Why do I like using LexisNexis Academic?
LexisNexis Academic contains access to a variety of journals, magazines, and scholarly articles in regards to various topics dealing with law, policy, foreign affairs, and even economic issues.

To access the database from the home screen,

1) After browsing databases by subject, under the Humanities & Social Sciences section, click “Law – Databases”
2) Under Recommended, select the first database listed, “LexisNexis Academic”.
3) After clicking on the appropriate database link, you will be directed to the database itself!

In the database itself, you can search by subject or topic (highlighted) or even search the news, look up a legal case, or get company information (all starred in blue).

How have I used LexisNexis Academic?
I took a LAW 1101 (Business Contracts) course in the Fall of 2015. For one of our assignments, we had to research a monumental court case and discuss its effects on the legal system of our nation. I wasn’t sure what I wanted to write about, so just for fun, I clicked “Look up a Legal Case” and typed in Equal Opportunity in the search bar.
I hit GO, and ended up getting quite a few cases that dealt with my topic-of-interest. I still wasn’t sure how to proceed, so I decided to sort by group and category (blue arrows blue) and was able to narrow it down to a few court cases!

How can I use LexisNexis Academic?
Surprisingly enough, I found a great tool on the database itself that is conveniently located on the left side of the database homepage (highlighted below). It allows me to watch videos that help me learn more about navigating the database, provides various research guides, and gives instructions on how to do legal casework.