

# PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH GUIDE

## PURPOSE

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The purpose of this document is to outline the available resources that Library Services provides to support students in psychology courses at Medicine Hat College. Please contact the library for further assistance.

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## ARTICLES

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You can locate journal, magazine, and newspaper articles using databases. These resources cannot commonly be accessed using standard search engines such as Bing, Google, Yahoo, etc.

Databases are located at: <http://www.mhc.ab.ca/en/Library/Resources/Databases.aspx>

Databases that you can employ specifically for your program include:

[Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection](#) [EBSCO]

- This database provides coverage of nearly 550 full text journals, including more than 500 peer-reviewed titles. A search option can be used to retrieve only peer-reviewed articles.

[ScienceDirect College Edition](#) [Elsevier B.V.]

- This database contains over 1800 full-text peer reviewed journals. The journals cover behavioral/social sciences, health/life sciences, and physical sciences. Select "Psychology" under 'Subject' before performing a search to narrow the results.

[Academic Search Complete](#) [EBSCO]

- This multidisciplinary database can be used for research on most topics. It includes over 5,000 full-text journals.

Depending on your topic, databases in sociology, health studies, or education may also be useful.

For an overview and search tips, go to our Database Tips How-To Guide:

[http://www.mhc.ab.ca/Library/Get\\_Assistance/~/\\_media/Files/library\\_documents/how\\_to\\_guides/general\\_research\\_guides/database\\_tips.pdf](http://www.mhc.ab.ca/Library/Get_Assistance/~/_media/Files/library_documents/how_to_guides/general_research_guides/database_tips.pdf)

## BOOKS & AUDIOVISUALS

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Search the library catalogue (<http://darius.uleth.ca/search~S2>) to find books and audiovisual resources on a topic.

Browse the library catalogue or shelves using these associated terms and call number ranges respectively:

- BF 1-990 Psychology
  - BF 636-637 Applied psychology
  - BF 698 Personality
- HM 1001-1281 [Social psychology](#)
- HV 6035-6197 [Criminal psychology](#)
- RC 435-571 [Psychiatry](#)
  - RC 475-489 Therapeutics. [Psychotherapy](#)
  - RC 500-510 [Psychoanalysis](#)
- RC 512-569.5 Psychopathology
  - RC 514 [Schizophrenia](#)
  - RC 516 Bipolar disorder – [Manic-depressive illness](#)
  - RC 521 [Dementia](#)
  - RC 523 [Alzheimer's disease](#)
  - RC 531 [Anxiety](#)
  - RC 533 [Obsessive compulsive disorder](#)
  - RC 537 [Depression](#)
  - RC 552 Eating disorders. [Anorexia](#). [Bulimia](#).
  - RC 553 Asperger's syndrome. [Autism](#)
  - RC 554-569.5 Personality disorders. Includes behavior problems, [sex addiction](#), [drug abuse](#), [suicide](#), [child abuse](#)

Recommended reference source:

American Psychiatric Association. (2000). *Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders: DSM-IV-TR* (4th ed., text revision). Washington, D.C.: Author.  
Library Reference Collection: RC 455.2 C4 D54 2000

## WEBSITES

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*American Psychological Association (APA)* (<http://www.apa.org>)

- Website of the American Psychological Association, the largest association of psychologists. The website includes news, research, education, and information on APA citation style.

*Alberta Health and Wellness* (<http://www.health.alberta.ca/>)

- This Government of Alberta website provides information about accessing health care services in the province. Information on health topics and services is available to health professionals and consumers.

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (<http://www.camh.net/index.html>)

- Affiliated with the University of Toronto, The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) is Canada's largest mental health and addiction teaching hospital. As a leading research centre internationally, CAMH provides research, policy, and education on addiction and mental health.

Canadian Mental Health Association (<http://www.cmha.ca>)

- The Canadian Mental Health Association promotes the mental health of all and supports the resilience and recovery of people experiencing mental illness. The CMHA accomplishes this mission through advocacy, education, research and service.

National Institute of Mental Health (<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/>)

- Part of the National Institutes of Health, this U.S. government site includes statistics, health information, publications, research, and education.

## OTHER HOW-TO GUIDES

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Library Services produces a number of how-to guides to assist you with academic writing (APA and MLA styles), Microsoft Office, research and technology guides, as well as class specific handouts.

Other how-to guides can be located at: [http://www.mhc.ab.ca/en/Library/Get\\_Assistance/How-To\\_Guides.aspx](http://www.mhc.ab.ca/en/Library/Get_Assistance/How-To_Guides.aspx)

## CONTACT LIBRARY SERVICES

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Library Services offers many points of assistance:

- In person (Information Desk)
- Telephone: 403-504-3544; Toll free: 1-866-282-8394 (ext. 3544)
- E-mail ([http://www.mhc.ab.ca/Library/Get\\_Assistance/Email.aspx](http://www.mhc.ab.ca/Library/Get_Assistance/Email.aspx))
- Instant Messenger (*Library Online Agents*; [http://www.mhc.ab.ca/Library/Get\\_Assistance/IM.aspx](http://www.mhc.ab.ca/Library/Get_Assistance/IM.aspx))
- Text Messaging: 403-866-5872