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ERIC is a nationwide information network sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education designed to provide ready access to education literature. The ERIC database is the world's largest index to journal articles and documents in education, containing over 1,200,000 citations.

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Suite of databases that cover many topics, including education, science, health, women's interests, law, psychology, multiculturalism, and the social sciences. Many full text journals.

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Full-text scholarly database with broad subject coverage, including biology, chemistry, education, engineering, humanities, physics, psychology, religion & theology, sociology, and more. Collection includes over 8,000 titles, with more than 4,600 in full text.

#### **OVID**

Citations and full text medical and nursing journal articles.

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Abstracts of allied health and nursing content. From the Web site, "CINAHL is the authoritative resource for nursing and allied health professionals, students, educators and researchers." Very little full text.



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