ONLINE LIBRARY – QUICK START

Go to

EGCC Website (egcc.edu) > Students > Library

Type your search into the search box – click **Search**

OFF CAMPUS LIBRARY ACCESS

Once you have entered your search material and clicked on the "Search" button, you will be prompted to enter your EGCC Library username and password
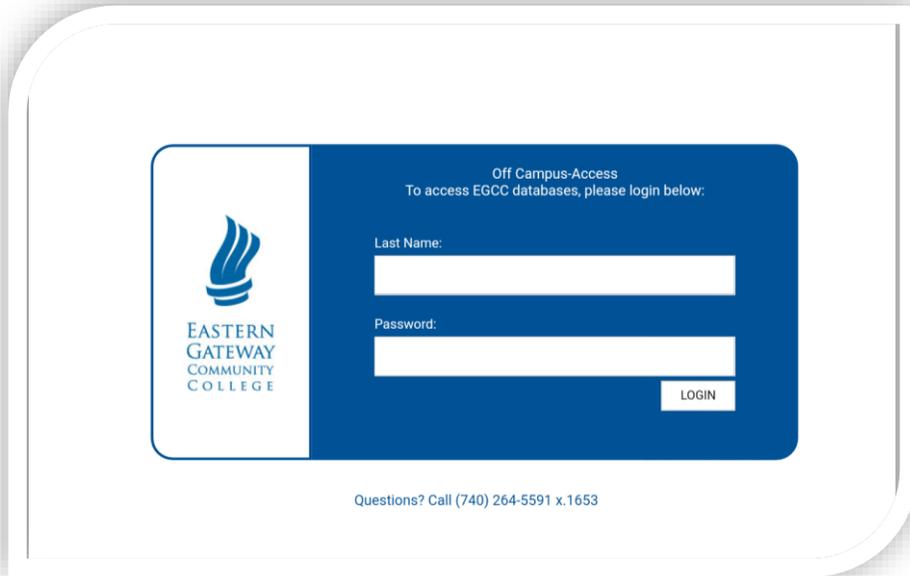
USER NAME & PASSWORD INFORMATION FOR EGCC LIBRARY

User name (last name):

   Taylor

Enter your password in following format (first initial capped, last name with first letter capped, last four digits of your STUDENT ID#):

   JTaylor1234

(EXAMPLE for a student named Jane Taylor with STUDENT ID# of xxx-xx-1234)
***BOTH ARE CASE SENSITIVE!***
***DO NOT USE SOCIAL SECURITY #**

If you still have difficulty logging in, please email **libhelp@egcc.edu**

It's that easy. You are now searching all the resources available to you through the EGCC library and through the state **OhioLINK** library consortium.

Your search can bring back many, many results. Included are books, ebooks, periodical & magazine articles, and audiovisual materials. Usually there are too many results for you to look at, sometimes millions!

Screen from a search for "Silicon Valley":
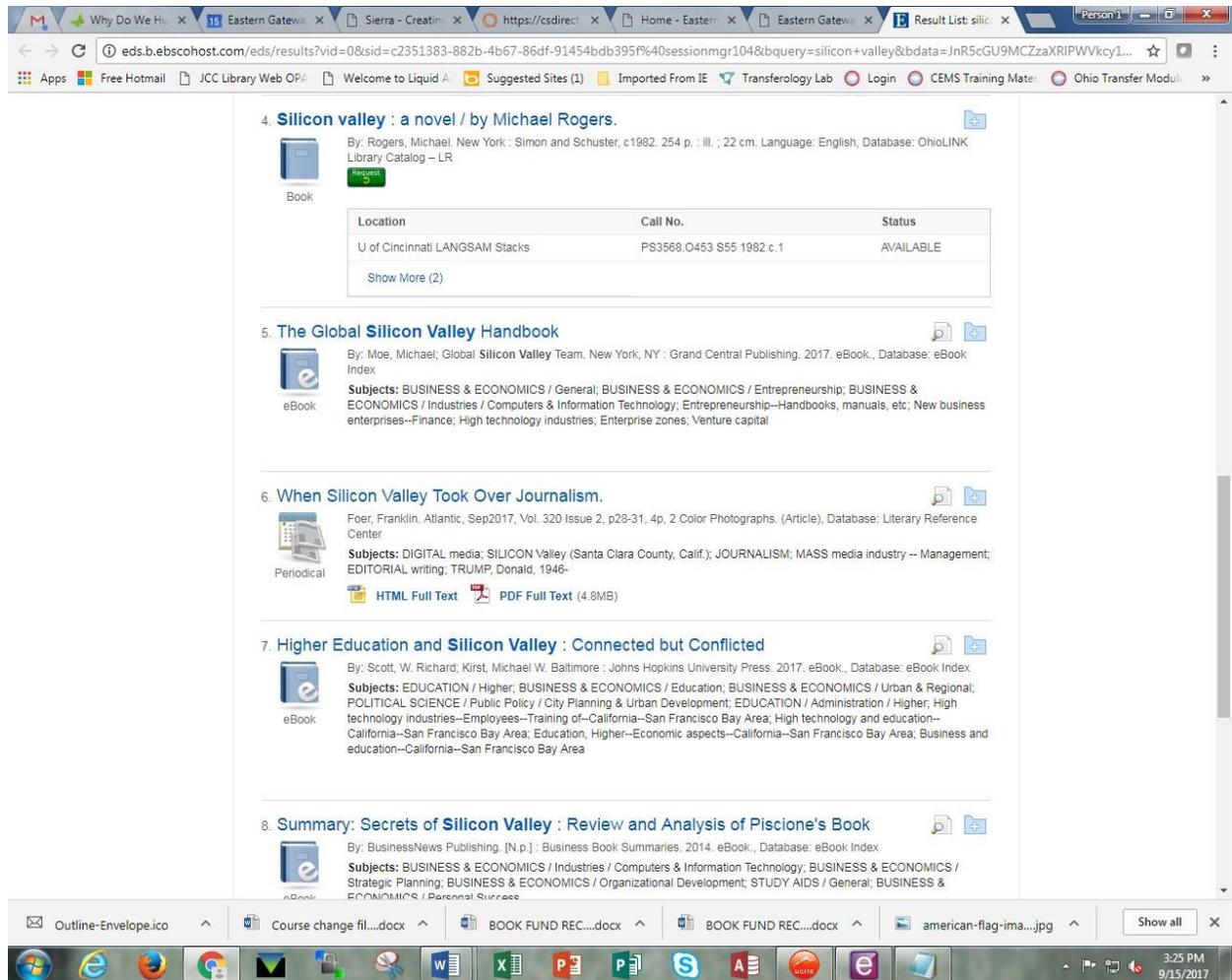
e-books

EGCC does not subscribe to all of the e-books that you may discover. If we do subscribe to a particular title, you will be able to access it. Click on the appropriate link to be redirected to the e-book.

e-books generally are not downloadable to Kindle or Nook readers; they are used on a personal computer.

Periodical & magazine articles

When you see articles that have **PDF Full Text** or **HTML Full Text**, those links are to articles in the EBSCO databases and will **always** retrieve full text for you. (Click here for directions in using EBSCO databases.)

When you see **Full Text Finder**, you may or **may not** find the full text for an article title.

When you **do** use **Full Text Finder**, it retrieves articles from many different sources. They are from different vendors who each provide access to their articles in a unique fashion.

Unfortunately, **there is no way to predict** which vendor is providing access**, so there is no uniform set of instructions for accessing Full Text Finder articles.** You will have to read carefully and follow the directions when accessing **Full Text Finder** articles.

Here are some sample searches to show you what can happen when you click on two different **Full Text Finder** links.

Full Text Finder example A:

Full Text Finder example B:

You have to look around a little, but the link to the article is on the upper left.

It differs greatly from the first example - there is no standard set of instructions that will work every time...

If you clicked on the **PlumX Metrics** (that cute little thing with the five arms!) - it tracks the statistics about how much this article is being used – no links to the article are available.   So **avoid this if you want the full-text.**

EGCC does not subscribe to everything that is available in **OhioLINK.** The EGCC library has access to what constitutes a typical undergraduate collection. Its databases

are of broad and general interest, many of which contain technical information. It does not subscribe to specialized databases of interest to graduate students.