

EDUCATION -- SEARCH TIPS BY DATABASE			
Database	Contents	Limit to Research Studies	Other Helpful Limiters
Education Source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1990- ▪ Education-related journal articles (Over 1800 journals are full text) ▪ Some books and conference papers 	<p><u>Recommended:</u> Check box to limit to “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Next to one search box, change “select a field” pull-down menu to “Abstract.” <p>Type in: study</p>	<p><u>Helpful Subjects:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Empirical research ▪ Meta-analysis ▪ Program effectiveness
ERIC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1966- ▪ Education-related journal articles ▪ ERIC documents (reports, curriculum, teaching guides/activities, etc.) 	<p><u>Recommended:</u> Check box to limit to “Peer Reviewed”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Next to one search box, change “select a field” pull-down menu to “Abstract.” <p>Type in: study</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Educational levels:</u> Scroll down to select, E.g., elementary education; primary education; higher education OR add “elementary” [etc.] to search ▪ <u>Limit to literature reviews:</u> add “literature reviews” to search ▪ <u>Helpful subjects:</u> meta analysis, program effectiveness, quasiexperimental
PsycINFO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1887- ▪ journal articles ▪ technical reports ▪ books that are parts of series ▪ dissertations 	<p><u>Recommended:</u> Check box to limit to “Peer Reviewed”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Next to one search box, change “select a field” pull-down menu to “Abstract.” <p>Type in: study</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Recommended:</u> Limit to English ▪ <u>Research methods:</u> Pull down the METHODOLOGY menu to select: literature reviews, empirical study, meta analysis, quantitative study, and more.
Communication & Mass Media Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Includes communication disorders, second language acquisition, etc. ▪ Journal articles 	<p><u>Recommended:</u> Check box to limit to “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Next to one search box, change “select a field” pull-down menu to “Abstract.” <p>Type in: study</p>	

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