

Psychology & Social Sciences

Resources in the Library

This guide gives a basic introduction to Psychology & Social Sciences resources available at City Library. You may visit the **Library Site** to find analytical information on our collections, services, facilities, resources, latest news and developments.

The Library Staff is available, from 9:00 to 21:00 daily, and 10:00 – 14:00 on Saturdays, to assist you in using the library site, the catalogues, the electronic information resources and to help you find useful resources, for your research.

BOOKS

Book Collection

The Psychology and Social Sciences collections are stored on the second and third floors. You may find books shelved in one of the below collections:

The Main Collection: contains all books available for loan. Material included in the Main Collection may be borrowed, reserved, renewed or recalled if on loan.

The Reserve Collection: includes items (such as textbooks, books, personal copies of items, journal articles and/or photocopies, disks, audiovisual materials, past exams, links to URL's for electronic resources, etc) selected by the Academic staff with the purpose to further support academic learning and improve quality of education. The Library holds both a "traditional" Reserve Collection, and an Electronic Reserve System that provides online access to material uploaded to Claroline, the CITY's E-Learning Management System. The items of the "traditional" Reserve Collection are maintained in a separate location within the Library, and access to them is more limited than is the access to items in general circulation.

The Short Loan Collection: includes items, such as recommended readings from syllabi of units, items which for a certain period of time are in-demand for class or group assignments and material to support tutorials. The Library adds items to this collection on the basis of tutorial lists received from academic staff and additionally, transfers books that are in high demand by students for assignments and projects. Access to Short Loan material is far more restricted than is the access to items in general circulation.

Finding Books

1. Visit CITY's web site at: www.city.academic.gr
2. Click on the **Library** link, and
3. Finally, use the **Library Catalogue** to search

The Online **Library Catalogue** contains information about material held by the library, such as books, periodicals, theses and audio-visual material. You can use it to search for specific titles or authors, or you may perform a specific subject search.

Book Location

Always use the Library Catalogue to find out whether a certain book you are looking for is part of the book collection and if so, where it is shelved.

The Library uses the Dewey Decimal Classification scheme to sort the book collection. The 'classification' or 'call' numbers of each book is very important in helping you locate the material you are looking for on the shelves.

The following classification numbers are of particular interest to students of the Psychology Department:

Classification Numbers	Subject Categories
150	Psychology
153	Cognitive Psychology
155	Developmental Psychology
153.4	Memory & Thought
155.4	Child Development
158.3	Counselling Psychology
150.72	Statistics (Psychology)
300 - 306	Social Sciences
302	Social Psychology
612.8	Psychobiology
616.8	Neuropsychology
616.89	Psychological Disorders
616.89	Abnormal Psychology
808.06	Research Methods & Techniques
158.7 & 658.3	Psychology of Work

Detailed classification guides of Psychology & Social Sciences subject areas may be found if you visit the Library's web pages and choose **Library & Information Services**, then **Locating material in the Library**, and finally **Classification guides**. Alternatively, printed subject guides, may be requested from the Information Services Desk.

A monthly list of **New Books** in Psychology & Social Sciences acquired by the Library, is located at "Library News" Web pages.

Browsing the shelves

Books on a similar topic are shelved at a similar place. Therefore, if you know the classification number of one relevant book, you will find on those shelves other relevant books as well. Remember that certain subjects can be viewed from a variety of aspects, so you will not find all the relevant books in a single place in the Library.

e.g. “organizational psychology” may be found both under the classification numbers 658.3 and 158.7.

Ebooks

NetLibrary: The Library has purchased the eBook collection of “The Health Library”, at Stanford. This is a collection of eBooks covering a variety of subject areas, including health sciences & medicine, psychology & psychiatry and other social sciences. In addition, when you search the ebook collection you will note an option for accessing - *publicly accessible ebooks* - which includes many classic eBooks in the fields of literature and history, as well as speeches, government documents, and other resources.

PsycBOOKS: is a new full-text database of books and chapters in the American Psychological Association's array of quality electronic databases. The initial release in August 2004, features approximately 600 books: more than 500 APA books with copyright dates from 1950-2003, including 100 out-of-print books; 75 archival resources in psychology; and the exclusive electronic release of more than 1,500 entries from the APA/Oxford University Press *Encyclopedia of Psychology*.

Additional material

Study Packs: The Study Packs include material selected by the Academic staff that further support class instruction and are expected to be read by all students that attend a particular unit.

Claroline: is CITY’s new e-learning management system that gradually replaced Intranet facility. The system facilitates students to have access on unit details, coursework, class notes, on-line chat, discussion boards, collaborative tools etc.

Reference Material

The Reference collection consisting of dictionaries, manuals, tests and other key general reference resources, are kept in front of the Library Issue Desk, on the second floor.

Useful reference books are:

- The Penguin Dictionary of Psychology
- Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association

Journals / Periodicals

Finding Journal Articles

Using Printed Periodicals to find articles

There are two ways to find journal articles relevant to the subject you are searching for. The first way is to browse through the full list of printed periodicals held by the library. To find out whether the library subscribes to a particular periodical, go to the Library website, click on **Library Catalogue**, enter the title, and then choose the category "Serial (Periodical, Newspaper, etc)". The full entry for the title will tell you what the periodical's holdings are (i.e. volumes, years), and its precise location. Once you have located the periodical on the shelves, search through the Table of Contents of each issue, to find articles relevant to the subject of your interest.

Alternatively, a full list of the printed Psychology & Social Sciences, that the Library subscribes to, may be found at: Library & Information Services>Library Collections>Periodical Collection> Psychology & Social Sciences, web pages.

Printed Periodicals Location

Current issues of Psychology & Social Sciences periodicals are shelved alphabetically by title on the third floor. If you cannot find a particular volume ask for assistance at the Library Issue Desk. Previous years issues and bound periodicals are kept in a special reserved area located on the third floor.

Some periodicals related to your studies are:

- British Journal of Educational Psychology
- Cognitive Neuropsychology
- Journal of Applied Psychology
- Media, Culture and Society
- Psychology Today

Using Electronic Information Resources to find articles

The second way to locate journal articles is to search the library's Electronic Information Resources (EIR). EIR house an extensive collection of fulltext and bibliographic databases, electronic journals, digital libraries and stand-alone CD-Roms. These contain the full journal articles, many of which you can view on the web, print or download.

The Library Website, includes pages which list, electronic resources for all subject areas. For viewing these lists, go the Library homepage, choose **Library & Information Services**, and then **Electronic Information Resources**. At the **Support & Skills** library web pages, you may find relevant user guides for all electronic information resources.

The Electronic Information Resources available for Psychology students are:

Online Services

Psychology & Behavioural Sciences Collection: a comprehensive database providing more than 500 full text publications. The database covers topics such as emotional and behavioral characteristics, psychiatry & psychology, mental processes, anthropology, and observational and experimental methods. Examples of publications include: *Current Psychology*, *European Journal of Cognitive Psychology*, *International Journal of Psychotherapy*, *International Journal of Social Psychiatry*, *Journal of Clinical & Experimental Neuropsychology*, *Journal of Clinical Child Psychology*, *Journal of Cognitive Neurosciences*, and many more. Full text information in this database dates as far back as 1965.

PsychINFO: produced by the American Psychological Association (APA), PsyInfo, covers literature that is relevant to psychology. In addition to "core" psychology, PsycINFO contains abstracts on behavioral topics from related disciplines. You can find references about, business, organizational behavior, consumer behavior, human behavior, and many more. PsycINFO is updated monthly.

PsycARTICLES: a definitive source of searchable full text articles on current issues in psychology. The PsycARTICLES database covers general psychology and specialized, basic, applied, clinical and theoretical research in psychology. The database contains more than 25,000 searchable full text articles from 40 journals published by the APA and 9 from allied organizations. It contains all journal articles, letters to the editor and errata from each of the 49 journals. Coverage spans from 1988 to the present.

PsycEXTRA: a companion to the scholarly PsycINFO database, supplies clinicians, information professionals, policy-makers, researchers, and consumers with a wide variety of credible information in psychology, behavioral science, and health. Most of the coverage is material written for professionals and disseminated outside of peer-reviewed journals. PsycEXTRA is different from PsycINFO in its coverage, and also in its format, because it includes abstracts and citations plus full text for a major portion of the records. There is no overlap with PsycINFO.

Cochrane Collection: provides high quality data to inform those providing and receiving care, and those responsible for research, teaching, funding, and administration at all levels. The Cochrane Collection includes:

1. **Cochrane Controlled Trials Register**, includes reports published in conference proceedings and in many other sources not currently listed in MEDLINE® or other bibliographic databases. This database is updated quarterly.

2. **Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews**, contains full text articles, as well as protocols focusing on the effects of healthcare. This database is updated quarterly.

3. The Database of Abstracts of Reviews of Effectiveness (DARE), includes abstracts of published systematic reviews on the effects of health care from around the world, which have been critically analyzed according to a high standard of criteria. It provides access to quality reviews in subjects for which a Cochrane review may not yet exist.

FirstSearch Databases: an online reference search tool, that gives access to a rich collection of more than 10 million fulltext and full-image articles. FirstSearch offers access to a variety of databases, including:

ArticleFirst: OCLC index of articles from the contents pages of journals

ClasePeriodica: Index of Latin American journals in sciences & humanities

ECO: An OCLC collection of scholarly journals

ERIC: Journal articles and reports in education

GPO: U.S. government publications

MEDLINE: All areas of medicine, including dentistry and nursing

PapersFirst: OCLC index of papers presented at conferences worldwide

Proceedings: An OCLC index of worldwide conference proceedings

WorldAlmanac: Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia and four almanacs

WorldCat: OCLC catalog of books and other materials in libraries worldwide

How to access Online Services

To access the above databases do the following:

1. Visit CITY's web site at: <http://www.city.academic.gr>
2. Click on the "Library" icon to access the Library's Webpages
3. Click on "Online Services" to link to the databases of your interest

Note: Ebscohost and FirstSearch databases may be accessed outside the college network. Remote access is password protected and is allowed only to staff and students of the college.

Networked Databases

Periodical Abstracts Ondisc: provides access mainly to abstracts from over 510 Scientific Journals, Periodicals and Newspapers, covering many subject areas, including Science & Technology, Art, Business, Law, Health, Religion, Social Sciences, Humanities, Education and General Science. The Collection includes material from 1994 to 1998.

How to access Networked Databases

Network databases are available from the Library Computer Workstation at Proxenou Koromila Building. You must first approach the Library Issue Desk to book the time and day you wish to use these services.

Interlibrary Loan Services (National / International)

What is Inter-Library Loan

This service offers the possibility to students, researchers and academics, to obtain material, including: articles, extracts of books, reports, and conference proceedings, that are not available at the college library.

Procedure

To proceed with the request, the user must first fill in an Order Form, including all bibliographic details of the material (author, title, etc.), as well as personal details (name, address, etc.). Requested material will be received within 2-15 days. For further details, you may contact the Information Services Desk (anagnostopoulou@city.academic.gr).

Online Conference Proceedings

- **PapersFirst** the OCLC index of papers presented at conferences worldwide, available online from FirstSearch databases.
- **Proceedings**, an OCLC index of worldwide conference proceedings, available online from FirstSearch databases.
- Some conferences publish their proceedings free on the Internet. Try searching a good search engine like Google (<http://www.google.com>)

Internet Sites

Below is a brief selection of Internet resources. You may use the Library's Webpages to visit a catalogue of useful Internet Resources, for a variety of subject areas.

APA Style - <http://www.apastyle.org/elecref.html>

Advice and guidelines on the citation of electronic media, including commonly asked questions.

British Academy Portal - <http://www.britac.ac.uk/portal/index.html>

A directory of online resources in the humanities and social sciences.' Includes a section on psychology resources.

Classics in the History of Psychology - <http://psychclassics.yorku.ca/index.htm>

Collection of historically significant documents and papers from the scholarly literature of psychology and allied disciplines. Over 25 books and about 200 articles are available online, along with links to over 200 relevant works posted on other sites.

Internet Psychologist -

<http://www.vts.rdn.ac.uk/tutorial/psychologist/>

A free "teach yourself" tutorial on Internet information skills for psychologists. It covers the key information skills for the Internet environment including how to use the Internet to help with coursework, literature searching, teaching or research.

Psybox Dictionary of Psychology -

http://www.psybox.com/web_dictionary/dictionaryWebindex.htm

The Web's biggest online dictionary of Psychology.

Psycline - - <http://www.psycline.org/journals/psycline.html>

A guide to psychology & social science journals on the Web.

Psych Web - <http://www.psychwww.com/>

Offers a wealth of materials for students and researchers in psychology. Includes a searchable journals database offering links to hundreds of online journals, some of which offer free, full-text access.

Psychwatch - <http://www.psychwatch.com/index.htm>

Multi-media gateway for the mental health profession. Audience includes psychiatrists, psychologists and other mental health practitioners, both professional and students. Links to online textbooks and papers.

Psychology Virtual Library -

<http://www.clas.ufl.edu/users/gthursby/psi/>

Gateway site providing quality listings of online psychology information. Part of the World Wide Web Virtual Library.

SOSIG - Social Science Information Gateway - <http://www.sosig.ac.uk/>

This service aims to provide a trusted source of selected, high quality Internet information for researchers and practitioners in the social sciences, business and law. It is part of the UK Resource Discovery Network.

Publisher's Sites

American Psychiatric Press - <http://www.appi.org/index.cfm>

The leading publisher of books, journals, and other media related to psychiatry and mental health. Full details are available online.

Worth Publishers - Psychology -

<http://www.worthpublishers.com/psychology/>

Worth is the publisher of market leading psychology textbooks. This site provides links to companion sites for their books, an online catalogue and an email contact facility.

Associations

American Psychological Association - <http://www.apa.org>

The homepage of the American Psychological Association which includes information for the general public as well as for professional psychologists and students. One particularly useful feature is the PsychCrawler service, which allows you to search the rest of the World Wide Web (including electronic journals for psychology-related resources).

American Psychological Society - <http://www.psychologicalscience.org>

The usual details of conferences and publications, an employment bulletin, and links to other related societies and resources.

British Neuropsychological Society - <http://www.hop.man.ac.uk/bns/>

Professional body for those interested in clinical and cognitive neuropsychology.

British Psychological Society - <http://www.bps.org.uk>

These pages include a directory of BPS members, information about job vacancies, forthcoming conferences etc; and at the time of producing this guide, details of plans for an on-line version of the BPS magazine "The Psychologist".

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