



RESOURCES ON PSYCHOLOGY

SEARCHING FOR PERIODICAL ARTICLES

The library subscribes to many periodicals in various formats: microforms, print, CD-Rom and online via the Internet. Please check the library's periodical listings (at the reference desk) for date of publication and formats available. The following are periodicals that may be relevant to your research on psychology:

Relevant Periodicals in the Library

- American Journal of Psychology
- Annual Review of Psychology
- Journal of Abnormal Psychology
- Journal of Applied Psychology
- Journal of Educational Psychology
- Journal of Humanist Psychology
- Journal of Social Psychology
- Psychology Bulletin
- Psychology Today

Other Subject-Related Reference Publications in the Library

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| • Encyclopedia of Psychology | BF 31 .E52 |
| • Encyclopedia of Human Behavior | BF 31 .E5 |
| • Dictionary of Behavioral Sciences | BF 31 .D48 |
| • Gale Encyclopedia of Psychology | BF 31 .G35 |
| • International Dictionary of Psychology | BF 31 .S83 |
| • The Story of Psychology | BF 81 .H86 |
| • Oxford Companion to the Mind | BF 3 .O94 |

To Search for Articles in General on Psychology

To search the magazine/newspaper databases (*Proquest, Newsbank, Gender Watch*), use words appropriate to the field and sub-fields, including :

- Major sub-fields of psychology (i.e. forensic psychology, clinical psychology, etc.)
- Names of experts in the field

- Names of organizations or institutions involved in the field
- Check in the *Library of Congress Subject Headings* set (the five big red books on the stand), in dictionaries, thesauri and subject-related books for the right words to use.

SEARCHING FOR BOOKS ON PSYCHOLOGY

- The Long Beach City College Library catalog is Web-based and searchable via the Internet. The Library Web site's URL is: <http://lib.lbcc.cc.ca.us>
- Use "Keyword" search or "Subject " search. At the orientation, the librarian will demonstrate c how to do a complex search for more relevant results.
- **The Library of Congress Classification Numbers (or Call Numbers)** are not inclusive of all books on the subject in the library, as variances in the focus of books result in their being cataloged in different sections of the LC classification system. For example, a search on the topic of "*brainwashing*" will show books belonging to:

• BF	Psychology
• E	History
• H	Social Sciences
• J	Political Science
• K	Law

SEARCHING FOR PSYCHOLOGY RESOURCES ON THE INTERNET

Use a Search Engine such as Altavista (<http://www.altavista.com>) when you know the exact terms or names of your topic.

- Enter two or more related words, each with a + in front of it to specify your search.
- Search for phrases by putting double quotes around two or more words, for example:
+ethnocentrism +prejudice
+"thought control" +"sleep deprivation"
- Put an asterisk * after the root word to find plurals or other words beginning with the root.
- Use subject directories such as Yahoo (<http://www.yahoo.com>) or Internet indexes such as Librarian's Index to the Internet (<http://www.lii.org>) for browsing or when you are not sure of the terms or names. Indexes lead you from the general subject to the specific sub-division within that subject.

Great Web sites relating to Psychology and Related Subjects

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| • American Psychological Association | http://www.apa.org |
| • American Psychological Society | http://www.psychologicalscience.org |
| • California Psychological Association | http://www.calpsychlink.org |
| • PsycInfo Direct: | http://www.psycinfo.com |