**Resources for EDUA 320: Children and Society**

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## FINDING ARTICLES IN SCHOLARLY JOURNALS

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**SUMMON — first (default) tab on library home page search box**

- searches across the spectrum of library content: books, scholarly articles, newspapers, data, audio, video, images, government documents, and more; searches many, but not all, library resources
- draws from OBIS, OhioLINK, many full text and article indexing databases, and (if you select the box) digital repositories from colleges, universities, research centers, and other open-access archives
- subject specific databases are generally better for comprehensive or complex searches
- if links don’t lead to full text, be persistent or ask for help; we probably do have access

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- Use “360 Link to Full Text” or “Find It!” where available in research databases
- Select the Journal Finder tab on the Library home page or from the Quick Links pull-down menu

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WEB SITES FOR FINDING ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES CONCERNED WITH CHILDREN

e-book, connect from OBIS; select Advanced Search and choose Nat’l Org. of the U.S.
Detailed information on American nonprofit organizations of national scope.

http://www.ed.gov/erod
Searchable directory of organizations that provide information and assistance on a wide range of
education-related topics.

TIPS FOR FINDING RESEARCH ARTICLES

• Limit results to academic, scholarly, or peer reviewed journals; although limiting provides a
preliminary filter, not all articles in a scholarly journal are scholarly or research (e.g., letters to the
editor, editorials, reviews, commentaries, etc.), so you need to evaluate each article individually; in
ERIC, filter out “ED” documents, select Publication Type, then choose Reports–Research

• Research articles generally include:
  o summary or abstract
  o hypothesis, question, or assumption to be tested
  o literature review
  o methodology section with description of subjects, procedures, and tools used
  o findings/results section, with analysis of results, significance, and/or explanation of conclusions
  o suggestions for further research

• Look for variations of the words study, measure, subjects, cohort, data, survey, interviews, focus
group, case study, ethnography, textual analysis, content analysis, etc.

• Look for statistical data and analysis, and words like qualitative, quantitative, longitudinal

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