

PsycInfo features

- Produced by the American Psychological Association, PsycInfo indexes journal articles, books, dissertations, conference proceedings, and pamphlets published in the fields of psychology and the psychological aspects of related fields since 1887.
- Indexes more than 2000 journals.
- Does not contain full-text articles, but is linked with *PsycArticles*, a full-text database of 56 publications, primarily from the APA.

Accessing and Using PsycInfo:

1. From the library's home page, choose "**Psychology**" from the **Please Select a Subject** pop-up menu under the column **Resources**.
2. Click **PsycInfo** to open the database.

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username and LAN password

3. Enter terms to be searched in the search boxes. Default fields to be searched include article title, author, subjects, and abstract; searching these fields is a good way to begin a search on a topic. Specific fields to be searched can be selected using the pop-up menus to the right (for example, to search for an author, or title of a known article).
4. **To find subject heading terms** for your topic, click the box labeled "**suggest subject headings**" at the top of the display, enter topic keywords in the search boxes, and click Search. A list of terms from the *PsycInfo* Thesaurus corresponding to the topic keywords entered will display. Click boxes to the left of the subject headings you want to search. At the top of the subject heading list, choose the logical operator (AND, OR, or NOT) with which you want the terms to be combined, and click ADD. The subject headings will display in the search box above; click Search to see the records for articles on those topics.
5. **Note:** to search for **empirical studies** in psychology, enter "empirical study" to be searched in the **CT Form/Content Type** field, in addition to your topic keywords or subject headings.
6. Results display in reverse chronological order (you can switch to sort by author, journal title, or by relevance).
7. Click the title of an article to see more information about the article. Check to see if Thompson Library has the journal in which the article was published by clicking "Journal Finder—Find Full Text".
8. Mark articles of interest by clicking the "Add" folder icon (to the right in the results list or at the top of the individual article display).
9. Click "folder has items" icon to view contents of folder. Contents of folder may be emailed, printed, or saved to disk. If a full-text article is included in your list of articles, a link to the full text will be included in what is emailed.