(articles mentioning "humanities" or "liberal arts")

A collection of word-frequency and other data representing 94,816 unique articles mentioning “humanities” or “liberal arts” (no duplicate or close-variant documents) published mostly during 1989-2019 in 884 U.S. news sources and their associated blogs.¹ (5,492 articles originate from earlier years going back to 1977.) WE1S and other researchers use this data to look for broad patterns and to help guide closer study.


In this collection, the word “humanities” occurs 134,948 times in 82,077 documents; and “liberal arts” 20,335 times in 14,621 documents.

¹ WE1S makes available only “non-consumptive use” word frequency, topic model, and other datasets along with their visualizations. Datasets cannot be used to access, read, or reconstruct the original texts.