

# Ferdinand D. Bluford Library

## A SELECTIVE GUIDE TO MATERIALS AND RESOURCES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special education provisions are legislatively mandated for students who meet specific criteria for attention due to learning disabilities or excellence/talent in a particular identified learning area. These are students for whom the standard curriculum is unsuitable to their educational needs. This selective guide contains a bibliography of titles and electronic resources to assist students in special education. It outlines a general approach for finding materials and resources housed in the F.D. Bluford Library and also electronic sources that may be in the databases and on the Internet. This guide will also help students organize their research and at the same time provide tips on research strategy.

### Using the Catalog

Establishing what resources the library owns on the subject you are researching should be your first priority. To find information, students must use the online catalog. The Catalog can be searched by AUTHOR, TITLE, KEYWORD, JOURNAL TITLE and by SUBJECT HEADING. If you are going to do a **keyword search** you can either enter a word that may appear in the title or in the description of the work. If you are going to do a **subject search** you should use the Library of Congress Subject Headings located next to the computer workstations to help you determine the correct heading to use. There are several other options for narrowing or limiting your search and or identifying similar titles. Please refer to the INNOPAC Handout at the Information Center for more detailed instruction or ask for assistance at the Reference Desk

### Dictionaries & Encyclopedias

Encyclopedias are a good place to start when you are unfamiliar with the topic. Articles in encyclopedias are often written by recognized authorities and provide facts and ideas about the topic, such as history, basic theories, and important persons who have written related articles. Also, most encyclopedic articles close with a bibliography that may help you to establish your literature search. Dictionaries provide a brief definition of a term, movement, or person in history.

**Note:** When using encyclopedias, first consult the index volume, usually the last volume of the set. This will tell you if your topic has an article devoted entirely to it or if it is discussed within an article on a related subject.

*Dictionary of Special Education and Rehabilitation* – A&T Ref LC3957.U42 1990

*A Dictionary of Special Education Terms* – Ref LC3957.M66 1980

*Encyclopedia of American Education* – A&T Ref LB17.U54 2001

*Encyclopedia of Education* – A&T Ref LB15.E47 2003

*Encyclopedia of Educational Research* – A&T Ref LB15.E48 1992

*The Encyclopedia of Learning Disability* – A&T Ref LC4704.5.T86 2002

*Encyclopedia of Special Education* – A&T Ref LC4007.E53 2007

*Encyclopedia of Women and Gender: Sex Similarities and Differences and the Impact of Society on Gender* – A&T Ref HQ1115.E43 2001

*Feminism: A Reference Handbook* – A&T Ref HQ1410.H365 1998

### **Almanacs, e-Books, Handbooks and Manual**

Almanacs are useful statistical and factual sources that have current information on a broad range of topics and subjects. E-books, handbooks and manuals can help you throughout your research.

- 500 Tips for Working with Children with Special Needs* – A&T Stacks LC3965.V34 1998
- Administrator's Desk Reference on Special Education* – A&T Ref LC3981.W38 1986
- Almanac of American Education* – A&T Ready Ref LA217.2.A45 2005
- Assistive Technology for Students with Mild Disabilities Update* 2002 (ebook) NetLibrary
- The Educator's Desk Reference (EDR)* – A&T Ref LB1028.27.U6 F74 2002
- Children Don't Come with Additional Manual: A Teacher's Guide to Problems that Affect Learners* 2004 (ebook) NetLibrary
- The Exceptional Teacher's Handbook: the First-Year Special Education Teacher's Guide for Success* – A&T Stacks LC3969.S36 2000
- Educating Young Children with Additional Needs* 2002 (ebook) NetLibrary
- Handbook of Learning Disabilities* – A&T Ref LC4704.H364 2006
- Handbook of Special Education: Research and Practice* – A&T Stacks LC3965.H263 1987
- Handbook of Research on Multicultural Education* – A&T Ref LC1099.3 H35 2004
- Handicapped Students and Special Education* – A&T Ref KF 4210.H36 1991
- Identification of Learning Disabilities: Research to Practice* 2002 – (ebook) NetLibrary
- Inclusion, Participation, and Democracy: what is the Purpose?* 2003 – (ebook) NetLibrary
- Minority Students in Special and Gifted Education* 2002 – (ebook) NetLibrary
- Multicultural Handbook of School Psychology: an Interdisciplinary Perspective* 2007 – (ebook) NetLibrary
- Oxford Handbook of Deaf Studies, Language, and Education* – A&T Ref HV2380.088 2003
- Resources for People with Disabilities: a National Directory* – A&T Ref HV1553.R48 1998
- Special Education Desk Reference* – A&T Ref LC3981.E45 1997
- The Special Education Teacher's Book of Lists* – A&T Ref LC3965.P54 2003
- The Special Education Yellow Pages* – A&T Ref LC4031. P488 2000
- Students with Disabilities, Learning Difficulties and Advantages: Statistics and Indicators* 2005 – (ebook) NetLibrary
- Venture into Cultures: a Resource book of Multicultural Materials and Programs* 2001 – (ebook) NetLibrary
- Young, Gifted and Black: Promoting High Achievement among African-American Students* – A&T Stacks LC2717.P47 2003

### **Indexes and Abstracts (Printed)**

To locate articles that are pertinent to your research, you need to use indexes and abstracts to journal and newspaper literature. The printed indexes and abstracts are located in the Reference area by call number. They are especially useful for pre-1990s literature searching. They vary in scope, depth and breadth of subject covered. In addition to periodical articles, indexes and abstracts may also index reports published in conference proceedings, government documents, technical reports, dissertations, etc.

- Comprehensive Dissertation Index (1861-1972)* – A&T Ref Indexes Z5053. X47
- Current Index to Journals in Education: CIJE* – A&T Ref Indexes L11.C8
- Education Index* – A&T Ref Indexes Z5813.E23
- Psychological Abstracts* – A&T Ref Indexes BF1. P65
- Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature* – A&T Ref Indexes A13.R4
- Resources in Education* – A&T Ref Indexes L11.R28

### **Printed Journals ( Selected List)**

*Printed Journals* are located on the lower level. Please use the Online Catalog to search for journal titles.

- Education and Training in Developmental Disabilities* – V.38 (2003) +
- Exceptional Children* – V.19 (1952) +
- The Exceptional Parent* – V.14 (1984) +
- Focus on Exceptional Children* – V.2 (1970) +
- The Gifted Child Quarterly* – V.27 (1983)

*Journal of Exceptional Children* – V.2-17 (1935-1951)  
*The Journal of Special Education* – V.27 (1993) +  
*Learning Disability Quarterly: Journal of the Division for Children with Learning Disabilities* – V.10 (1987)  
*Remedial and Special Education* – V.8 (1987) +  
*Rural Special Education Quarterly* – V.15 (1996) +  
*Teacher Education and Special Education* – V.8 (1985) +  
*Teaching Exceptional Children* – V.18 (1985) +  
*Topics in Early Childhood Special Education* – V.7 (1987) +

### Electronic Journals (Selected List)

Use the *e-journals* link at the library homepage to search for electronic journals.

*American Rehabilitation* from Academic Search Premier 1990-2004  
*British Journal of Learning Disabilities* from Academic Search Premier 2000 +  
*British Journal of Special Education* from Academic Search Premier 1998 +  
*European Journal of Special Needs Education* from Academic Search Premier 1998 + *Exceptional Children* from General OneFile 1998 +  
*Exceptional Parent* from General OneFile 1998 +  
*Focus on Exceptional Children* from Academic Search Premier 1994 +  
*Gifted Child Today* from General OneFile 2000 +  
*Journal for the Education of the Gifted* from Education Full-Text Only 1998 +  
*Journal of Learning Disabilities* from Academic Search Premier 1975 +  
*Journal of Special Education* from Academic Search Premier 1975 +  
*Learning Disabilities: a Contemporary Journal* from Academic Search Premier 2003 +  
*Learning Disabilities Research and Practice* from Academic Search Premier 2001 +  
*Learning Disability Quarterly* from JSTOR 1978-2005  
*Remedial and Special Education* from Academic Search Premier 1993 +  
*Special Education Law Monthly* from Lexis Nexis Academic 1998 +  
*The Special Educator* from Lexis Nexis Academic 1995  
*Teacher Education and Special Education* from Education Full-Text Only 1998 +  
*Teaching Exceptional Children* from Education Full-Text Only 1998 +  
*Topics in Early Childhood Special Education* from Academic Search Premier 1990 +

### Government Documents

Government Documents cover a broad range of topics including criminal justice; laws and regulations; congressional hearings; Supreme Court opinions; economic, demographic and special education. You can access the Government Documents Collection by using the Online Catalog. The Government Documents Department is located on the lower level of the library building.

*Educating Exceptional Children; a Statistical Profile*  
 A&T GSM FED GOVDOCS ED1:310/2:452649  
*Improving Family Involvement in Special Education*  
 A&T GSM FED GOVDOCS ED1: 310/2:457625  
*Learning Disabilities: Organizations and Resources*  
 A&T GSM FED GOVDOCS LC 19.4/2:97-01  
*Learning Disabilities Overview Update 2002*  
 A&T WEB ED 1.310/2:462808  
*Reading on Individualized Education Programs (IEPs)*  
 A&T GSM FED GOVDOCS ED 1:310/2:457623  
*Teachers Bias in Identifying Gifted and Talented Student*  
 A&T GSM FED GOVDOCS ED1:310/2:454664

## Statistical Sources

Statistics provide quantitative data about your topic. Almanacs, handbooks and electronic resources will provide some statistics.

*Education Statistics of the United States* 2003 (ebook) NetLibrary  
*National Center for Education Statistics* (<http://nces.ed.gov/>)  
*National Institute for Literacy* (<http://www.nifl.gov/nifl/facts/facts/html>)  
*National Network for Child Care* (<http://nncc.org>)  
*Statistical Resources in Education and Psychology*  
(<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/EDP/statistics.html>)  
*U.S.Dept. of Education: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services*  
(<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/osep/research.html>)

## Electronic Databases

*Education: A Sage Full-Text Collection* covers such subject areas as: Adult and Continuing Education, Educational Administration, Educational Policy, Elementary and Primary Education, High School and Secondary Education, Higher Education, International Education, Leadership, Measurement and Testing, Multicultural Education and Diversity, Professional Development, Teaching and Instruction, Teaching Methods

*Education Full-Text (Wilson Web)* indexes and abstracts over 475 international education periodicals, monographs (since 1995), and yearbooks. It includes the full text of over 200 periodicals. The database contains materials concerned with education related topics, including special education.

*Encyclopedia of Educational Statistics.* quick and easy access to recent versions of The Condition of Education, The Digest of Educational Statistics, Educational Indicators: An International Perspective, and Youth Indicators. Access tables of contents, browse by subject area, and conduct full-text searches.

*ERIC* database includes the ERIC thesaurus, a complete list of descriptive terms used by ERIC to index and search the database. Citations, abstracts, and some fulltext from over 1000 educational and education-related journals.

ERIC materials are also on microfiche and located in the Government Documents area on the lower level of the Bluford Library

*JSTOR* provides image and full-text online access to back issues of selected scholarly journals in history, economics, education, political science, demography, mathematics and other fields of the humanities and social sciences.

*Kraus Curriculum Development Library (KCDL)* is an online database that indexes nearly 5,000 documents relevant to teachers, administrators, education students and school librarians.

*Mental measurement Yearbooks* database contains information from **MMY Yearbooks 9 through 17 and the current edition of Tests in Print.**

*NC LIVE* currently offers online access to complete articles from over 10,000 newspapers, journals, and magazines; two encyclopedias; and indexing for over 20,000 periodical titles. The following is a list of databases that will support special education: *Academic Search Full-Text Elite*, *CQ Researcher Online*, *ERIC*, *MasterFile Premier*, *Professional Custom Journals* and *PsychINFO*

*Web of Science* is the only database offering cited reference searching. It is the electronic equivalent of the Social Sciences Citation Index, the Science Citation Index, and the Arts & Humanities Citation Index. Articles are indexed from 1994 to the present, but cited references are not limited by year. The three

citation databases may be searched together or in any combination. Easy Search Mode is used to search a person, place or topic. Full Search Mode is used for citation searching.

## **Videos**

*ADHD & LD Power Teaching Strategies and Accomodations* - A&T LRC LC 4713.2 A34 2004  
*How Difficult can this be? Understanding Learning Disabilities: Frustrating, Anxiety, Tension, the F.A.T. City Workshop* - A&T LRC LC 4704.H6 1989  
*Cerebral Palsy what Every Parent should Know* - A&T LRC HV 3011.R46 1990  
*Parents View of Living with a Child with Disabilities* - A&T LRC HQ759.913.P37 1993  
*Teaching People with Developmental Disabilities* - A&T LRC LC 4601.T433 1988  
*Working Together Faculty and Students with Disabilities* - A&T LRC LC 4819.W67 1995

## **Internet Resources (Selected List)**

### ***Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)***

The largest international professional organization dedicated to improving educational outcomes for individuals with exceptionalities, students with disabilities, and/or the gifted.

Access: <http://www.cec.sped.org>

### ***Gifted and Talented Education***

“Gifted and talented children’ means those persons between the ages of five and twenty-one whose abilities, talents and potential for accomplishment are so exceptional or developmentally advanced that they require special provisions to meet their educational needs. Children under five who fit this definition may also be served.

Access: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/gt>

### ***GT World***

This is an on-line support community for gifted and talented individuals and those who support and nurture them.

Access: <http://www.gtworld.org>

### ***National Association for Child Development (NACD)***

The NACD is an international organization of professionals and other advocates dedicated to helping children and adults reach their full potential through the implementation of innovative individual programs

Access: <http://www.nacd.org>

### ***School Psychology Resources Online***

This site provides research about learning disabilities, ADHD, functional behavioral assessment, autism, adolescence, parenting, psychological assessment, special education, mental retardation, mental health, and more.

Access: <http://www.schoolpsychology.net>

### ***Special Education Advocate***

This is a site for parents, advocates, educators and others providing up-to-date information about special education law and advocacy for children with disabilities.

Access: <http://www.wrightslaw.com>

### ***Special Education Resources on the Internet***

A collection of internet accessible information resources of interest to those involved in the fields related to Special Education. This collection exists in order to make on-line special education resources more easily and readily available in one location.

Access: <http://seriweb.com/serihome.htm>

### ***TeachingLD***

TeachingLD is a service of the **Division for Learning Disabilities (DLD)** of the **Council for Exceptional Children**. DLD is the largest international professional organization focused on learning disabilities. The purpose of TeachingLD is to provide trustworthy and up-to-date resources about teaching students with learning disabilities.

Access: <http://www.dldcec.org>

### **Associations, Organizations & Societies**

#### ***Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA)***

Provides support to people with learning disabilities, their parents, teachers and other professionals.

Access: <http://www.ldanatl.org>

#### ***Learning Disabilities Association of North Carolina (LDANC)***

Supports equitable opportunities for people with learning disabilities.

Access: <http://www.ldanc.org>

#### ***National Association for Gifted Children***

Trains teachers, encourages parents and educates administrators and policymakers on how to develop and support gifted children.

Access: <http://www.nagc.org>

#### ***North Carolina Association for the Gifted and Talented***

Promotes and supports the development of academically/intellectually gifted students through dissemination of information and advocate on the behalf of these students.

Access: <http://www.ncagt.org>

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