Resources for EDUC 300: Principles of Education
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1) Products on SAGE Knowledge: reference
2) Reference Collections: Education
3) Works and Sections: Entire Works
4) Available to me (final result = 36 titles)

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21st Century Education: A Reference Handbook
Alternative Schooling and School Choice
Curriculum and Instruction
Diversity in Schools
Encyclopedia of Curriculum Studies
Encyclopedia of Diversity in Education
Encyclopedia of Education Economics & Finance
Encyclopedia of Educational Reform and Dissent

Encyclopedia of Giftedness, Creativity, and Talent
Encyclopedia of the Social and Cultural Foundations of Education
Religion in Schools
The SAGE Encyclopedia of Classroom Management
The SAGE Encyclopedia of Educational Technology
School Discipline and Safety
Standards and Accountability in Schools

Main Reference LA212 .B295 2008 (2 vols.)


Main Reference LB1060 .F453 2014

FINDING ARTICLES IN SCHOLARLY JOURNALS USING RESEARCH DATABASES

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ERIC (Education Resources Information Center)
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PsycINFO (psychology)
SocINDEX (sociology)
Urban Studies Abstracts

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FINDING STATISTICS

The primary federal entity that collects and analyzes data related to education in the U.S. and other nations. NCES is part of the U.S. Department of Education and the Institute of Education Sciences. Includes the annual publications The Condition of Education and Digest of Education Statistics.

CITING SOURCES

Main Reference BF76.7 .P83 2010

Purdue Online Writing Lab (aka the OWL). Maintained by Perdue University.
https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/
See the Research and Citation section for examples of how to cite resources using APA, MLA, and Chicago citation styles.

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• how long it takes: allow 3-4 business days
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• to request: select “ILLiad/Interlibrary Loan” from the Quick Links menu on the Library’s home page;
  set up an account; enter and track ILL requests online
• how long it takes: allow 1-2 weeks; many articles arrive much more quickly
• loan period: journal articles are yours to keep; loan period for books varies

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