

Searching for Educational Resources

Local School District online resource catalogues

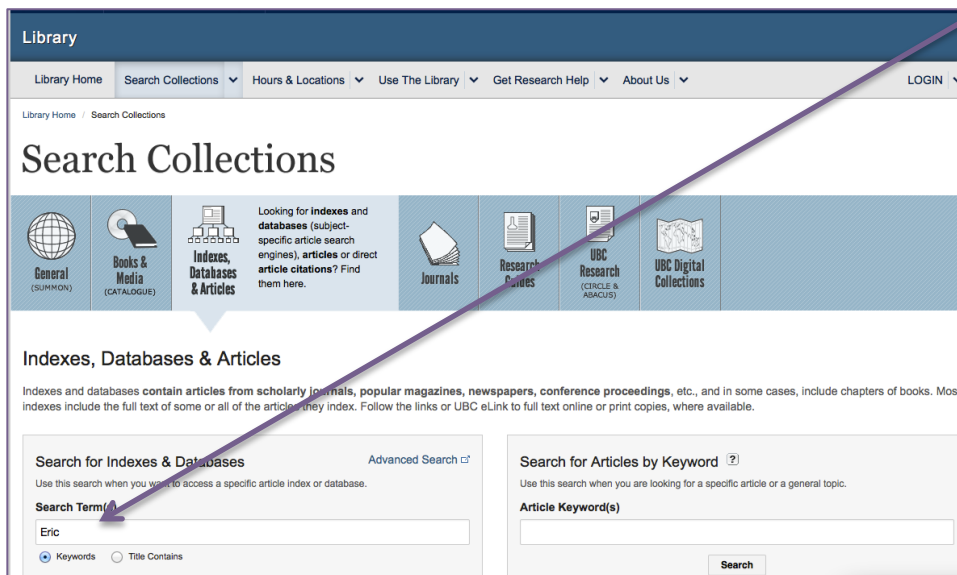
<http://guides.library.ubc.ca/content.php?pid=558199&sid=4626185> or visit the Scarfe Digital Sandbox Blog – select ‘school district resources’ from the Resources tab (<http://blogs.ubc.ca/scarfesandbox/>)

Searching the Library Database – A few Tips from Yvonne @yvonnedtechtalk yvonne.dawydiak@ubc.ca


1. Go to the **Main Library page** and select the indexes and database tab: <http://search.library.ubc.ca/>



2. Type **ERIC** into the search field.



3. Select **ERIC (EBSCO)** – this will give you access to all of EBSCO’s holdings including psycinfo and is a good place to go for Educational Research

Search Results	Access	Permitted Uses
ERIC (EBSCO interface) ↗ Most comprehensive education index, covering nearly 1000 journals, primarily American. Also indexes ERIC documents, including conferences, curricula, reports etc. ERIC (EBSCO) includes many links to full text. more info >	 UBC Only	What use is allowed?

4. **LOGIN** if/when prompted using your CWL
5. Narrow/Limit your search by **Selecting the educational level** (i.e. elementary) in search options (note: you can also limit by date, type of publication, language, etc.)

6. **Always search using key terms and descriptors**

- Do not search as though you were in Google – i.e. do not ask questions
- When you find an initial article, it will have key terms or author supplied terms (subjects) related to it. Search again with these key terms/subjects
- Use an asterix to broaden the search i.e. creativ* - will give you access to creative, creativity and any other truncations; technolog* - will give you access to technologies, technology, technological, etc.
- If your search is too broad, you will get a very large number of results – limit this with more key words or by further limiting your search results in the previous page.

7. When using **Google Scholar** – do so through the library search tools – type ‘Google Scholar’ into the index/database search field (see step 2). This way, you will get only items that are available through UBC Library.