version) First time user need to register using UM email	1. ABI/INFORM @ProQuest® CampusNet. For remote, use Username & Password below Full-text Active

41. [Islamic Finance Information Service \(IFIS\)](#)
CampusNet | Full-text | Active
[Details](#)

Add to myLibrary

42. [Journal Citation Reports \(JCR\)](#)
CampusNet | Abstract | Active
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43. [Journal of Chemical Education \(JCE\) Onlin](#)

4 & 5. Scroll down the list to Journal Citation Reports (JCR) (arranged in alphabetical order)

B. SEARCHING JCR BY SPECIFIC JOURNAL TITLE

JCR Database: (Journals with Impact Factor are listed)

Start searching

OPTION A. SEARCH FOR A SPECIFIC JOURNAL

1. Select the correct JCR edition and year (only 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011 are available in our database)

2. Select an option:

If you know the exact name of the journal, choose "Search for a specific journal"

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The screenshot shows the JCR search interface. On the left, under "Select a JCR edition and year:", there are two radio buttons: "JCR Science Edition" (selected) and "JCR Social Sciences Edition". Next to "JCR Science Edition" is a dropdown menu showing years from 2011 to 2006, with 2011 selected. Next to "JCR Social Sciences Edition" is a dropdown menu showing the year 2011. On the right, under "Select an option:", there are three radio buttons: "View a group of journals by" (selected), "Search for a specific journal", and "View all journals". The "View a group of journals by" option has a "Subject Category" dropdown menu next to it. A "SUBMIT" button is located at the bottom center of the form. Blue arrows point from the text boxes to the year dropdown, the "Search for a specific journal" radio button, and the "SUBMIT" button.

3. Click on "SUBMIT" button

Example : Choose 2011 JCR Science Edition
(Pls select the latest year in your own search)

1) Search by Full Journal Title / Abbr.
Journal Title / Title Word / ISSN

2) Type search term: BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

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Journal Search

1) Search by:	2) Type search term:
Full Journal Title	Enter words from journal title or ISSN (view list of full journal titles) brain and language
	SEARCH

Search Examples:

Full Journal Title: Enter JOURNAL OF CELLULAR PHYSIOLOGY
or JOURNAL OF CELL* ([more examples](#))

Abbreviated Journal Title: Enter J CELL PHYSIOL or J CELL* ([more examples](#))

Title Word: Enter CELLULAR or CELL* ([more examples](#))

ISSN: Enter 0021-9541 or other ISSN ([more examples](#))

3) Click on the “SEARCH” button and the searching process begins

Note: Inconsistency in indexing “and” in title of the journal

Search Result Displayed:

Journal: BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

Impact factor of this journal: 3.115

Mark	Journal Title	ISSN	Total Cites	Impact Factor	5-Year Impact Factor
<input type="checkbox"/>	BRAIN LANG	0093-934X	4852	3.115	3.342

[Cited Journal](#) [Citing Journal](#) [Source Data](#) [Journal Self Cites](#)

CITED JOURNAL DATA

CITING JOURNAL DATA

IMPACT FACTOR TREND

RELATED JOURNALS

Journal Information

Full Journal Title: BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

ISO Abbrev. Title: Brain Lang.

JCR Abbrev. Title: BRAIN LANG

ISSN: 0093-934X

Issues/Year: 14

Language: ENGLISH

Journal Country/Territory: UNITED STATES

Publisher: ACADEMIC PRESS INC ELSEVIER SCIENCE

Publisher Address: 525 B ST, STE 1900, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101-4495

Subject Categories: AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

SCOPE NOTE

VIEW JOURNAL SUMMARY LIST

VIEW CATEGORY DATA

NEUROSCIENCES

SCOPE NOTE

VIEW JOURNAL SUMMARY LIST

VIEW CATEGORY DATA

Journal Rank in Categories:

JOURNAL RANKING

4) Click "Journal Ranking" for details of ranking of the journal in categories

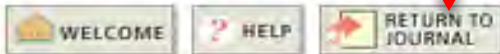
Details of Journal for “Rank in Category” Displayed

The journal “Brain and Language” ranked:

- Quartile 1 (Q1) in AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY category
- Quartile 2 (Q2) in NEUROSCIENCES category

5) Click ‘Return to Journal’, & scroll down the screen for further information.

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Rank in Category: BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

Journal Ranking ⓘ

For **2011**, the journal **BRAIN AND LANGUAGE** has an Impact Factor of **3.115**.

This table shows the ranking of this journal in its subject categories based on Impact Factor.

Category Name	Total Journals in Category	Journal Rank in Category	Quartile in Category
AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY	21	2	Q1
NEUROSCIENCES	244	104	Q2

Journal Impact Factor

The journal Impact Factor is the average number of times articles from the journal published in the past two years have been cited in the JCR year.

Journal Impact Factor ⓘ

Cites in 2011 to items published in: 2010 = 179	Number of items published in: 2010 = 75
2009 = 254	2009 = 64
Sum: 433	Sum: 139

Calculation: $\frac{\text{Cites to recent items}}{\text{Number of recent items}} = \frac{433}{139} = 3.115$

5-Year Journal Impact Factor ⓘ

Cites in {2011} to items published in: 2010 = 179	Number of items published in: 2010 = 75
2009 = 254	2009 = 64
2008 = 280	2008 = 84
2007 = 257	2007 = 66
2006 = 290	2006 = 88
Sum: 1260	Sum: 377

Calculation: $\frac{\text{Cites to recent items}}{\text{Number of recent items}} = \frac{1260}{377} = 3.342$

Journal Self-cites:

Journal Self Cites ⓘ

The tables show the contribution of the journal's self cites to its impact factor. This information is also represented in the [cited journal graph](#).

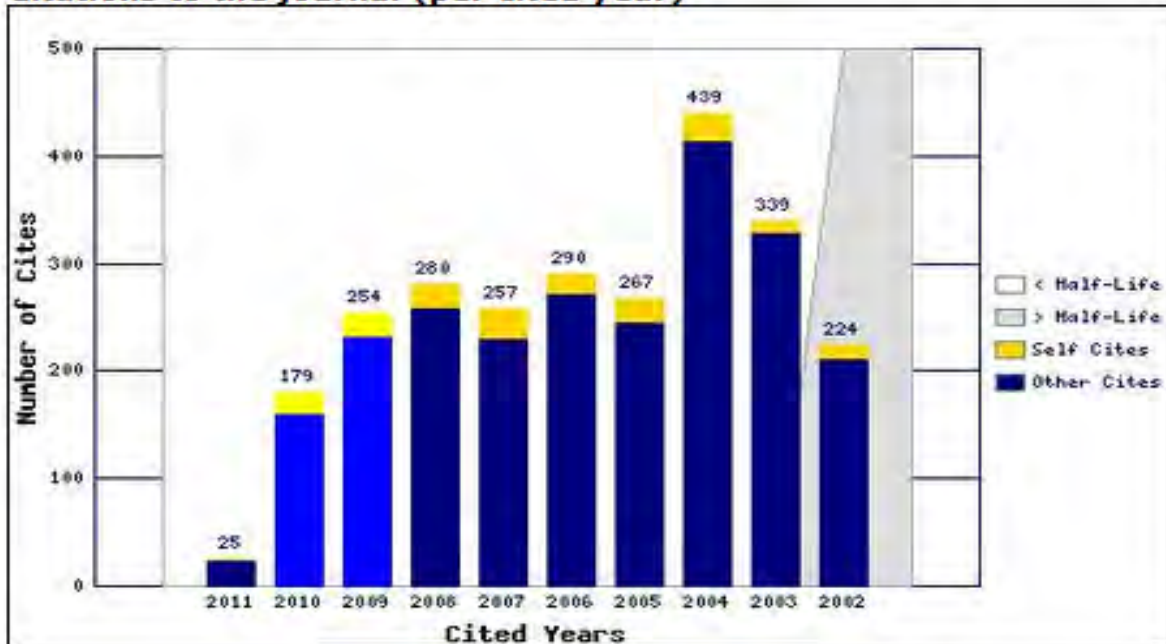
Total Cites	4852	Self Cites	304 (6% of 4852)
Cites to Years Used in Impact Factor Calculation	433	Self Cites to Years Used in Impact Factor Calculation	42 (9% of 433)
Impact Factor	3.115	Impact Factor without Self Cites	2.813

Cited Journal Graph ⓘ

[Click here for Cited Journal data table](#)

This graph shows the distribution by cited year of citations to items published in the journal BRAIN LANG.

Citations to the journal (per cited year)



- The white/grey division in
- The top (gold) portion of
- The bottom (blue) portion
- The two lighter columns in

C. SEARCHING JCR BY SUBJECT CATEGORY

OPTION B. SEARCH ACCORDING TO SUBJECT CATEGORY

1. Select the correct JCR edition and year (only 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011 are available in our database)

2. Select an option:

If you wish to search according to subject category, choose "View a group of journals by Subject category"

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Select a JCR edition and year:	Select an option:
<input type="radio"/> JCR Science Edition 2011 ▼	<input checked="" type="radio"/> View a group of journals by Subject Category ▼
<input checked="" type="radio"/> JCR Social Sciences Edition 2011 ▼	<input type="radio"/> Search for a specific journal
	<input type="radio"/> View all journals
	<input type="button" value="SUBMIT"/>

• 3. Click on "SUBMIT" button

Example : Choose Subject Category "AREA STUDIES"

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Subject Category Selection


4. Scroll down the subject category list to locate your field

1) Select one or more categories from the list.
[\(How to select more than one\)](#)

- ANTHROPOLOGY
- AREA STUDIES**
- BUSINESS
- BUSINESS, FINANCE
- COMMUNICATION
- CRIMINOLOGY & PENOLOGY
- CULTURAL STUDIES
- DEMOGRAPHY
- ECONOMICS

2) Select to view Journal data or aggregate Category data.

 **View Journal Data** - sort by:

 **View Category Data** - sort by:

SUBMIT

5. Sort by Impact Factor & submit

JOURNAL SUMMARY LIST DISPLAYED. The top 25% of the subject category (sort according to impact factor) is in Tier 1 or Q1 of this subject. This has to be calculated manually. For example, AREA STUDIES has 66 titles and the top 25% is around 16th / 17th title. And this is followed by Q2 which is the next 25% & etc.

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Journal Summary List

Journals from: **subject categories AREA STUDIES** [VIEW CATEGORY SUMMARY LIST](#)

Sorted by: **Impact Factor** [SORT AGAIN](#)

Journals 1 - 20 (of 66)

[MARK ALL](#) [UPDATE MARKED LIST](#)

« » [1 | 2 | 3 | 4] » »

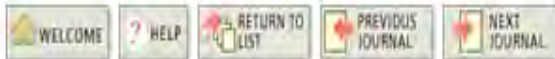
Ranking is based on your journal and sort selections.

Mark	Rank	Abbreviated Journal Title <i>(linked to journal information)</i>	ISSN	JCR Data i					
				Total Cites	Impact Factor	5-Year Impact Factor	Immediacy Index	Articles	Cited Half-life
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	EURASIAN GEOGR. ECON	1538-7216	399	1.688	1.414	1.381	42	3.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	POST-SOV AFF	1060-586X	139	1.655	1.068	0.067	15	4.8
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	AFR. AFFAIRS	0001-9909	661	1.544	1.746	0.519	27	7.8
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	PAC REV	0951-2748	272	1.034	0.992	0.065	31	6.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	CHINA QUART	0305-7410	887	1.026	1.277	0.103	39	>10.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	ECON DEV CULT CHANGE	0013-0079	1304	0.980	1.452	0.111	27	>10.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	CHINA J	1324-9347	218	0.852	1.293	0.167	18	8.7
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	J MOD AFR STUD	0022-278X	514	0.708	1.041	0.240	25	>10.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	9	MIDDLE EAST J	0026-3141	216	0.692	0.520			>10.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	10	J CONTEMP CHINA	1067-0564	257	0.677		0.100	50	5.8
<input type="checkbox"/>	11	AFRICA	0001-9720	493	0.604	0.769	0.034	29	>10.0
<input type="checkbox"/>	12	INT J MIDDLE E F STUD	0020-7438	361	0.593	0.644	0.200	25	>10.0

6. As an example to find out which tier a journal belongs to : Select any title such as "JOURNAL OF CONTEMPARY CHINA"

Details of the Journal Displayed

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Journal: Journal of Contemporary China

Mark	Journal Title	ISSN	Total Cites	Impact Factor	5-Year Impact Factor	Immediacy I
	J CONTEMP CHINA	1067-0564	257	0.677		0.100

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Journal Information

Full Journal Title: Journal of Contemporary China

ISO Abbrev. Title: J. Contemp. China

JCR Abbrev. Title: J CONTEMP CHINA

ISSN: 1067-0564

Issues/Year: 5

Language: ENGLISH

Journal Country/Territory: ENGLAND

Publisher: ROUTLEDGE JOURNALS, TAYLOR & FRANCIS LTD

Publisher Address: 4 PARK SQUARE, MILTON PARK, ABINGDON OX14 4RN, OXFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND

Subject Categories: AREA STUDIES

[SCOPE NOTE](#)

[VIEW JOURNAL SUMMARY LIST](#)

[VIEW CATEGORY DATA](#)

Journal Rank in Categories: [JOURNAL RANKING](#)



7) Click "Journal Ranking" for details of journal rank in categories

Details of Journal for “Rank in Category” Displayed

“Journal of Contemporary China” ranked:
i. Quartile 1 (Q1) in AREA STUDIES category

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Rank in Category: Journal of Contemporary China

Journal Ranking ⓘ

For **2011**, the journal **Journal of Contemporary China** has an Impact Factor of **0.677**.
This table shows the ranking of this journal in its subject categories based on Impact Factor.

Category Name	Total Journals in Category	Journal Rank in Category	Quartile in Category
AREA STUDIES	66	10	Q1

D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

POINTS TO PONDER PRIOR SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPT

- 1) Please verify the status of the journal whether it is indexed in Web of Science

MASTER JOURNAL LIST:

<http://ip-science.thomsonreuters.com/mjl/>

- 2) Please check 'BEALL'S LIST'

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<http://scholarlyoa.com/publishers/>

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