

PsycINFO Guide for EBSCO



How do I get to PsycINFO?

At <http://library.lakeforest.edu>:

Click on “**Articles in Journals and Newspapers**,” and then click “**PsycINFO**.”

If you are off-campus: Enter your user name and password, or use the VPN



Searching: How do I find articles on my topic?

Enter a key term in one or more boxes.

I didn't get enough (fewer than 30) results.

Use fewer terms and/or try a new search using one or more of the recommended Subject terms from the column on the left of your search results page.

I got too many (hundreds of) results.

Use more terms, use limits,
and/or click one or more of the recommended Subject terms from the column on the left.

My results do not seem to focus on my topic.

Try a new search using one or more of the recommended Subject terms from the column on the left.

Click the Thesaurus in the top blue bar, then click “Relevancy Ranked” and search your keyword to see other recommended terms.

Contact a reference librarian or your professor

I'm trying to find a specific article.

Enter the title in quotation marks and select TI Title

or:

Click “Cited References” in the blue bar at the top of the screen.

Using limits

Limits entered in the bottom half of the search screen will be applied to all searches.

Limits selected from the columns of the search results screen will only be applied to the current results.

Recommended Limits: Exclude Dissertations, English, Empirical Study, Publication Year.


To limit results to studies in the United States:

Enter “US” in a search box and select PL Population Location.




Getting Your PsycINFO articles

Some articles will have an  HTML Full Text” link or a  PDF Full Text” link.

For all others, click  to determine whether the article is in print at the College or is in another database, or to go to a pre-filled form to request the article.



RefWorks – Easily create accurate bibliographies and in-text citations

1. For each article you are planning to use, click the “ Add to folder” link.

2. When you are done, on the right, click the “Go to: Folder View” link.

3. Select all, and click the export image:



4. Click the blue “Save” button.

5. Login to RefWorks, or, if this is your first time, click “Sign up for an Individual Account.”

6. In RefWorks, click **Bibliography**. Then click **Create Bibliography**.

For passwords, help with RefWorks, or other research assistance, call the Library Reference Desk at x5074 or Nancy Sosna Bohm at x5057, sosna@lakeforest.edu