

Social Work

Subject Research Guide

Contained within this document are selected resources at the Monmouth University Library useful for locating information in the field of Social Work. For additional resources, search the Library catalog or call the reference desk at 732.571.3438.

See these other subject research guides also: **Psychology, Social Welfare Policy, and Sociology**

Finding Books

Visit <http://millenium.monmouth.edu/search.html> to find books in the Monmouth University Online Library Catalog.

For help using the Catalog, go to the Library Help Pages <http://library.monmouth.edu/help/tutorial/tutorial3.htm>

Search Tips

Social Work theories and topics should be searched as "**Keyword**" to maximize the number of references to a topic.

When a subject heading is known, search the "**Subject Heading**" index. Examples of Library of Congress Subject Headings are: "social service", "psychiatric social work" and "public welfare". You can also type "social work" under the "**Subject Heading**" index which will give you an alphabetical listing and links to help you determine more subject terms.

Reference Books

Specialized Encyclopedias

REF BF31 E52 2000 *Encyclopedia of Psychology* (8 vols.)

REF H41 S63 2004 *Social Science Encyclopedia* (2 vols.)

REF HM425 E5 2000 *Encyclopedia of Sociology* (5 vols.)

REF HQ1061 E53 2001 *Encyclopedia of Aging* (2 vols.)

- REF HV12 E497 2005 *Encyclopedia of Social Welfare*
- REF HV35 S6 1995 *Encyclopedia of Social Work* (3 vols., supps. 1997, 2003)
*also available online here: <http://www.oxford-naswsocialwork.com/>
- REF HV5804 E53 2001 *Encyclopedia of Drugs, Alcohol, and Addictive Behavior* (4 vols.)
- REF HV6017 E52 2002 *Encyclopedia of Crime and Justice* (4 vols.)
- REF HV6017 E5295 2005 *Encyclopedia of Criminology* (3 vols.)
- REF HV9104 E58 2003 *Encyclopedia of Juvenile Justice*
- REF RC437 K34 2001 *Encyclopedia of Mental Health*

Handbooks & Dictionaries

- REF Career HV10.5 D63 2004 *Social Work Career Development: A Handbook*
- REF HV11 H342 2001 *Handbook of Social Work Research Methods*
- REF HV12 B37 2003 *Social Work Dictionary*
- REF HV40 S6464 2002 *Social Workers' Desk Reference*
- REF HV51 P33 2004 *Statistical Handbook on the Social Safety Net*
- REF HV6626.2 H36 2002 *Handbook of Domestic Violence*

Finding Journal Articles

Visit <http://library.monmouth.edu/researchdb/researchdb.php> to locate databases and journal articles available at Monmouth University.

Databases specific to Social Work are found on the Research Database page under the alphabetical subject listing:

- **CQ Congress Collection** – Search public policy legislation, biographical and other data about members of Congress, voting data and analytical information on the role and impact of Congress in government (1945+)
- **CQ Researcher** – Non-partisan, concise reports on 44 different topics of national interest (1991-present)

- **eHRAF** – Contains over 400,000 pages of information on all aspects of cultural and social life
- **Family & Society Studies Worldwide** – Covers research, policy, and practice literature in the fields of Family Science, Human Ecology, Human Development, and Social Welfare (1970+)
- **FC Search** – Search for grants. Library use only (CD-ROM)
- **Science Direct** – Full text scientific, technical and medical articles
- **Social Work Abstracts** – Covers topics such as homelessness, AIDS, child and family welfare, aging, substance abuse, and community organization (1977+)
- **SocINDEX with Full Text** – Contains records with subject headings from a 15,000-term sociology-specific thesaurus designed by subject experts and lexicographers. It also has abstracts for hundreds of other journals
- **Wiley InterScience** – Full-text access to certain journals available via Wiley InterScience

Web Sites

Child Welfare Review <http://www.childwelfare.com/kids/news.htm>

Fedstats: For gathering statistics across 70 government agencies
<http://www.fedstats.gov/>

GPO Access: The Government Printing Office's searchable database for government publications, with many recent publications available on online
<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/index.html>

Information for Practice <http://www.nyu.edu/socialwork/ip>

PRAXIS Resources for Social and Economic Development
<http://www.sp2.upenn.edu/~restes/praxis.html>

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime <http://www.unodc.org/>

U.S. Census Bureau <http://www.census.gov>

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- See the Library's hours at <http://library.monmouth.edu/about/about.php#hours>
- Call the reference desk at **732.571.3438**.

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