



Use Thesaurus or Subject Terms in EBSCOhost

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WHY USE THESAURUS?

- Some databases have created a **Thesaurus** or **Subject Terms** which defines and arranges precise subject headings used in that specific discipline.
- Using a Thesaurus or Subject Terms helps your searches to be more focused and specific than a keyword search.

HOW DO I USE THESAURUS?

- **Thesaurus** or **Subject Terms** searches the list of authorized subject headings for the entered words.

New Search **Thesaurus** Cited References Indexes

Click on Thesaurus or Subject Terms in the toolbar at the top of the screen.

New Search Publications **Subject Terms** Cited References More ▾

Enter a search term in the textbox and click Browse.

Term Begins With Term Contains **Relevancy Ranked**

Click in a circle to select browse preference. Relevancy Ranked displays headings most closely related to your search term.

Select term, then add to search using: Explode Major Concept

(Click term to display details.) Click in the box to select one or more subject headings. Then click Add to place in the search box.

<input type="checkbox"/> Social Support		<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Approval		<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Mobility		<input type="checkbox"/>

Click on a heading to view all broader, narrower or related subject headings.

- ⇒ Click the box under **Explode** to include all related and narrower subject headings.
- ⇒ Click the box under **Major Concept** to restrict the search to articles where the selected subject heading is the main heading for the article.
- Multiple subject headings may be selected and combined with the appropriate Boolean operator to connect the headings.
- Click **Search** to view all citations related to the subject heading.

COMBINING SUBJECT HEADINGS

- Using **Advanced Search** a subject heading may be combined with other search terms or subject headings to narrow the search.
- Click on **Advanced Search** in the EBSCOhost toolbar.
- In PsycINFO when **Suggest Subject Terms** is checked, Advanced Search will search the thesaurus to suggest the best subject headings for your search.

WORKING WITH SEARCH RESULTS

Search results are returned in a list showing:

- Article Title
 - Author
 - Source
 - Published Date
- ⇒ Click article title to view the full citation or click HTML or PDF Full Text to view article.

TO CREATE A LIST OF CITATIONS

- Click the folder below each record, or click the folder icon while viewing the full citation.
- To view the folder contents, click on **Folder View** to the right of search results.

TO WORK WITH RESULTS LATER

- Click on the **Envelope** icon in EBSCOhost and enter your e-mail address in the form.
- Click on the **Disk** icon in EBSCOhost and follow the directions to save to your personal computer or USB drive.
- Click on the **Printer** icon in EBSCOhost, click **Print**, and **OK** in the Print box.
- For PDF Full Text, click on **Save** or **Print** in the Adobe® toolbar.

OBTAINING ARTICLES NOT IN FULL TEXT

- Click on **Check SFX for full text** OR use **Journals/E-Journals** on the Library website to search at the Jessie C. Eury Library for a specific publication in print.
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