

The ERIC Thesaurus

1.) Browse the ERIC Thesaurus

1. Choose "Thesaurus" from the blue menu bar at the top of the page.

2.) Identify ERIC Thesaurus Descriptors

1. Type a keyword in the "Browsing" box. (e.g., educational politics)
2. Make sure the "Relevancy Ranked" radio button is selected and click "Browse."
3. The results may show the keyword and the assigned descriptor with the term "use." (e.g., Educational Politics **Use** Politics of Education)
4. The hyperlinked heading appears below. (e.g., Politics of Education)
5. Clicking the ERIC Thesaurus Descriptor provides additional information such as a scope note (definition) and related terms to qualify the search if needed.

3.) Search ERIC Descriptors

1. Use the check box to select the preferred descriptor.
2. Locate "Select term, then add to search using:" slightly above the area with the preferred descriptor.
3. From the drop down menu choose "and" and click "Add."
4. In the "Searching" box, a descriptor now appears. (e.g., **DE "Politics of Education"**)
5. Click "Search."

4.) Limit the Search

1. A page with the search and a results list will appear. If the results are too numerous, the search may need to be refined or limiters may need to be set.
2. On the left side of the screen, find the column labeled "Refine your results."
3. Set the appropriate limiters.

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Choose "Thesaurus" from the blue menu bar at the top of the page.

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in Select a Field (optional) Search Clear ?

AND in Select a Field (optional)

AND in Select a Field (optional) Add Row

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Select term, then add to search using: OR Add

(Click term to display details.)

Educational Politics Use Politics of Education

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Politics of Education

Scope Note

Broader Terms

Related Terms

Political aspects of governance and decision making within educational systems and institutions, and political activities related to education in general

Politics

School Community Relationship

School Law

School Policy

Board Administrator Relationship

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Searching: ERIC [Choose Databases >](#)

DE "Politics of Education"

Click "Search."

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The screenshot displays the EBSCO search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for "New Search", "Thesaurus", and "Indexes". Below this, the search bar contains the query "DE 'Politics of Education'" and a dropdown menu set to "Select a Field (optional)". A red box with the text "A page with the search and a results list will appear." points to the search bar area. The search results section shows "8993 Results for..." circled in red. To the left, a "Refine your results" column contains several filters: "Full Text" (checkbox), "Available on microfiche" (checkbox), "Peer Reviewed" (checkbox), and a "Publication Date" range from 1978 to 2010. A red box with the text "If the results are too numerous, find the column labeled 'Refine your results' and set the appropriate limiters." points to these filter options. The main results list shows a single entry: "1. [Should Intelligent Design Be Included in Today's Public School C](#)" by Costley, Kevin C.; Killins, Pam. Online Submission. 2010 8 pp. (ED510607). Below the entry are options for "Full Text from ERIC" and "Add to folder".