

GREED 660 – Educational Research

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Finding Studies

- Online Search Tools

Advantages of library databases

Best access to the majority of evaluated and/or peer reviewed research
More efficient and focused searching

Tools And Resources to show

- Library homepage <http://wwwx.potsdam.edu/library>
Link in Blackboard course
“Ask a Librarian” – to get help
- **Education subject guide** <http://potsdam.libguides.com/education>
From SUNY Potsdam home page:
Library > Subject... > choose Education
- Online encyclopedias (“Reference” tab):
Encyclopedia of Education, etc.
- Library Catalogs (“Books, media, etc.” tab):
BearCat – Potsdam’s collection – Books, etc. owned
E-Books at SUNY Potsdam – some are linked in BearCat
See also e-books page – from home page > Find Books menu > E-books
WorldCat – Books, etc. in many libraries (hint: This is a large database, use Limits, e.g. “Limit type to” Book)
- Article databases (“Articles” tab):
ERIC (EBSCOhost interface)
Also includes citations for ERIC documents (not full text of books, not articles; means speeches, conference papers, etc.)
Also Education Research Complete, PsychINFO. SocAbs, etc.
- **ArticleLinker**  – **in many databases; the quickest way to find out how articles are available:**
On line
In Print (Library of Congress call numbers found in Bearcat)
Interlibrary Loan (ILL) through ILLiad
- Interlibrary Loan tool
ILLiad – to get loans of books and copies of articles not owned

Database Tips

- Peer reviewed research journal articles – picking them out
- Controlled vocabulary
Descriptors/Subject Headings – Preferred terms
 - Going from keyword searching to Descriptors
 - Under “Refine Your Results” - Subject
- Limiters
 - In ERIC only - Publication Type – Reports - Research
 - Publication Date
 - Journal or Document – EJ and ED
- EBSCOhost tips:
Searching multiple databases at the same time
Creating a My EBSCOhost account to store and share articles online
- Focusing your search results
Too many results? Too few? Still not what you want?

Also important

Database, record, field –
How databases are
organized

Boolean logic – AND, OR,
NOT

Truncation - *

Citation elements -
Online magazine/journal
article cites need
additional information in
some citation systems

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Potsdam Libguides subject page for Education
<http://potsdam.libguides.com/education>

Crumb and Crane Libraries

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Other Research Needs

How to Cite Sources

Need help citing sources or writing your paper?

- [The SUNY Potsdam College Libraries' Guide to Citing Sources](#)
- [The SUNY Potsdam College Writing Center](#)
- [The Citation Machine](#)
 - An interactive web tool designed to assist students in their effort to respect other people's intellectual properties. Choose your style, enter your information, and the Citation Machine will generate standard-format citations.

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