

Search With ProQuest

This tutorial will demonstrate a search in ProQuest.

At the top of the ProQuest page is a search box. This is where I will type in the concept that I am curious about. I am going to search for the concept, “zone of proximal development.” I have put the phrase in quotes because I want to search for the complete phrase. Next to the search box is a drop down menu. In a more advanced search I would select an option from this menu. However, for this exploratory search I will leave it set to, "Anywhere."

There are subsequent search boxes below the first one, which I can use to search for additional concepts. For example, I am curious about the relationship of, “Scaffolding” to the, “zone of proximal development.” So I have typed in “Scaffolding” in the search box preceded by the word, “and;” this is because I am interested in the research that makes use of both concepts.

I then click the, “Search” button. The results of my search are displayed on the page, and as I scroll down the page I can see the title and other details of each relevant result that ProQuest has found.

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