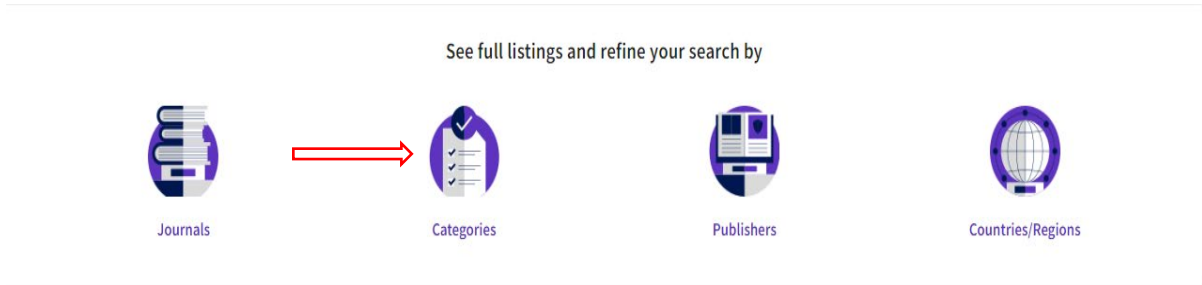


How do you find top journals in your research discipline?

The [Journal Citation Reports \(JCR\)](#) is a very good tool for this. Follow the steps below.

1. To search by topic, select "Categories":



2. You will get an overview of 254 categories, grouped into broader disciplines:

Categories by Group[®]
See all 254 Categories

Sort by: Alphabetical

	NUMBER OF CATEGORIES	NUMBER OF JOURNALS	NUMBER OF CITABLE ITEMS
Agricultural Sciences	7	419	55,284
Arts & Humanities, Interdisciplinary	8	960	33,885
Biology & Biochemistry	34	3,892	707,810
Chemistry	21	2,325	638,604
Clinical Medicine	59	7,134	1,121,802

3. After clicking on a discipline, you will see the underlying categories. Click on the desired category, for example "AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY":

Agricultural Sciences

Covers multiple aspects of agriculture, including engineering application in agriculture; selection, breeding, and management of livestock and crops; cultivation of plants; the formation, distribution, and utilization of soils; and all aspects of agricultural commodities and the management and policy decisions affecting them.

NUMBER OF CATEGORIES

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AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY

AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING

AGRICULTURE, DAIRY & ANIMAL SCIENCE

AGRICULTURE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY

AGRONOMY

HORTICULTURE

SOIL SCIENCE

See All 7

You will then see that there are 21 journals indexed for this discipline in the SCIE index, and 14 journals in the ESCI index:

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY			
Category	Group	Edition	# of journals
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY	Agricultural Sciences; Economics & Business	SCIE	21
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY	Agricultural Sciences; Economics & Business	ESCI	14

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5. After clicking for example on the 21 journals from the SCIE index, you get an overview of all these journals sorted in descending order according to the impact factor:

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY SCIE JCR Year: 2020								
Journal name	ISSN	eISSN	Category	Total Citations	2020 JIF	JIF Quartile	2020 JCI	% of OA Gold
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Review of Resource Economics	1941-1340	1941-1359	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY - SCIE	1,160	5.184	Q1	1.62	2.78 %
<input type="checkbox"/> AQUACULTURE ECONOMICS & MANAGEMENT	1365-7305	1551-8663	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY - SCIE	984	4.761	Q1	1.80	11.49 %
<input type="checkbox"/> FOOD POLICY	0306-9192	1873-5657	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY - SCIE	8,894	4.552	Q1	1.73	22.46 %
<input type="checkbox"/> Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy	2040-5790	2040-5804	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY - SCIE	1,218	4.083	Q1	1.70	7.18 %
<input type="checkbox"/> AMERICAN JOURNAL OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS	0002-9092	1467-8276	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY - SCIE	10,054	4.082	Q1	1.92	13.85 %
<input type="checkbox"/> EUROPEAN REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS	0165-1587	1464-3618	AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS & POLICY - SCIE	2,029	3.836	Q2	1.65	10.24 %

To also see the 14 journals from ESCI, you can check this in the filters on the left:

Filter

- Journals (26,696) >
- Categories (254) >
- Publishers (8,113) >
- Country / region (118) >
- Citation Indexes >
- JCR Year >
- Open Access >
- JIF Quartile >
- JIF Range >

Citation Index

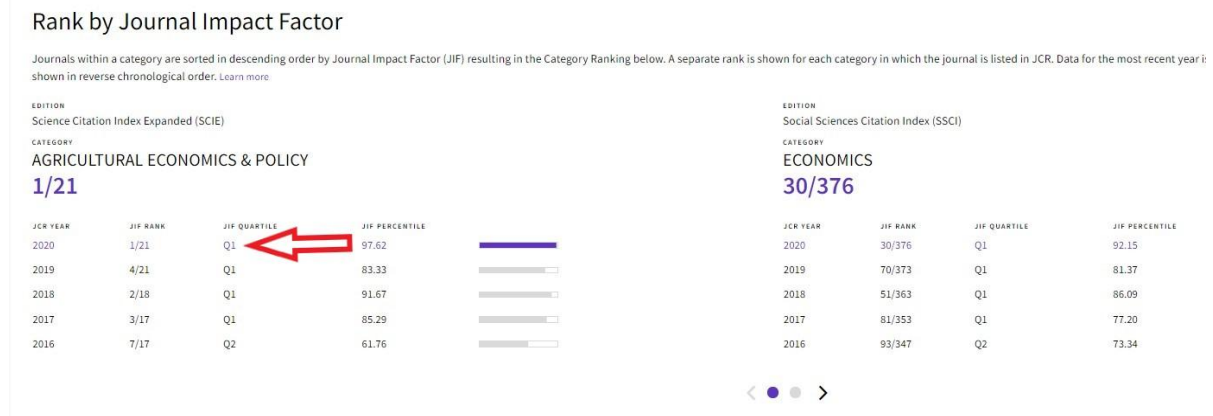
Filter on specific editions of the Web of Science Core Collection. By default, all are selected.

- Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE)
- Social Science Citation Index (SSCI)
- Arts & Humanities Citation Index (AHCI)
- Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) ←

Journal name	Total Citations	2020 JIF	JIF Quartile
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EUROPEAN REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS	2,029	3.836	Q2
...	2,733	3.581	Q2
...	1,315	2.863	Q2

Under the filters you can also select certain quartiles if desired.

6. You can click on each journal in the overview under point 5, after which you will see the journal profile with, among other things, information about the "Rank", under which you can find the quartile for each discipline for each publication year. As an example we will take the journal *Annual Review of Resource Economics*:



Because the above journal belongs to different disciplines, the quartiles and ranking information are shown for each discipline.

The quartile ranking may differ from discipline to discipline. In one discipline a journal can belong to quartile 1, and in another discipline to quartile 2. For output financing within UHasselt, the highest quartile is always taken into account.