

Finding Diverse or Multicultural Materials in the ERL

From the ERL home page, go to the “Frequent Catalog Searches” button, and select “Diversity Collection”. This collection is not a place where all the selected books are housed, but rather it is a collection of books that we have identified as fitting into the category of diverse or multicultural. We have added a tag or note to the record for the book in our library catalog so that your search for the phrase “diversity collection” will bring up all of the titles across all of the sub-divisions we have used. A list of our broad note categories, under which we gather the official “Library of Congress” subject headings, can be found below. Any of the broad tags or subject headings can be used as search terms either alone or in conjunction with the phrase “diversity collection”. The books and materials in the ERL are organized using Dewey Decimal, so these books could be anywhere on the shelves, such as fiction, poetry, information areas, biographies, folklore, etc. When you identify a book that you would like to look at further, you need to make note the call number for the book so you can then go to the appropriate shelf to retrieve it.

The screenshot displays the Oakland University Educational Resources Lab (ERL) website. At the top, the Oakland University logo is visible. Below it is a navigation bar with tabs for ACADEMICS, FUTURE STUDENTS, CURRENT STUDENTS, ALUMNI, ARTS AT OU, GIVING, and ATHLETICS. A central banner area contains text about student organizations and a list of services including Academic advising, Academic catalog, Emergency procedures, Bookstore, Get involved, Graduate Study, Graduation and commencement, Important dates, Register for classes, Student Financial Services, and Study abroad/Study away. A 'CURRENT STUDENTS' button is also present.

Below the banner, there are three main sections: 'About the ERL' (with a list of links like Award Books, Curriculum Resource Links, etc.), 'ERL CATALOG SEARCH', 'FREQUENT CATALOG SEARCHES', and 'PAY YOUR ERL FINES'. A blue arrow points to the 'FREQUENT CATALOG SEARCHES' button.

The 'FREQUENT CATALOG SEARCHES' section is expanded, showing a list of search categories: Alphabet, Authentic Voice, Beginning Readers, Bilingual, Bullies, Counting, Diversity Collection (Multicultural and diverse literature including LGBTQ, Race & Ethnicity, Physical and Mental disabilities), Fictional Heroes, Fractions, High Interest - low vocabulary (Hi-Lo books), LGBTQ, Multiracial, Native Americans, Rhyming text, Spanish Language Material, Stories in Rhyme, and Wordless Books. A blue arrow points to the 'Diversity Collection' item in this list.

At the bottom, there is a sidebar for the 'Educational Resources Lab' with links for Hours, Staff Directory, Technology Reservation Form, Course Reserve Form, Circulation Policies, and a list of other resources like Bibliographies, Curriculum Links, and Featured Websites. The 'Frequent Catalog Searches' link is highlighted in the sidebar.

Our broad, note categories include:

African American	Disability/Physical/Deaf/Hard of	Native American
Asian American	Hearing	Racially mixed people
Disability/ Physical	Disability/Physical/Mute	Transsexuals
Disability/Mental	Gay/Lesbian	
Disability/Physical/Blind	Hispanic American	

Selected Library of Congress subject headings:

Abnormalities, Human	Indians of North America
African American(s)	Japanese American(s)
African American...	Korean American(s)
Amputees	Learning disabilities
Anorexia	Learning disabled children
Anorexia nervosa	Lesbian(s)
Asian American(s)	Mental illness
Attention-deficit disorder (ADD)	Mentally ill
Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)	Mexican American
Autism	Muscular dystrophy
Autistic children	Mute persons
Blind	Mutism
Bulimia	Obsessive-compulsive disorder
Cerebral palsied children	Overweight persons
Cerebral palsy	People with disabilities
Children of the mentally ill	People with mental disabilities
Children with disabilities	People with mental disorders
Children, blind	People with visual disabilities
Chinese American...	Racially mixed children
Cystic fibrosis	Racially mixed people
Deaf	Schizophrenia
Deaf persons	Scoliosis
Depression, mental	Special education
Dyslexia	Speech disorders
Gay	Sports for people with disabilities
Hispanic American(s)	Thai Americans
Hmong Americans	Transgender
Homosexuality	Vietnamese American(s)
	Wheelchair

Sample Search:

Advanced Search

- Basic
- Advanced**
- Subject
- Author
- Course Reserve

Search: as a phrase

any of these

any of these

Records per page:

Year: Last 5 Years From To

Location:

Place of publication:

Type:

Format:

Language:

Content:

Media:

Carrier: