



Collier Library - Pathfinder

The UNIVERSITY of NORTH ALABAMA LIBRARIES

SPECIAL EDUCATION

SCOPE The purpose of this pathfinder is to introduce some of the resources available in Collier Library in the field of **SPECIAL EDUCATION**, more specifically Mental Retardation and Learning Disabilities. The various types of library materials useful in research are described along with some examples of each type. This pathfinder is not a comprehensive listing of sources, but is intended to be a starting point from which students can begin their research according to their specific needs.

BASIC INTRODUCTION OR OVERVIEW MATERIAL can be found in:

Clark, Barbara. **Growing Up Gifted: Developing the Potential of Children at Home and at School.** 2002.

LC 3993.9 .C58

Friend, Marilyn Penovich. **Interactions: Collaboration Skills for School Professionals.** 2003.

LC 3969.45 .F75

Friend, Marilyn Penovich. **Including Students with Special Needs: A Practical Guide for Classroom Teachers.** 2006.

Learning Res. Ctr 371.9046 Fri

Kavale, Kenneth A. **The Positive Side of Special Education: Minimizing its Fads, Fancies, and Follies.** 2004

LC 4019 .K38

Kirk, Samuel A. and James Gallagher. **Educating Exceptional Children.** 2003.

LC 3981 .K53

Mertens, Donna M. **Research and Evaluation Methods in Special Education.** 2004.

LC 4031 .M46

Russo, Charles and Allan G. Osborne, Jr. **Special Education and the Law: A Guide for Practitioners.** 2003.

KF 4209.3 .O82

BOOKS ON **SPECIAL EDUCATION--MR & LD** can be located by using some of the following SUBJECT HEADINGS which appear in UNACAT, the computerized listing of all the book collections.

ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY
ABILITY

LEARNING

DISORDER
EDUCATIONAL TESTS AND
MEASUREMENT
EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN
HYPERACTIVE CHILDREN
INTELLIGENCE TESTS

LEARNING DISABILITY
SPECIAL EDUCATION

OTHER SUBJECT HEADINGS can be identified by using:

Library of Congress Subject Headings.

(Latest edition, on dictionary stand in Reference Area)

BROWSING the following CALL NUMBERS may produce helpful titles.

Library of Congress

HV 3000's

LC 4000's

REFERENCE TOOLS which may be useful in **SPECIAL EDUCATION** that are found in the REFERENCE ROOM are:

ENCYCLOPEDIAS AND DICTIONARIES - provide brief definitions or concise overviews of the topics, often followed by a list of further references.

Vergason, Glenn. **Dictionary of Special Education and Rehabilitation.** 1997.

Ref LC 3957 .V47

Concise Encyclopedia of Special Education. 2002.

Ref LC 4007 .E53

Education and Sociology: an Encyclopedia. 2002.

Ref LC 189.95 E38

Encyclopedia of Learning Disabilities. 2002.

Ref LC 4704.5 .T86

Encyclopedia of Special Education. 2007. 3 vols.

Ref LC 4007 .E53

HANDBOOKS AND MANUALS cover broad subjects in a brief, concise manner and may include odd bits of information about a variety of topics. (They may also be referred to as a companion or compendium.)

Handbook of Mental Retardation and Development. 1998.

RJ 506 .M4 H36 also available in Electronic Book

Handbook of Special Education Technology Research and Practice. 2005

LC 4024 .H36

**Requirements for Certification of Teachers, Counselors, Librarians,
Administrators for Elementary Schools and Secondary Schools.** 2006/2007
Ref LB 1771 .W6
Learning Resources Ctr 371.144 Req

BIOGRAPHICAL SOURCES contain articles about the lives and works of various individuals.

American National Biography. (Online Database)

Biography and Genealogy Master Index. (Online Database)

Peltzman, Barbara. **Pioneers of Early Childhood Education: A Bio-bibliographic Guide.** 1998.
Ref Z 5814 .P6 P44

Who's Who in American Education. 1997.
Ref LA 2311 .W45

INDEXES AND ABSTRACTS that will help locate PERIODICAL ARTICLES and other papers in **SPECIAL EDUCATION** are:

ERIC (Online Database)

PsycINFO (Online Database)

EBSCOhost Academic Search Elite (Online Database)

EBSCOhost Professional Development Collection (Online Database)

ProQuest Education Complete (Online Database)

A few frequently-used PERIODICALS in **SPECIAL EDUCATION** are:

American Journal on Mental Retardation
Exceptional Children
Journal of Special Education
Mental Retardation
Teaching Exceptional Children
Remedial and Special Education: RASE

(Also SCAN ARTICLES in RECENT ISSUES that may not be indexed.)

PERIODICALS held by the library can be identified in the PERIODICALS HOLDINGS database on the library website at <http://www2.una.edu/library/index.html> or in UNACAT.

COMPUTERIZED SEARCHING – The library offers computer searches of various databases. Inquire at the Reference Desk for additional information.

INTERNET – For subject listings of Internet resources, see the Collier Library Web Page at: www2.una.edu/library/index.html

- Internet Resources Collection
- Education
- Special Education

INTERLIBRARY LOAN It is possible to borrow books or obtain copies of articles from other libraries if the material is unavailable locally. Inquire at the Reference Desk or consult the library's web site for the policy information and request forms at:
<http://www2.una.edu/library/illindex.htm>.

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