Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context is a part of Gales family of In Context knowledge portals. It is an excellent resource that covers current social issues and a great place to start your research on a topic for an argumentative or persuasive paper or speech and explore issues from all perspectives. It includes full-text magazines, academic journals, news, primary source documents, statistics, images, videos, audio and links to websites organized into a user-friendly portal experience.

Let’s get started!
How to Access Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context

You can access Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context Database from the Rio Hondo College Library web page http://library.riohondo.edu

Click on ONLINE DATABASES.

You can access the database from on-campus and off-campus. To access it from on-campus, from ONLINE DATABASES page click on Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context under the DATABASES tab.
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To access online databases from off-campus, please go through AccessRio.

Click on the Library tab and then go to the Library Online Databases section.

Select from the databases list “Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context”
How to Search Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context

The main search page has a **search box in the right corner**. In the middle of the page you can see current topics with images that you can scroll through. Click on **View More** and get additional information on the topic of interest. There is a **Featured Video** section on the right. If you scroll down, you will see a section **Featured News** to keep up to date with news from *New York Times, USA Today and Newsweek*. 
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Topics are classified into eight broad categories such as “Business and Economics”, “Health and Medicine”, “National Debate Topic”, etc.

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Let’s check one of the topics by clicking on “view all”. You will see several issues listed related to this topic. For example, if you click on National Debate Topic—View All, you will see the following issues listed:
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As an example of **how to focus and refine** your topic, let’s choose “Renewable Energy”. In the search box type “renewable energy” and click on **search button**.

On the left side under the category “Featured Viewpoints” you will see essays that provide different viewpoints of view on the issue (pro and con).
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In the right column under “Viewpoints” there are 188 items listed. We need to refine our search.

There are different ways to limit your search. On the left navigation bar you will see different types of resources such as videos, magazines, images, websites, etc.
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You can either look at specific **types of resources** or **limit by subject**. For example, if you are looking for “climate change”, you can click on this category. There are 35 articles available.

**Limit Search by**

- **Subjects:**
  - Renewable energy (169)
  - Energy policy (85)
  - Global warming (42)
  - Wind power (36)
  - Climate change (35)

**Document Types:**
- Viewpoint essay (138)

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*Clean Coal Will Be the Energy of the Future*

**Coal**, 2011
National Energy Technology Laboratory. “Clean Coal Demonstration and Deployment: A Vital Step on the Path to a Cleaner Energy Future.” Copyright © 2011 U.S. Department of Energy. All rights reserved. Reproduced by permission.

*Liquid Coal Is Not a Feasible Alternative to Oil*

**Coal**, 2011
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Click on one of the articles. You will see that all items are available in full-text.
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If you have difficulties identifying issues, click on the issue tab on the navigation bar and it will list all hot issues.
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Let’s select Afgan War from the list. This takes us to a portal page. A portal page provides access to selected resources on the topic and includes: featured viewpoints, viewpoints, academic journals, statistics, primary sources, news, reference, magazines, websites, interactive map, videos, images, audio and related topics.

Featured viewpoints are selected by the editors. Under viewpoints you will find pro/con issues.
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You can view maps for some of the topics.
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Under **Resources** you will find product training video tutorials, search tips and other tools useful tools.
How to search Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context: Advanced Search

**Advanced search** offers many more options than Basic search. You can search by:
- Keyword
- By document title
- By publication title

You can restrict your search to full-text or scholarly publications. You can also limit your search by date and by document type. There are many document types available. You can also limit your search by content type and by content level. On the college level choose Advanced for content level.
How to search Gale Opposing Viewpoints in Context: Advanced Search

Let’s do a search on the topic “illegal immigrants in California”. Our main concepts are “illegal immigrants” and California. Combine these concepts into a search box with AND operator and click on search.

You will see that results are categorized by type on the left panel.
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If you are looking for academic journals, select the link from the list and click on the document title to get the full-text of this document. You will see that the search terms are we entered are highlighted in red. You will also see a table of contents for the article on the right. Scroll down and you will see a list of references.
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You can **download, print, e-mail, print or share this article.** You can also get help with **citing this reference.**

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