

EBSCO – Selecting Individual Databases

If your topic spans more than one category you may wish to select individual databases rather than relying on the subject categories provided by EBSCO. For example topics pertaining to **nursing informatics** may require that you search **medical, technology and business** databases.

Get into the **EBSCO** databases. Do not click on any of the subject categories. Instead, click on **Databases A-Z**, near the top of the screen.



The screenshot shows the EBSCO database selection interface. At the top left is the EBSCO logo. To its right are three links: "Choose Databases by Subject", "Databases A-Z", and "Select another EBSCO service". Below these links is a paragraph of text: "To search within a single subject, click the subject name listed below. To select more than one subject to search, check the boxes next to the subjects and click *Continue*". A red arrow points from the text "Databases A-Z" to the "Databases A-Z" link. Below the text is a blue bar with a "Continue" button. Underneath the bar is a "Jump to:" section with a grid of subject category links: "General/News Databases", "Arts/Architecture Databases", "Business/Economics Databases", "Computer Science/E", "Earth/Environment Databases", "Education Databases", "Gender/Sexuality Databases", "Health Sciences Database", "Law/Political Science Databases", "Life Sciences Databases", "Literature Databases", "Philosophy/Religion Databases", and "Psychology/Sociology Databases".

The screen will display a list of all the databases offered by EBSCO.

- Academic Search Premier**
This multi-disciplinary database provides full text for more than 4,600 journals, including full text for nearly 3,900 peer-reviewed titles. PDF backfiles to 1975 or further are available for well over one hundred journals, and searchable cited references are provided for more than 1,000 titles.
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- Agricola**
This database contains bibliographic records from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Library. Coverage for *AGRICOLA* dates back to 1970 and includes more than 4.8 million citations. The citations are comprised of journal articles, monographs, theses, patents, software, audiovisual materials, and technical reports related to agriculture.
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- Business Source Premier**
Business Source Premier is the industry's most used business research database, providing full text for more than 2,300 journals, including full text for more than 1,100 peer-reviewed titles. This database provides full text back to 1886, and searchable cited references back to 1998. *Business Source Premier* is superior to the competition in full text coverage in all disciplines of business, including marketing, management, MIS, POM, accounting, finance and economics. This database is updated daily on EBSCO*host*.
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- CINAHL**
CINAHL is the authoritative resource for nursing and allied health professionals, students, educators and researchers. This database provides indexing for more than 3,000 journals from the fields of nursing and allied health. The database contains more than 2.3 million records dating back to 1981.
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ECTC’s subscription currently includes 24 databases. The databases are listed alphabetically by title. Each title is followed by a short description of the database. Each database entry also includes a link to a **title list** (which will display all the magazine, journal and other publication titles included in that database) and a link to **More Information**.

The databases you will most likely use include the following:

Database Title	Subjects Covered
<i>Academic Search Premier</i>	Multiple topics
<i>Business Source Premier</i>	Business
<i>CINAHL with Full Text</i>	Nursing and allied health topics
<i>Enhanced Business Searching Interface</i>	Business. Includes the Datamonitor reports
<i>ERIC</i>	Education (NOT FULL TEXT)
<i>Health Source – Nursing/Academic Edition</i>	Medical topics
<i>Medline</i>	Medical topics (NOT FULL TEXT)
<i>Military and Government Collection</i>	Military and government topics
<i>Professional Development Collection</i>	Education
<i>Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection</i>	emotional and behavioral characteristics, psychiatry & psychology, observational & experimental methods.
<i>Religion and Philosophy Collection</i>	Religions, philosophy, history of philosophy, philosophers, ethics
<i>Sociological Collection</i>	social behavior, human interaction, relationships, community issues, culture, social structure, social work.

You can search a single database by clicking on the database title. You may also choose to search more than one database at a time by selecting multiple databases. You may want to take this route if research pertaining to your topic may come from more than one discipline. For example, if you are researching the factors that contribute to smoking among middle-school students you may want to select *Academic Search Premier* (because it covers a variety of topics,) the *Professional Development Collection*, the *Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection* and the *Sociological Collection*.

To select and search more than one database do the following:

1. Click on **Databases A-Z** (as described above)
2. Click in the box to the left of the title of a database that you wish to search. You will see a check mark appear in the box.
3. Scroll down

4. Click in the boxes next to the titles of any other database(s) that you wish to search
5. Scroll to the bottom of the screen. Click on the **Continue** button.

Academic Search Premier
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Agricola
This database contains bibliographic... and includes more than 4.8 million... technical reports related to agriculture.
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Clicking in the box next to Academic Search Premier puts a checkmark in the box

Business Source Premier

Newspaper Source
Newspaper Source provides cover-to-cover full text for more than 4 regional (U.S.) newspapers. In addition, full text television & radio r
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Professional Development Collection
Designed for professional educators, this database prov... peer-reviewed titles. This database also contains more... of full text education journals in the world.
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Clicking in the boxes next to the Professional Development Collection and the Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection puts checkmarks in THOSE boxes

Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection
Psychology & Behavioral Sciences Collection is a comprehensive dat... psychiatry & psychology, mental processes, anthropology, and obse... offering full text coverage for nearly 400 journals.
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6. Now scroll to the bottom of the page...
7. Click on the **CONTINUE** button

Sociological Collection
 This database provides coverage of more than 500 full text journals, including ne areas of sociology, including social behavior, human tendencies, interaction, relati is updated daily via EBSCO *host*.
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Teacher Reference Center
Teacher Reference Center provides indexing and abstracts for 280 of the most p educators.
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TOPICsearch
TOPICsearch contains full text for over 60,000 articles from 399 diverse sources i of periodicals, biographies, public opinion polls, book reviews, pamphlets, and gov
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[Continue](#) 

You will see the following screen. When you type in your search terms you will be searching all the databases you selected...

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 Searching: **Specific Databases**, [Show all](#) | [Choose Databases by Subject >](#)

[Search](#) [Clear](#) [?](#)

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Search Options

Search modes ?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Boolean/Phrase	Apply related words <input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="radio"/> Find all my search terms	
	<input type="radio"/> Find any of my search terms	Also search within the full text of the articles <input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="radio"/> SmartText Searching Hint	