This month we’re looking at two databases the library recently subscribed to that are made available through Elsevier. These databases can be used to analyze metrics related to your scholarly impact as well as locate potential collaborators and funding sources.

**Scopus**

Scopus indexes citations of journal articles, conference papers, and books in the sciences, medicine, social sciences, arts, and humanities. In addition to locating studies on your topic of interest, Scopus provides analytical tools to track, evaluate, and visualize research. This in turn can assist with identifying emerging trends, locate potential collaborators, provide additional support for funding opportunities, and express the value of your research to Virginia Tech.

Here are a few resources to learn more on how to use Scopus:

- [Scopus training videos](#)
- [Scopus webinars (recorded and upcoming)](#)
- [Quick reference guide PDF](#)

You can also create an account within Scopus to create personalized functions to customize the look and functionality based on the features you find most useful. You can also create an author profile, compare journals, analyze citation metrics, and set up search alerts.

[Click here for additional Scopus tutorials](#)

**Funding Institutional**

Formerly known as SciVal Funding, this database is designed to locate funding opportunities in a timely manner from more than 11,000 funding bodies and over 24,000 active opportunities. It also provides data to help you select opportunities that are the best fit and tailor proposals based on past success. Additionally, you can track award trends and find potential collaborators to increase your competitiveness in grant applications.

Searches can be narrowed down by location, special interest (limited submission, amount greater than $1M, deadline within three months, multidisciplinary, or foundation or private sponsor) and/or by subject area. It also includes information and insights into research that has previously been funded in your area of interest.

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