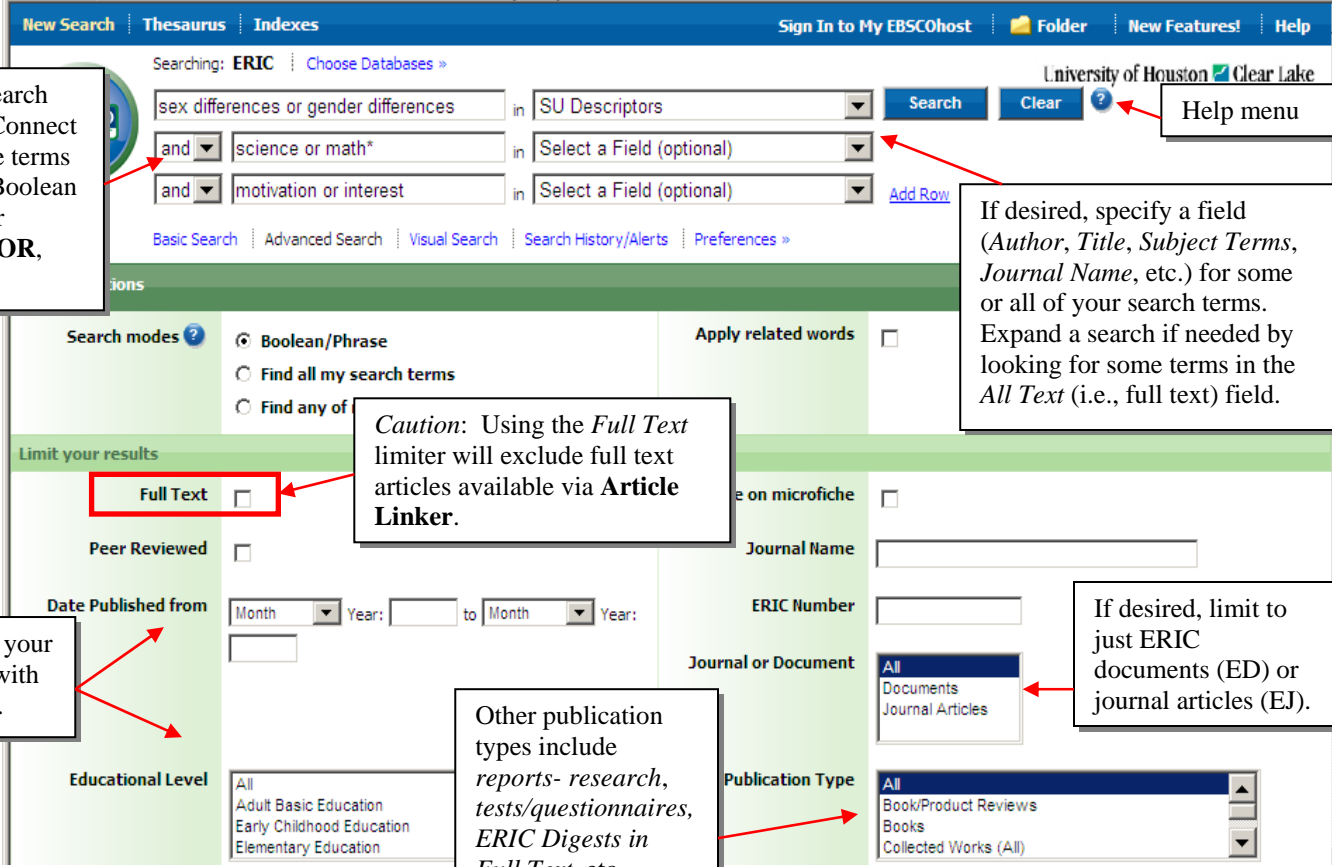


The EBSCO version of the **ERIC** (Education Resources Information Center) database, funded by the U. S. Department of Education, provides indexing, abstracts, and selected full text for journal articles (EJ references from *Current Index to Journals in Education*) and documents (ED references from *Resources in Education*). Most coverage begins in 1966 and includes over 1,000 journals and over 485,000 documents. Full text for ED documents (mostly 1992 to present) is provided from www.eric.ed.gov. Most ERIC documents also are available in the Microfiche Area (1st level of the library, call number L111 .A4 E7).

STARTING & SEARCHING ERIC (EBSCO)

From the library's World Wide Web homepage (<http://www.uhcl.edu/library>), click on **Databases A-Z**. In the alphabetical list of databases by name, click on the **ERIC (EBSCO)** hyperlink. *Note:* A public version of **ERIC** is available at <http://www.eric.ed.gov>, but it provides full text for ED references only.

Advanced Search with Boolean/phrase search mode is the default search method. See sample search form below.



The screenshot shows the ERIC search interface with the following callout boxes:

- Enter search terms. Connect multiple terms with a Boolean operator (AND, OR, NOT).** (Points to the search input fields)
- Help menu** (Points to the help icon)
- If desired, specify a field (Author, Title, Subject Terms, Journal Name, etc.) for some or all of your search terms. Expand a search if needed by looking for some terms in the All Text (i.e., full text) field.** (Points to the field selection dropdown)
- Caution: Using the Full Text limiter will exclude full text articles available via Article Linker.** (Points to the Full Text checkbox)
- Narrow your results with limiters.** (Points to the Limit your results section)
- Other publication types include reports- research, tests/questionnaires, ERIC Digests in Full Text, etc.** (Points to the Publication Type dropdown)
- If desired, limit to just ERIC documents (ED) or journal articles (EJ).** (Points to the Journal or Document dropdown)

Tips: Enter Boolean operators, proximity operators, or truncation symbols directly into the search box.

and	multicultural and training	narrows the results by finding both words in the same record
or	college or university	broadens the results by finding records containing either or both terms
n	readiness n5 preschool	finds <i>readiness</i> within 5 words of <i>preschool</i> , in any order
w	readiness w3 preschool	finds <i>readiness</i> within 3 words of <i>preschool</i> , i.e., <i>readiness for preschool</i> , in that order
?	wom? n	broadens the results by finding <i>woman</i> or <i>women</i>
*	comput*	broadens the results by finding <i>computer</i> , <i>computing</i> , <i>computation</i> , etc.

Special Search Links:

Thesaurus

Indexes

- Use **Thesaurus** to identify and search official subject descriptors, which should improve your search results.
- Use **Indexes** to browse entries for and search specific fields (*author, descriptors, educational level, etc.*).

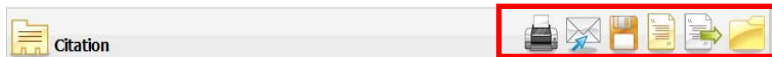
VIEWING & WORKING WITH RECORDS

The screenshot shows a search results page with several annotated areas:

- Left sidebar:** "Narrow Results by" section with "Subject" and "Publication" categories. Annotations include: "Click the arrow to show or hide any limiter category." (pointing to the Subject dropdown arrow) and "Focus your search results by clicking on a related subject or publication." (pointing to "High Schools" and "Journal of Research in Science Teaching").
- Search results:** A list of results. Annotations include: "Click the *Article Linker* button or **Check for possible full text** to see whether full text is available from another source. See also **Article & Book Requests** on the library homepage for document delivery options." (pointing to "ARTICLE LINKER" and "Check for possible Full Text"); "Click **Add to folder** and then **Folder View** when ready." (pointing to "Add to folder" and "Folder View"); "To see if UHCL owns the journal in paper copy or microfilm and where it's located in the library, click **Search the Neumann Library Catalog**." (pointing to "Search the Neumann Library Catalog"); "Click title for the full citation view or the magnifying glass for a preview." (pointing to the magnifying glass icon on the 11th result).
- Right sidebar:** "Limit your results" section with filters for "Full Text" and "Available on microfiche", and a "Filter by Publication Date" range from 1977 to 2008. Annotations include: "Leads to all limiters." (pointing to the "Options set" link) and "Folder has item" (pointing to a folder icon).
- Bottom of results:** "Full Text from ERIC" link for the 11th result. Annotation: "Follow the **Full Text from ERIC** link to the free online ED document. Some documents may be available only in the UHCL microfiche collection L111 .A4 E7." (pointing to the link).



Caution: *Bookmark* and *Share* links must be edited to insure access, especially from off campus. Create a *My EBSCOhost* account instead to save your work.



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