Sources in
TESTS & MEASUREMENTS

This guide lists a selection of the more important sources of information on Tests & Measurements available at Concordia Libraries. It includes library databases, online resources and e-books, as well as print materials held in the Webster Library (WEB) on the Sir George Williams Downtown Campus, and in the Vanier Library (VAN) on the Loyola Campus. Most of the print materials are located in the Reference area (REF). This is not a complete list. Additional resources may be found by searching CLUES, the library catalogue.

One of the purposes of this guide is to help you to locate educational and psychological testing instruments. Please note that the majority of commercially published instruments must be purchased from the publisher. In some cases, it may be possible for you to contact the author or the publisher in order to obtain permission to use the test. Unpublished tests are available as appendices to journal articles, research reports, theses and dissertations, or from the author.

This guide also includes resources that provide descriptions and reviews of tests, attitude scales and questionnaires. If you are experiencing difficulty locating relevant material, please ask your Subject Librarian for assistance or check with the librarian at the Reference Desk.

For more information, consult the Research Guides by Subject available on the Libraries’ Web site at http://library.concordia.ca/research/subjects/ or contact the reference librarian.

I. Library Databases for Locating Educational and Psychological Tests

* Go to Databases (Articles & more) on the Libraries’ home page: http://library.concordia.ca

ERIC *
The ERIC database covers citations and abstracts of journal articles and other research literature (ERIC documents) in education and related fields. The abstracts usually indicate whether the instrument is included in the text of the journal article or in the ERIC document. Search ERIC by the type of test you are looking for, e.g. learning strategies, then select from the available Search options, Document Type 160 Tests/questionnaires.

PsycINFO *
The PsycINFO database covers citations and abstracts of journal articles, books and dissertations in Psychology. Some of these sources may contain the instrument used in the study. The name of the instrument is generally listed in the Tests and Measures field.

A good search strategy to use with either of these databases is to search by the type of test that you are looking for, e.g. learning strategies. Once you have found a reasonable number of citations you can limit the search using one of the terms listed below:

- Assessment
- Attitude-Measures
- Cognitive-Measurement
- Measurements-Techniques
- Measures
- Methodology
- Personality-Measures
- Psychometrics
- Quantitative-Methods
- Questionnaires
- Rating-Scales
- Research-Methodology
- Screening-Tests
- Surveys
- Test-Construction
- Test-Items
- Test-Reliability
- Test-Selection
- Test-Validity
- Tests

ProQuest Dissertations and Theses – Full Text *
The full text of North American dissertations and theses are provided here from 1997 onward. The titles of the instruments used in dissertations and theses are often listed in the abstracts. The complete instrument is sometimes included in the Appendices to the dissertation or thesis. It is advisable to search this database by keyword, e.g. learning strategies and instruments.
II. Online Resources for Locating Educational and Psychological Tests

Test Link (Educational Testing Service) is a free searchable database which contains the descriptions and availability information for over 20,000 tests and others measurement instruments.

Below is a quick guide for obtaining copies of tests at Concordia Libraries using TestLink. Please note that most of these tests are commercially published and are only available for purchase by contacting the test publisher or sometimes by contacting the test author directly. Many of these tests are out of print and are not generally available. However, there are a number of sources for obtaining tests via TestLink: Tests in Microfiche, Journal Articles and Books, and ERIC Documents. Please find below the procedures to follow when using TestLink:

You can search TestLink by the title of the testing instrument, by keywords in the title, or by ERIC Descriptor. The source for locating copies of these tests is usually found in the Availability section of the TestLink record.

1. Tests in Microfiche

If Tests in Microfiche appears in the Availability field of the TestLink record, take note of the test title (e.g. Learning Strategies Questionnaire)

The Tests in Microfiche collection (1975-2004) is available at the Webster Library Periodicals & Media Services (3rd floor). The tests, listed in alphabetical order by title, are located in a microfiche cabinet.

Tests in Microfiche call number and location: M/FICHE BF 431 T42+ WEB Webster 3rd floor

2. Journal Articles and Books

TestLink retrieves tests that are included as appendices in journal articles or books. The Availability field lists the journal title, volume and date of publication; and for books, the title and date of publication. Search CLUES by Journal Title or by the book’s Title to determine if Concordia has a copy in its collection.

3. ERIC Documents

TestLink retrieves tests that are available as ERIC Documents. The Eric Document (ED) number appears in the Availability field. Take note of the ED number and the date of publication. Most ERIC Documents published since 1993 are available electronically directly from the ERIC database. Earlier documents are also in the process of being digitized.

Connect to ERIC and type in the complete ED number in the search window (e.g. ED496125), then click on the Search button. To view the full text of the document that includes the test, click on Link to full text. ERIC Documents created prior to 1993 that have not yet been digitized are all located in the ERIC microfiche collection. The complete collection dating from 1966-2002 is available at Webster Library Periodicals & Media Services, Microfiche Cabinets, 3rd floor. The microfiche are filed numerically by ED number (e.g. ED130000).

Tests and Measures in the Social Sciences: Tests available in compilation volumes

A searchable index of over 12,000 individual tests, measures, and instruments, the fulltext of which have been reproduced in 128 published book compilations. Search CLUES by title of the book compilation to see if Concordia Libraries owns a copy.

III. Locating Tests – Additional Sources

The Applied Psychology Centre:
The Centre has a collection of tests used in clinical psychology. Public use is extremely restricted. Please address your requests to Dr. Lucie Bonneville, Acting Director; tel: (514) 848-2424 ext. 5189. Location: Room PY-111 (Loyola Campus).

Institut de Recherches Psychologiques Tests can be purchased through the Institut located at 34 rue Fleury Ouest; tel: (514) 382-3000. Tests are available to students at Masters level or higher, and require authorization from a faculty member.
IV. Test Descriptions and Reviews

The following sources will help you to identify relevant tests and measurements that are used in the fields of education, psychology, health and business. Most of the print materials are located in the Reference area (REF) of either Webster or Vanier Libraries. The list is not exhaustive; additional sources can be found using the online catalogue, CLUES. Try a Keyword or a Subject Headings search. Some useful search terms are listed in Section VI below.

Information on measures currently used to assess mental health (goals, description, practical issues, psychometric properties, clinical utility, references and selected readings).

Buros Institute. *Mental measurements yearbook.*
Provides critical reviews of commercially published psychological, vocational, educational and developmental tests. References are given to journal articles and other publications that may include a copy of the test.

Inventory of Rapid Assessment Instruments for psychology, social work and counselling. Provides background for selecting and administering tests. Instruments and interpretive data are included in the text.


Fabiano, E. (1989). *Index to tests used in educational dissertations.*
Indexes educational dissertations abstracted by Dissertations Abstracts International. Tests are frequently included with the dissertation.


Goldman, B.A. *Directory of unpublished experimental mental measures.* (Vols. 1-9)
For the title index to this collection, see the entry for Jamison below.

Provides information on technical characteristics, such as format and administration, for tests used primarily with school-aged children, grades kindergarten to 12.

**Health and Psychosocial Instruments** (HaPI)
Journal abstracts provide information on thousands of measurement instruments (i.e. questionnaires, interview schedules, checklists, coding schemes, rating scales, etc.) in the fields of health and psychosocial sciences.

Covers volumes 1-7 of the Directory of unpublished experimental mental measures (see Goldman above).
Keyser, D.J., & Sweetland, R.C. *Test critiques*.  Reviews the most frequently used psychological, educational and business tests. Provides references to articles or other publications that may include a copy of the test.


Touliatos, J., Perlmutter, B.F., & Straus, M. A. (Eds.). (1990). *Handbook of family measurement techniques*. Describes tests in five primary areas: interaction; intimacy and family values; parenthood; roles and power; and adjustment. Provides references to journal articles or other publications that may include a copy of the test.

### V. Handbooks and Manuals

The following sources provide an overview of testing theory, methods and procedures. The list is not exhaustive; further sources can be found using the online catalogue, CLUES. Try a **Keyword** or a **Subject Headings** search. Some useful search terms are listed in section VI below.


VI. Searching CLUES to Locate Additional Information on Tests

Additional manuals describing specific tests, test construction, questionnaires or the practice of testing in general, can be located through the online catalogue (CLUES). Some useful Subject Headings are:

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