Accessing Library Resources

1. Start at: http://www.nova.edu/library/main

2. From the library home page, you can search for books, articles, journals, and research help guides
   - Use the NovaCat tab to search for books
   - Use the Articles tab to search for articles by topic
   - Use the Journal Finder tab to see if the library subscribes to a journal electronically
   - Use the Tutorials tab to find research and citation help guides

Finding Articles in the ERIC Database

To enter the ERIC Database:
1. From the library home page, click on the “Articles” tab
2. Then click on the “Databases by Subject Link”
3. Click on the “Education” link
4. Click on the “ERIC-ProQuest” link

Database Search Tips:
- Separate important concepts in your topic onto separate search lines. Connect these lines with ANDs.
- On each search line, use ORs to connect synonyms and expand search results.
- Use an asterisk (*) to truncate your search terms. For example, latin* will search for: latino, latina, latinos, etc.
- Use Quotation Marks to search for a phrase. Ex. “reading comprehension”
- Look for the option to limit to “scholarly journals” and “peer reviewed” sources.

Example Search:
Once you have results, use the bar on the right to limit by education level and year. Under document type choose **143 Reports – Research** for primary research.

### Getting to the Text of the Articles…

1. If the full-text of the article is not available in the database you are searching, follow the blue and white “FIND IT!” button to see if it is available online from another source.

2. If the article is not available, click the “ILLiad” link to request a copy through Interlibrary Loan/Document Delivery. (The article may take 2-15 business days depending on availability.)

### Need more help?

- Ask in Person
- Give Us a Call
- Write an Email
- Drop into Chat
- Text Us
- Make an Appointment