## Reference Review

## **DATABASE**

## EBSCO Education Source Ultimate

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Cost EBSCO Education Source Ultimate is subscription-based, and pricing is available upon request. Pricing and a free trial of the product can be requested at: www.ebsco.com/request-information

**Content** This comprehensive online resource offers an extensive array of peer-reviewed, full-text journals dedicated to education research. Users, including education students and professionals, can delve into and analyze information across all levels of education and specialized areas. EBSCO Education Source Últimate grants access to a meticulously curated selection of Open Access (OA) journals and features a diverse library of international content. Alongside full-text journals, the content includes videos from SimpleK12, providing practical online teacher training that seeks to enlighten users about the evolving landscape of education. With EBSCO Education Source Ultimate, education students leverage EBSCO's Enhanced Subject Precision (ESP) mapping to efficiently acquire information. ESP fills a significant gap for end users by considering natural language in retrieving information for queries.

When launching EBSCO Education Source Ultimate, users encounter a familiar database interface featuring a prominently displayed search field at the center of the screen. This serves as a versatile starting point, enabling a keyword search that retrieves resources from the extensive articles, books, and journal collection within Education Source Ultimate.

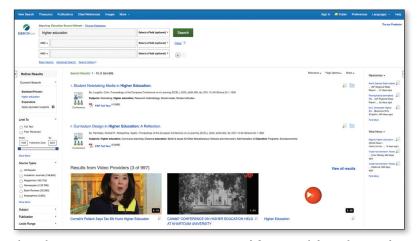
For a more refined search experience, users can utilize the Advanced Search option. This feature allows input of various criteria, such as keywords, phrases, authors, subject terms, and more, facilitating a granular search. Advanced search extends its functionality with Boolean Operators like AND, OR, and NOT, enabling users to combine or exclude specific terms, refining search results.

Both basic and advanced search fields offer essential filters, including options for peer-reviewed content, publication time range, and Online Full Text. Once a keyword search is executed, results are listed along with a total count displayed at the top of the webpage. Users can scroll down to

browse results or further narrow the search using various filters located alongside the search field.

Each result entry includes the resource title, a brief description, subject terms, publishing details, and authors. Clicking on "View details" opens a comprehensive profile page for the resource, featuring the full abstract and a downloadable PDF version. Additional amenities on this profile page include citations, download options, the ability to add to a project, and various sharing options. The latter is particularly convenient, offering integration with platforms such as Google Drive, Google Classroom, OneDrive, along with a user-friendly copy link feature.

er-friendly link. EBSCO has meticulously curated its information, ensuring a focus on education, accessibility, and abundance, delivering students a rich repository of quality content for their research needs. Education Source Ultimate boasts 1,596 full-text journals, exclusive to this platform and not found in Academic Search, along with over 4,400 full-text education-related conference papers. These thoroughly vetted and curated journal articles and conference papers contribute to the impressive wealth of information housed in this platform. The content within Education Source Ultimate empowers students to explore education specialties through a diverse array of resources presented in their



When choosing to view a resource, users can click on either the "Access Now (PDF)" button or the "Download" button. Both options deliver a PDF document presenting the journal article in its original format as it appeared in the journal.

In the case of selecting a video as an information source, users can view a transcript and closed captioning to ensure accessibility. Additionally, these videos can be cited for student work, with citation formats such as APA, MLA, Chicago, or Harvard available within EBSCO products.

For a more personalized learning experience, education students have the option to add the article to their project boards. This feature allows them to curate and organize resources according to their specific learning goals.

End users can explore specialized education subjects such as evaluation, assessment, information technology, and literacy standards, offering valuable perspectives and categories for students conducting research.

Students and Teachers EBSCO Education Source Ultimate seamlessly integrates with Google Classroom and other Learning Management Systems (LMS) through a usoriginal formats. While predominantly comprised of full-text articles, these resources may also include videos, offering online training for educators and imparting practical knowledge to users about the ever-evolving dynamics of the education landscape.

**Verdict** This platform, though unassuming, is a comprehensive resource appreciated by education students, whether involved in teacher pathway high school programs or higher education institutions. Its wide-ranging collection of materials offers relevant context for education studies. Professionals active in the education sphere may find value in its high-quality content for continuing education. Whether in a high school environment focused on education pathways or a higher learning institution, this database proves to be a valuable asset. Additionally, it serves as an excellent tool for project-based learning. The user-friendly basic and advanced searches facilitate easy browsing, and the content is relevant for high school students. Overall, it constitutes a valuable supplement to an EBSCO subscriber's collection of databases.

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