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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)

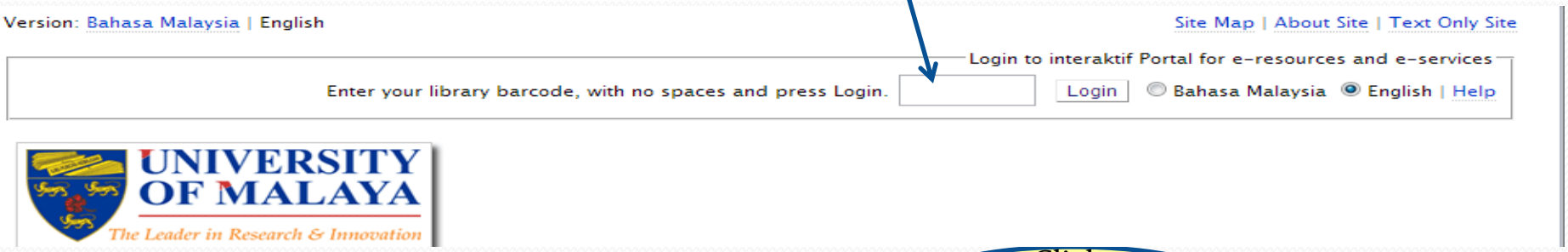
For journals indexed in SCI-EXPANDED and SSCI, please check Impact Factor and Journal Ranking using **Journal Citation Reports (JCR), a database subscribed by UM**

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

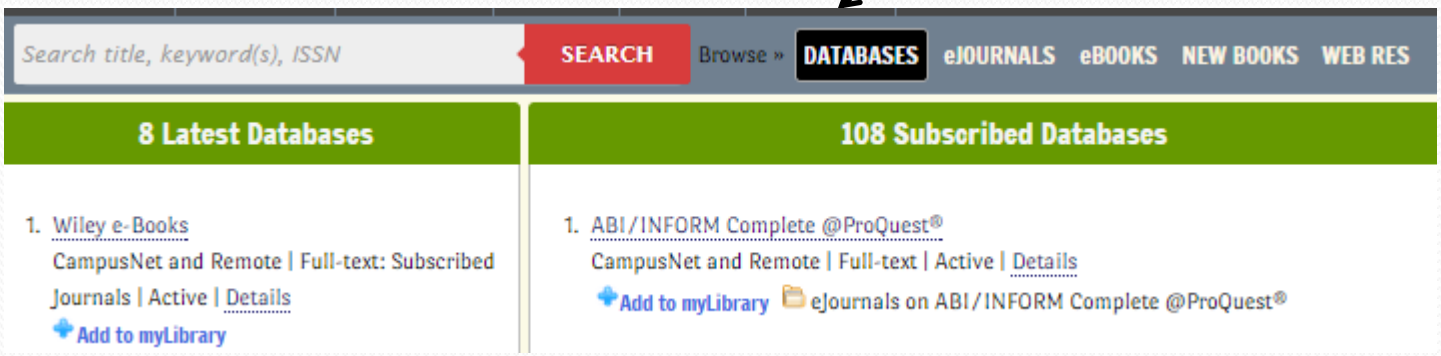
1. Access Library Website : http://www.umlib.um.edu.my
2. Login interaktif Library Portal: with your member/staff card number, start with X ……..
3. Click Databases
4. Scroll down the list and choose Incites Journal Citation Reports (JCR)
5. Click Journal Citation Reports (JCR)

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

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



3. Click on Databases



4 & 5. Scroll down the list to Incites Journal Citation Reports (Incites JCR) (arranged in alphabetically order)
[You may access via Web of Science database too]

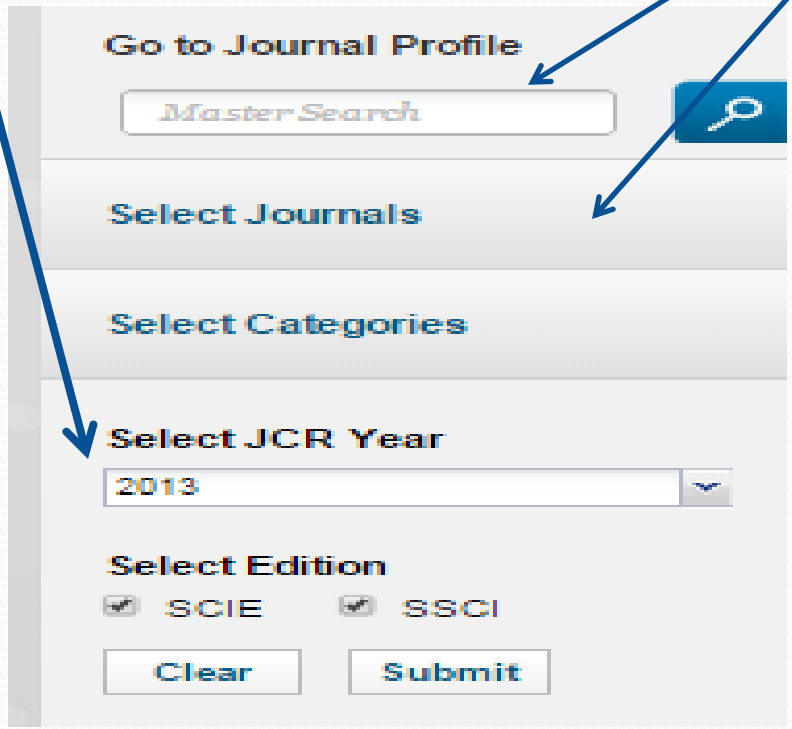
B. SEARCHING JCR BY SPECIFIC JOURNAL TITLE

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

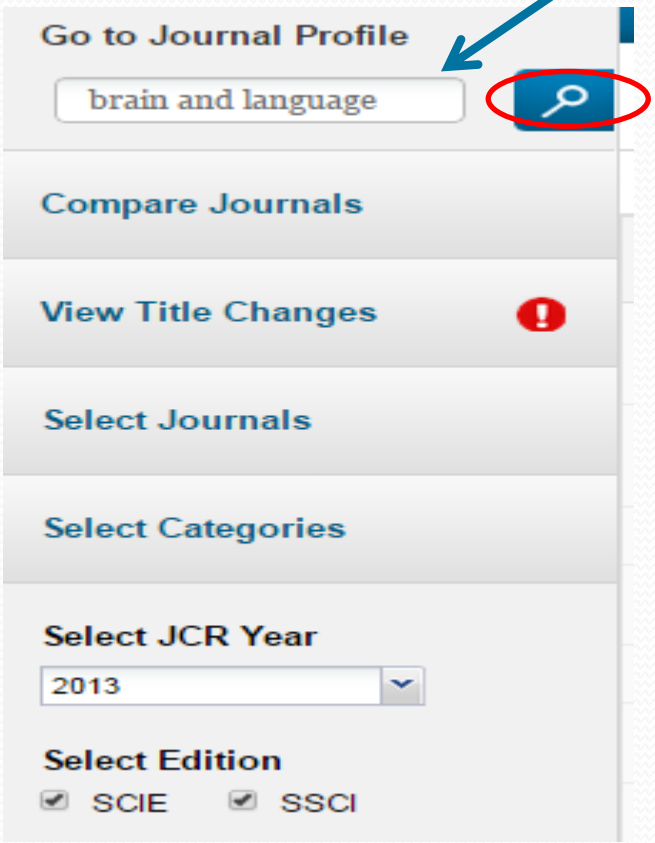
2. Select an option:
If you know the exact name of the journal, choose “Go to Journal Profile” OR “Select Journals”



Example : Choose 2013 JCR Science Edition
(Pls select the latest year in your own search)

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

2) Type search term: BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

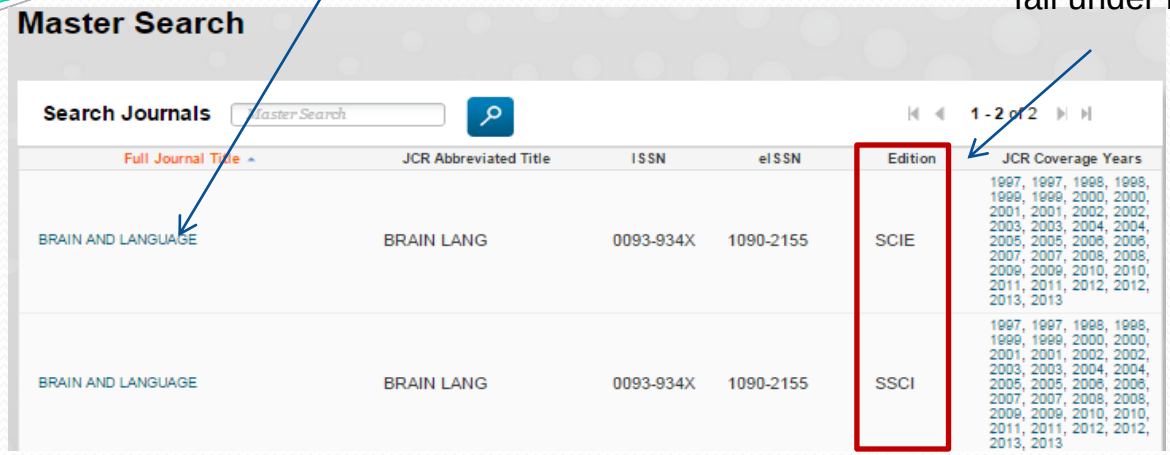


3) Click “Enter” or Click on the “Search” button. The searching process begins

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

4) Search Result Displayed. Click “Full Journal Title” – linked to journal information

2 results displayed. The journal fall under both editions



Master Search

Search Journals Master Search 1 - 2 of 2

Full Journal Title	JCR Abbreviated Title	ISSN	eISSN	Edition	JCR Coverage Years
BRAIN AND LANGUAGE	BRAIN LANG	0093-934X	1090-2155	SCIE	1997, 1997, 1998, 1998, 1999, 1999, 2000, 2000, 2001, 2001, 2002, 2002, 2003, 2003, 2004, 2004, 2005, 2005, 2006, 2006, 2007, 2007, 2008, 2008, 2009, 2009, 2010, 2010, 2011, 2011, 2012, 2012, 2013, 2013
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BRAIN AND LANGUAGE

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USA

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Titles
ISO: Brain Lang.
JCR Abbrev: BRAIN LANG

Categories
AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY - SCIE;
NEUROSCIENCES - SCIE;

Languages
ENGLISH

14 Issues/Year;

Impact factor of this journal (2013): 3.309. Click on the respective number for details of calculation.

Key Indicators

Year	Total Cites Graph	Journal Impact Factor Graph	Impact Factor Without Journal Self Cites Graph	5 Year Impact Factor Graph	Immediacy Index Graph	Citable Items Graph	Cited Half-Life Graph	Citing Half-Life Graph	Eigenfactor Score Graph	Article Influence Score Graph
2013	5,920	3.309	2.904	3.725	0.803	147	>10.0	9.2	0.00855	1.249
2012	5,351	3.386	3.131	3.841	0.619	118	9.8	9.4	0.00899	1.434
2011	4,852	3.115	2.812	3.342	0.357	70	9.4	8.7	0.00839	1.212

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 2013 to items published in:	2012 = 337		Number of items published in:	2012 = 118	
	2011 = 285			2011 = 70	
	Sum: 622			Sum: 188	
Calculation: Cites to recent items	622	= **3.309**			
Number of recent items	188				

5-Year Journal Impact Factor ⓘ

Cites in {2013} to items published in:	2012 = 337		Number of items published in:	2012 = 118	
	2011 = 285			2011 = 70	
	2010 = 329			2010 = 75	
	2009 = 283			2009 = 64	
	2008 = 297			2008 = 84	
	Sum: 1531			Sum: 411	
Calculation: Cites to recent items	1531	= **3.725**			
Number of recent items	411				

Click on 2.904 in Key Indicators table, details of Impact Factor without Journal Self-cites displayed:

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	5920	**Self Cites**	431 (7% of 5920)
Cites to Years Used in Impact Factor Calculation	622	**Self Cites to Years Used in Impact Factor Calculation**	76 (12% of 622)
Impact Factor	3.309	**Impact Factor without Self Cites**	2.904

Source Data

Rank

Cited Journal Data

Citing Journal Data

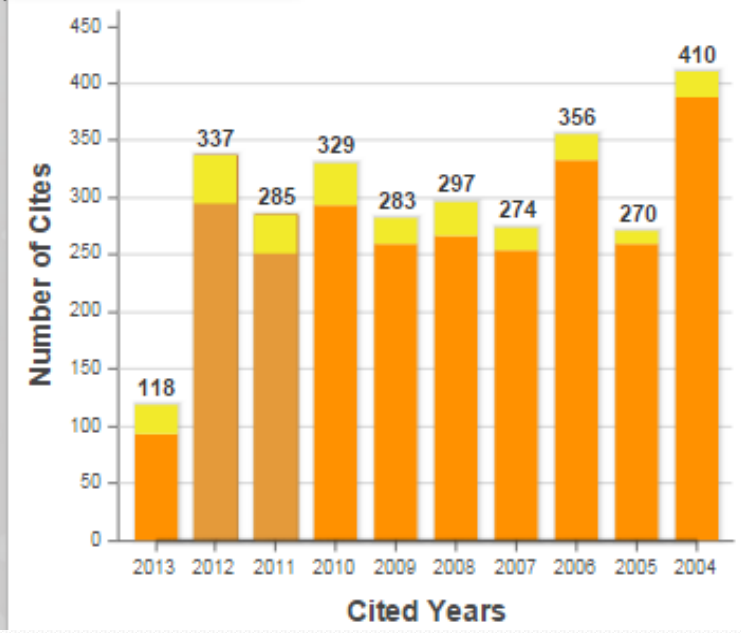
Box Plot

Journal Relationships

Cited Half-Life Data

Cited Year	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
#Cites from 2013	118	337	285	329	283	297	274	35
Cumulative %	1.99	7.69	12.50	18.06	22.84	27.85	32.48	38.5

Cited Journal Graph



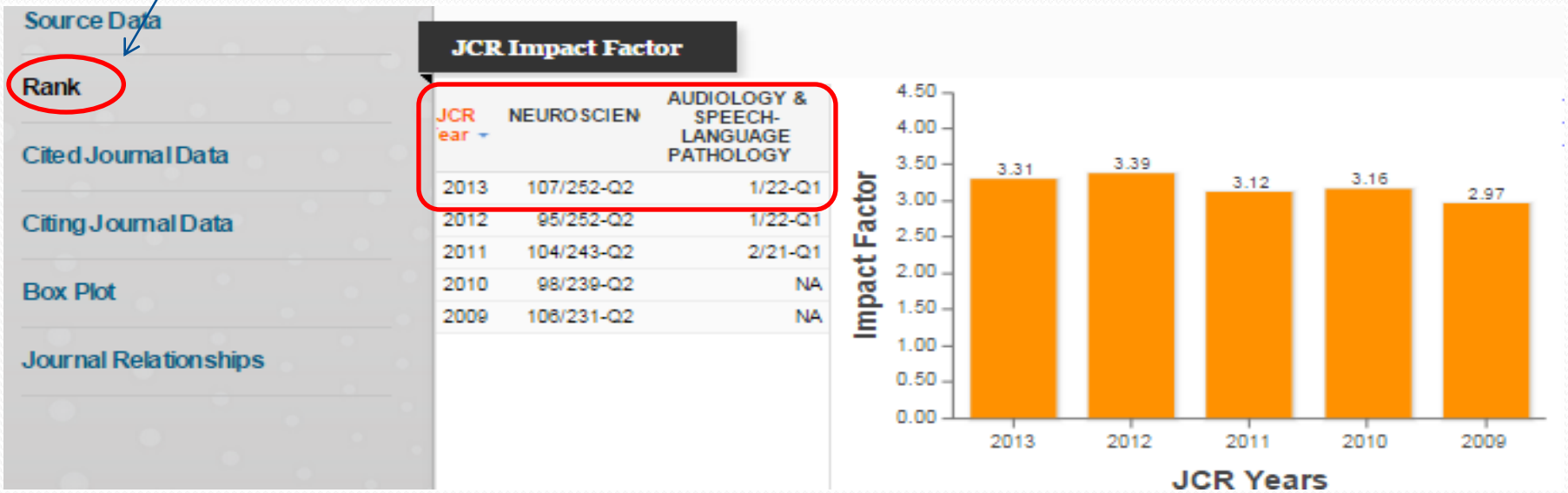
CITED JOURNAL GRAPH

The Cited Journal Graph shows the distribution by cited year of citations to articles published in journals in the Journal in the JCR year.

The white/grey division indicates the cited half-life (if < 10.0). Half of the cited articles were published more recently than the cited half-life.

The two light-orange columns indicate citations used to calculate the Impact Factor (always the 2nd and 3rd columns).

5) Scroll down the screen, click ‘Rank’ for journal rank in category



The journal “Brain and Language” ranked:

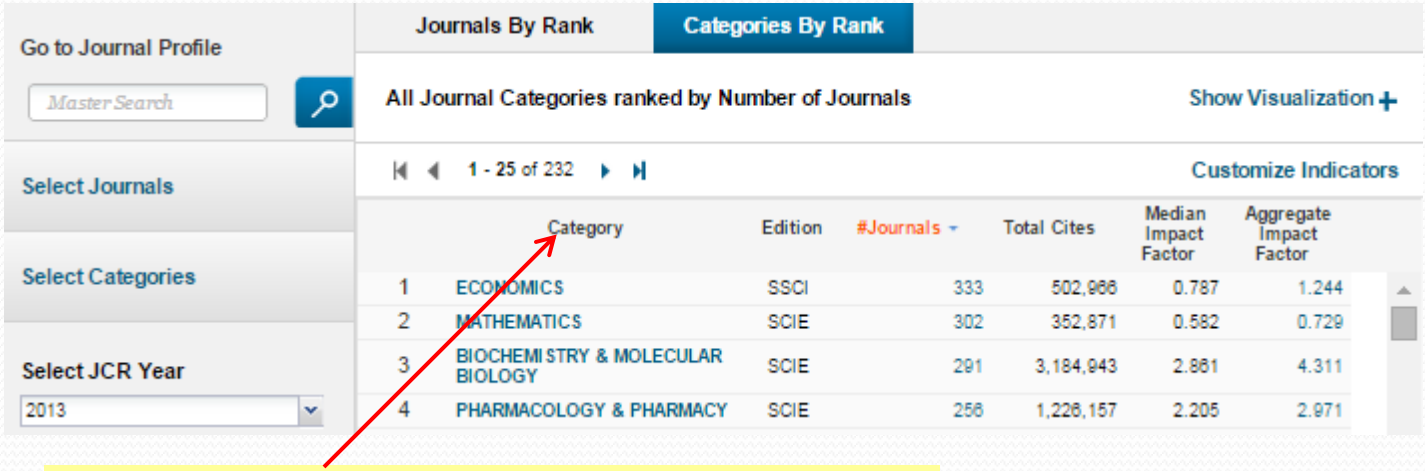
i. Quartile 1 (Q1) in AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY category

ii. Quartile 2 (Q2) in NEUROSCIENCES category

C. SEARCHING JCR BY SUBJECT CATEGORY

OPTION B. SEARCH ACCORDING TO SUBJECT CATEGORY

1. Select JCR Year (by default is the most current year)



	Category	Edition	#Journals	Total Cites	Median Impact Factor	Aggregate Impact Factor
1	ECONOMICS	SSCI	333	502,966	0.787	1.244
2	MATHEMATICS	SCIE	302	352,871	0.582	0.729
3	BIOCHEMISTRY & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY	SCIE	291	3,184,943	2.861	4.311
4	PHARMACOLOGY & PHARMACY	SCIE	256	1,226,157	2.205	2.971

2. Click on “Category”, list will be sorted accordingly

	Category	Edition	#Journals	Total Cites	Impact Factor	Impact Factor
1	ACOUSTICS	SCIE	30	117,073	1.107	1.840
2	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY	SCIE	17	12,898	0.707	0.992
3	AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING	SCIE	12	94,309	1.159	3.391
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5	AGRICULTURE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY	SCIE	56	148,844	0.649	1.564
6	AGRONOMY	SCIE	79	195,496	0.920	1.615
7	ALLERGY	SCIE	21	91,956	2.642	4.259
8	ANATOMY & MORPHOLOGY	SCIE	20	52,086	1.431	1.591
9	ANDROLOGY	SCIE	7	10,958	1.694	1.998
10	ANESTHESIOLOGY	SCIE	29	140,665	2.120	2.766
11	ANTHROPOLOGY	SSCI	82	76,880	0.663	1.334
12	AREA STUDIES	SSCI	64	17,334	0.341	0.430
13	ASTRONOMY & ASTROPHYSICS	SCIE	59	781,885	1.676	4.462

Example : Choose Subject Category “AREA STUDIES”

3. Scroll down the subject category list to locate the field

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4. Click on “#Journals” of the respective subject (number 64) to retrieve all journals

Journals in AREA STUDIES

Go to Journal Profile

Master Search

Compare Journals

View Title Changes

Select Journals

Select Categories

Select JCR Year

2013

Select Edition

SCIE SSCI

Category Schema

Web of Science

JIF Quartile

Q1 Q3

Q2 Q4

Journals By Rank | Categories By Rank

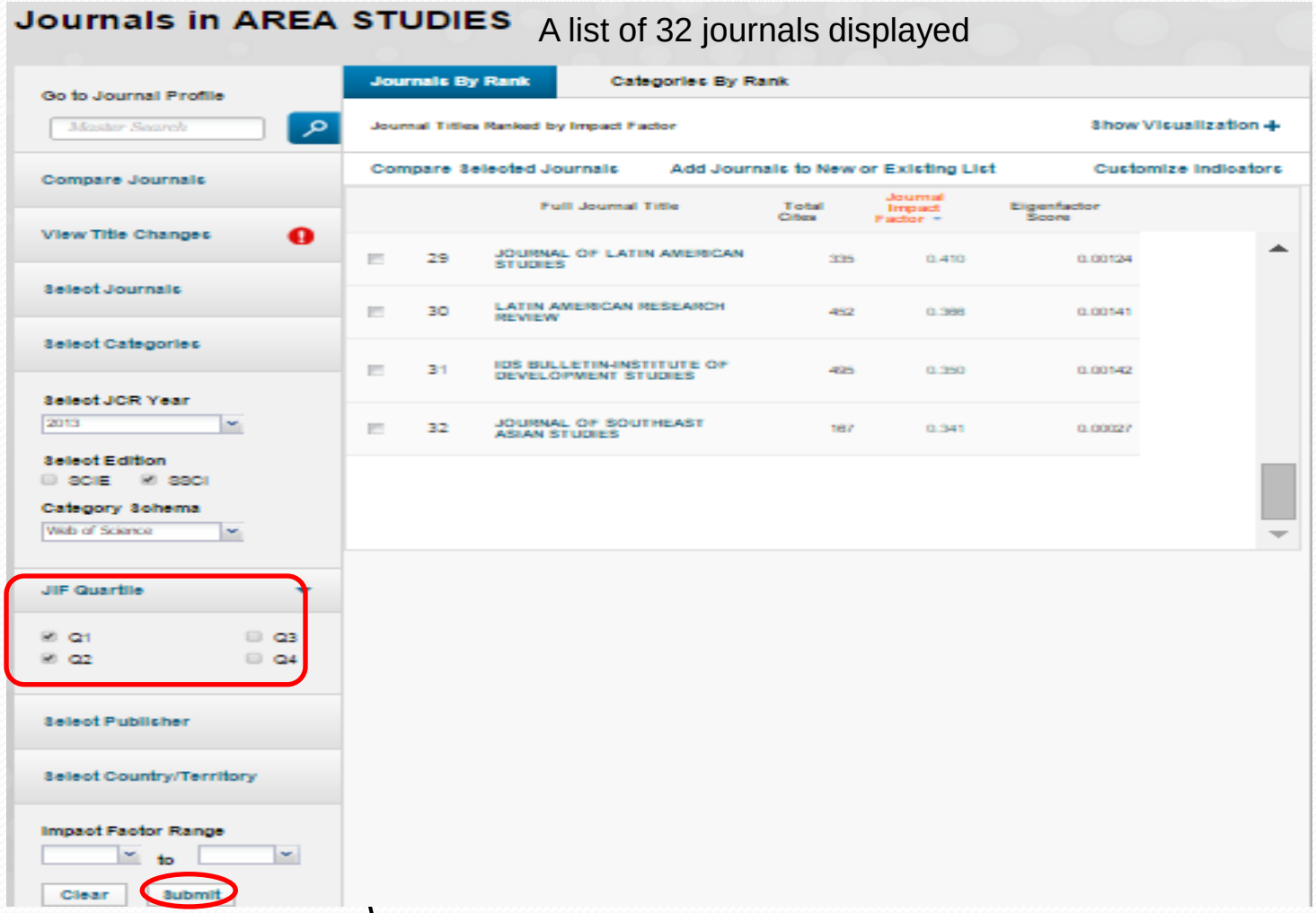
Journal Titles Ranked by Impact Factor

Show Visualization +

Compare Selected Journals | Add Journals to New or Existing List | Customize Indicators

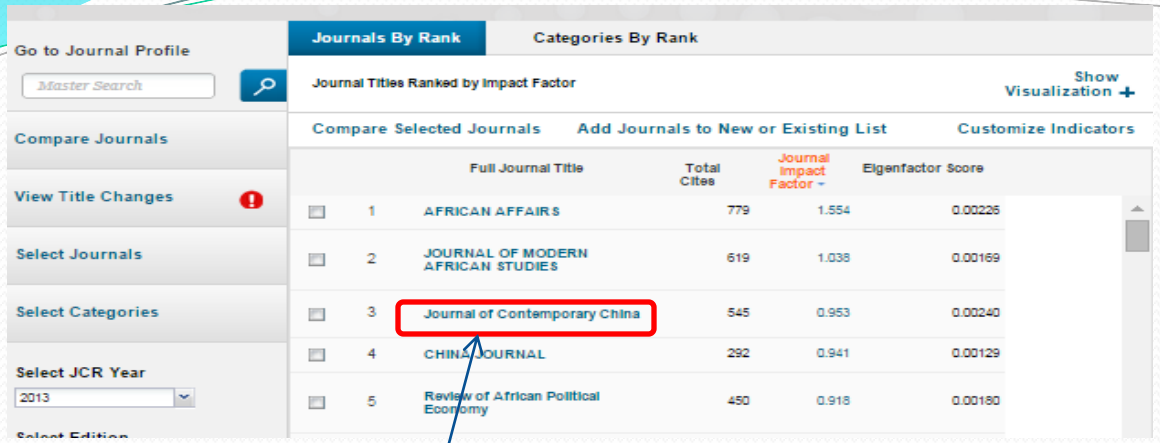
		Full Journal Title	Total Cites	Journal Impact Factor	Eigenfactor Score
	1	AFRICAN AFFAIRS	779	1.554	0.00226
	2	JOURNAL OF MODERN AFRICAN STUDIES	619	1.038	0.00169
	3	Journal of Contemporary China	545	0.953	0.00240
	4	CHINA JOURNAL	292	0.941	0.00129
	5	Review of African Political Economy	450	0.918	0.00180
	6	CHINA QUARTERLY	1,312	0.872	0.00413
	7	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL CHANGE	1,353	0.868	0.00239

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. For example, AREA STUDIES has 64 titles and the top 25% is around 16th title (divide 64/4). And this is followed by Q2 which is the next 25% & etc.

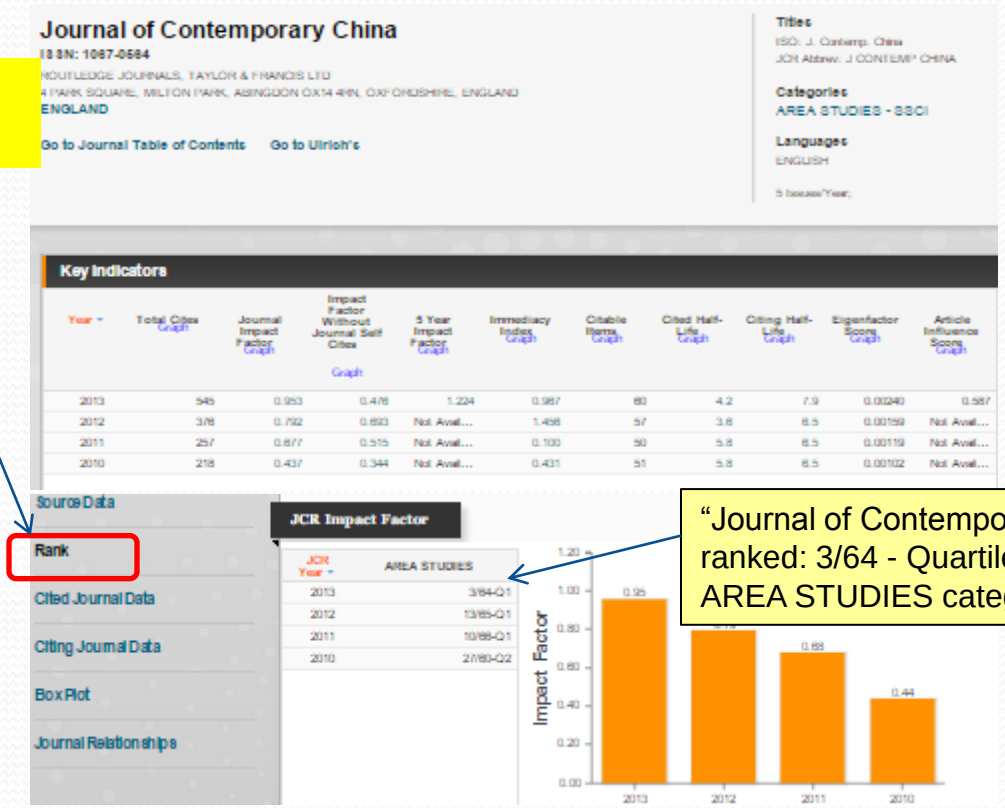


6. Example 1: Locate journals in Quartile (Tier) 1 & 2 in Area Studies. Under “JIF Quartile”, check the box next to Q1 & Q2. Click “Submit”.

6. Example 2: To find out which tier a journal belongs to : Select any title such as “JOURNAL OF CONTEMPARY CHINA”



7. Click on the journal. Result displayed. Then, select “Rank”



“Journal of Contemporary China” ranked: 3/64 - Quartile 1 (Q1) in AREA STUDIES category

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’
To avoid submission of manuscripts to “potential, possible, or probable predatory scholarly open-access publishers”

http://scholarlyoa.com/publishers/

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