ERIC (Education Resources Information Center) is a database of education field sponsored by The U.S. Department of Education. There are journal articles and technical reports in database.

**<How to access>**
1. Open Nagoya University Library homepage [http://www.nul.nagoya-u.ac.jp/index_e.html](http://www.nul.nagoya-u.ac.jp/index_e.html).
2. In Quick Links section select “Search Articles” and select “EBSCOhost”.
3. Click on the “ERIC” on the EBSCOhost databases select screen.
   ※You can change the display language to move mouse pointer over [Languages](#) on the upper right side of the screen.

**<How to search>**
1. Enter search word(s) in search box. If you want to use logical operators (AND, OR, NOT), use several search boxes. Click on [+] you can increase search boxes.
2. If needed, set search criteria.
   **Select a Field**
   **Limit your results**
   Choose the search field such as “Author”, “Descriptors”, or “Education Level”.
   Such as “Full Text” or “Publication Date”. You can also use the limiters specific to ERIC (e.g. “Education Level”, “Intended Audience”).
3. Click on [Search]

   ![Search screen](image)

   On the upper left side of the screen other search functions are displayed. In ERIC you can use thesaurus terms. For details, refer to [Search using thesaurus terms](#)

   ![Search using thesaurus terms](image)

**<Search hints: devising your search>**
1. Replace a part of search word with symbol/ use multiple search words as phrase
   - Truncation
     - ex.) “pharm”* → all words starting with pharm
   - # → Replace one or zero characters
     - ex.) colo#r → color and colour
   - " " → Search multiple words as phrase
     - ex.) “project based learning”
2. Set logical relation between search words
   - AND → A and B → include both A and B
   - OR → A or B → include either A or B
   - NOT → A not B → include A, exclude B
<Search results>

On the search result screen, information on the articles matching search criteria is displayed.

1. Bibliographic information on the article (e.g. title, authors, journal title). Point mouse over 📚 to read the abstract. For more detailed information, click on the article title.
2. ERIC number of the article. It is necessary to ask for copies from other libraries. The first letter in ERIC number indicates the type of materials.
   - EJ000000: Journal
   - ED000000: Document (e.g. Reports, proceedings)
3. Click on 📚 to read full text of the article. If there is no link to full text, click on 📚 to find out the availability of the journal (e−journal or printed version) in Nagoya University.
4. Change the result list order and number of results per page. By default view order is set by “Relevance”.
5. Set additional criteria to refine search results, such as “Linked Full Text”, “Source Types”, “Subject”, or “Publication”.

![Search Results](image)

(4) Change the display layout

(5) Limit results

<Search using thesaurus terms>

Here thesaurus means controlled vocabulary. Controlled term means representative concept of words which has many expressions, as synonyms or spelling variants. Using thesaurus terms you can get more precise results. Order search of thesaurus is as following.
1. Click on Thesaurus in menu
2. Thesaurus terms search box will be displayed. Enter the words you want to search and click Browse.
3. List of thesaurus terms will be displayed. Click on appropriate term to view detailed information.

⚠️ image on the left means that articles on “Intercultural Education” indexed as “Multicultural Education”. In this case, click on “Multicultural Education” to show the list again.

4. Check required terms and click Add, selected terms will be reflected in ERIC search box. Click on Search to search articles.