

Campbell Collaboration Best Practices: Grey & International Literature

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Objectives

- Grey Literature
- International Sources of Information

Grey Literature

- *"That which is produced on all levels of government, academics, business and industry in print and electronic formats, but which is not controlled by commercial publishers."* ~GreyLit.org
- *"Materials and research produced by organizations outside of the traditional commercial or academic publishing and distribution channels."* ~Wikipedia

Grey Literature

- Special Resources
 - OpenGrey.eu
 - ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global
 - Conference Proceedings Citation Index (Web of Science)
 - Specialist websites/resources (i.e. LearnTechLib)
 - Campbell Information Retrieval Guide:

Kugley, S., Wade, A., Thomas, J., Mahood, Q., Jørgensen, A-M. K., Hammerstrøm, K., & Sathe, N. (2016). *Searching for studies: A guide to information retrieval for Campbell systematic reviews*. Retrieved from Campbell Collaboration website:
https://www.campbellcollaboration.org/images/Campbell_Methods_Guides_Information_Retrieval.pdf

Grey Literature (Con't)

- One of the best solutions for locating Grey Literature is simply...

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Advanced Search

Find pages with...

all these words:

this exact word or phrase:

any of these words:

none of these words:

numbers ranging from:

to

Then narrow your results by...

language:

any language

region:

any region

last update:

anytime

site or domain:

terms appearing:

anywhere in the page

SafeSearch:

Show most relevant results

file type:

any format

usage rights:

not filtered by licence

Advanced Search

Google Advanced Search

- https://www.google.ca/advanced_search
- Narrow Results by...
 - Site or Domain (i.e. .edu., .org, .gov)
 - File Type (i.e. PDF)

Searching Internationally

- Campbell Collaboration methods encourage researchers to search for international information
- Databases
- Special Resources

A Note on Truncation

- When searching for international information sources, remember to compensate for different spellings:
 - Socialization, Socialisation
 - Neighbourhood, Neighborhood
- Skillful use of truncation can help:
 - Sociali*
 - Neighbo*

Canadian Resources

- Databases:
 - Canadian Business & Current Affairs (CBCA)
 - Canadian Research Index (CRI)
- Special Resources:
 - Statistics Canada
 - Canadian Public Policy Collection

Australian Resources

- Australian Council for Education Research (ACER):
 - Australian Education Index
 - EdResearch Online
 - <http://opac.acer.edu.au/edresearch/index.html>
- Analysis & Policy Observatory (APO)

British Resources

- Databases:
 - British Education Index
- Special Resources:
 - EPPI-Centre
 - Cochrane Collaboration

Other International Resources

- Databases:
 - FRANCIS / PASCAL
 - PAIS Index
- Special Resources:
 - United Nations' Dag Hammarskjöld Library
 - OECD iLibrary

Searching Internationally (con't)

- Google is also an option
- Using the Advanced Search form:

Then narrow your results
by...

language:	any language
region:	any region
last update:	Cameroon
site or domain:	Canada
terms appearing:	Cape Verde
SafeSearch:	Cayman Islands
file type:	Central African Republic
usage rights:	Chad
	Chile
	China
	not filtered by licence

Advanced Search

To Conclude

- A broad and diverse strategy for locating Grey Literature is recommended:
 - Some Databases (i.e. OpenGrey, ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global)
 - Special Resources/Websites
 - Conferences
 - Google Advanced Search
- As far as possible (within practical limitations), search for international information:
 - Special Resources
 - Databases
 - Google Advanced Search

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