To access the library catalog, we'll start at the library's website. The catalog can be found in the Search for menu. Click on Library Catalog.
The default search is a basic keyword search. If you know the title or author of the item you are looking for, you can use the drop down menu to narrow your search by Author, Title, Subject, Series, or Periodical Title. We’ll stick with the default option, words or phrase, and do a search for “hiking.” Click on Search.

Slide 2
Our search produced 13 hits. The records are listed in chronological order. Let's look at Record #4, The hikers guide to the Hawaiian Islands. Click the Details button to view this record.

Slide 3
The Item Information tab provides basic information about the book. Here we can find the item’s call number. To look at more item information, we can click on the Catalog Record tab.
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This tab provides basic information about the book, including applied subject headings. These links can be used like a thesaurus to find related materials. Click on Hiking-Hawaii-Guidebooks to view related items.

Slide 5
The results page lists 2 items with the shared subject heading of Hiking-Hawaii-Guidebooks. This simple strategy shows how you can easily focus your search by using subject headings.

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This concludes the Finding Books tutorial. Please view our Searching Strategies tutorial for more tips on searching, and our Plagiarism and Citations tutorial for information on citing your sources. If you need any additional assistance, please contact the library at 808.739.4660 or library@chaminade.edu.

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