



# Psychology

## Selected Reference Sources (Print and Electronic)

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### Encyclopedias and Guides

*The Corsini Encyclopedia of Psychology and Behavioral Science*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. R/150.3/C818/2001/4 vols.  
Excellent general source for beginning and advanced students and is a good starting point for subject searching of this discipline. Online as a [Netlibrary Ebook\\*](#)

*Encyclopedia of Human Behavior*. Academic Press. R/150.3/En19h/1994/4 vols.

This source presents 250 signed articles focusing primarily on physiological, abnormal and clinical psychology and cognition. Each article provides a glossary, bibliography and cross-references. Indexed by author, title and subject.

*Encyclopedia of Multicultural Psychology*. Sage. R/155.82/En19/2006

Social and cultural concerns of various ethnic groups are brought to light in this source which is aimed at "laypersons, students and professionals new to the field with an interest in the role of culture in psychology." Preface

*The Encyclopedia of Psychology*. Oxford. R/150.3/En19/2000/8 vols.

Spend some time examining the features of this encyclopedia, and you'll find out why it has been heralded for scholarship and comprehensive coverage of this field. Especially interesting is the Synoptic Outline of Contents in volume 8, which serves as a classified reference, listing conceptual categories of psychology and relationships within each broad area. Under the category "Biographies" is the list of 400 names of the psychologists included in the set.

### Dictionaries

*APA Dictionary of Psychology*. American Psychological Association. R/150.3/Ap11/2007

"The official guide to the lexicon of the field from the world's largest professional association of psychologists." Publisher

*Biographical Dictionary of Psychology*. Routledge. 1997. R/150.922/Sh35b

Beside the main section of entries in alphabetical order, this book provides indexes of names, interests and institutions as well as an index of key terms.

*The Dictionary of Family Psychology and Family Therapy*. 2nd ed. Sage. R/616.89/D561/1993

This dictionary serves the purpose of introducing the reader to family psychology and family therapy terms. The editors assume that the reader will be a graduate student, researcher or doctorate level teacher. Each entry has the citations listed from which the definition comes as well as cross-references.

*Learning Theories A-Z. 2002*. R/370.3/L552I

A dictionary encompassing all educational levels and workforce training environments, this source also includes a classified arrangement of learning theories with their related terms.

### Handbooks

To locate handbooks, conduct a keyword search *handbook and psychology* in the VSC library catalog. You may request titles from other libraries, or you may discover many titles in e-book format to read online. Selected titles in the JSC Reference Collection are listed below.

*Handbook of Adolescent Psychology*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. R/155.5/H191/2009/2 vols.  
*Handbook of Counseling Psychology*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Wiley. R/158.3/H191/2000  
*Handbook of Educational Psychology*. R/370.15/H1913/2006  
*Handbook of Motivation and Change: A Practical Guide for Clinicians\** Online as a [Netlibrary Ebook\\*](#)  
*Handbook of Multicultural Assessment*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. R/155.82/H191m/2008  
*Handbook of Personality Development* (2006) R/155.25/H191  
*Handbook of Social Psychology*. R/302/H191/2010/2 vols.

## Databases and Indexes to Journal Literature

Access these sources from the JSC Library Databases A-Z page at <http://www.jsc.edu/Library/FindArticles/>

### [Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection\\*](#)

A great starting point for students needing peer reviewed journals in full text. More than 500 journal titles in psychology and related fields are available online.

### [PsycARTICLES\\*](#)

Full text of over 60 journals published by the American Psychological Association and other organizations. Coverage is from 1894 to present.

[PsycINFO\\*](#), the online counterpart of *Psychological Abstracts*, is the most comprehensive index to the literature in psychology, indexing more than 1200 English-language journals, books, reports and dissertations since the nineteenth century. There are links to the full text periodicals in the *Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection* and *PsycArticles* databases. For materials not available in the JSC print collection or in full text, you may submit interlibrary loan requests online.

***Thesaurus of Psychological Index Terms*. 11th ed.,** American Psychological Association  
**R/150.016/T343/2007.** Use this source to determine the controlled vocabulary used in *PsycINFO*. terms include scope notes, posting notes, term clusters, cross-references, hierarchical relationships and related terms. The online version is a search option in the *PsycINFO* database.

### [Education Research Complete\\*](#)

This relatively new EBSCO database offers access not only to the journal literature, but to full text of books, monographs and conference papers.

[ERIC\\*](#) **Education Resources Information Center** is the world's largest source of education information.

***ERIC Database Online 1966--*** The Education Resources Information Center remains an essential source for education research. Although several enhancements have improved the "free" version of ERIC on the Web, we think the features of our subscription-based ERIC will streamline access to journals as well as documents in full text. Our new EBSCO interface includes an interlibrary loan request form when materials are not in full text online.

***Thesaurus of ERIC descriptors*. 14<sup>th</sup> ed. R/025.4937/T343/2001**

This is an authority list of subject terms used in ERIC. It also includes references from terms not used that is "see references". An online version is available as well.

See also these pathfinders:

- *Tests and Measurements*
- *Education*