

To focus your searches using ERIC try the following commands:

*	learn*	finds articles with the word learn, learning, learner, etc.
OR	group OR team	finds articles that contain either of these words
AND	inclusion AND classroom	finds articles that contain both "inclusion" and "classroom"
" "	"public schools"	finds this exact phrase

Another powerful technique is to search for your topic (keywords) in the title of articles. To do this change the dropdown menu in the AdvancedSearch from "Select a Field" to "TI Title"

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<input type="text" value="mastery learning"/>		TI Title ▼
NOT ▼	<input type="text"/>	AB Abstract ▼
AND ▼	<input type="text"/>	Select a Field (optional) ▼

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For the following search example the phrase "problem based learning" must appear in the title of the article and math or mathematics or mathematical must appear in the abstract.

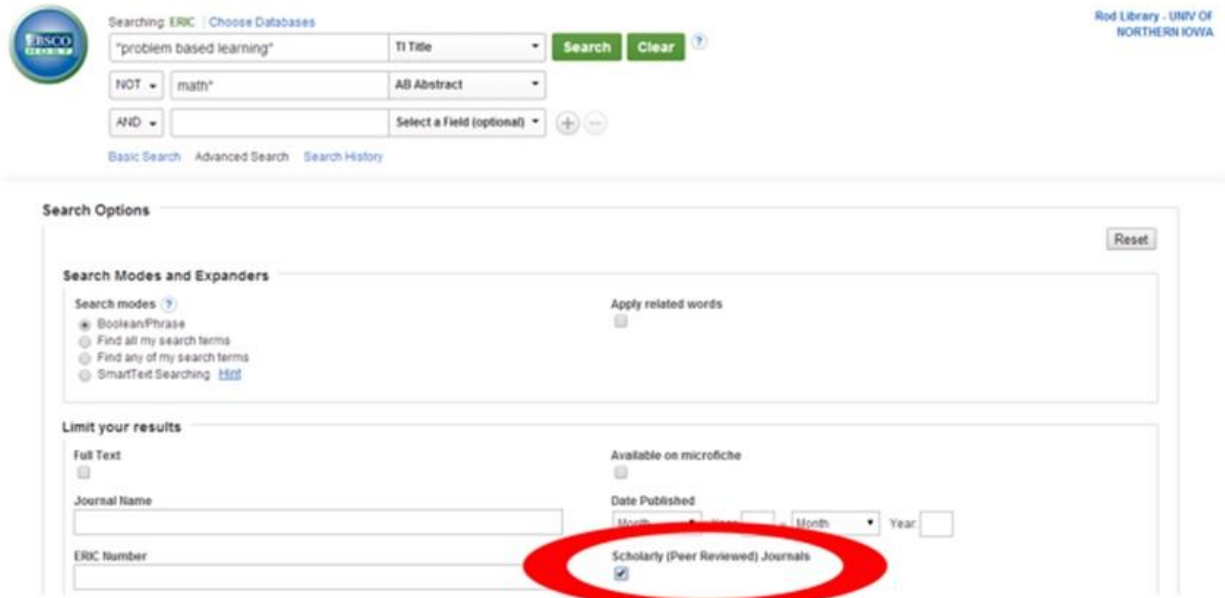
Searching: [OneSearch!](#)

<input type="text" value="problem based learning"/>		TI Title ▼
AND ▼	<input type="text" value="math*"/>	AB Abstract ▼
AND ▼	<input type="text"/>	Select a Field (optional) ▼

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**Before you search** - you may wish to limit your search to “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals.”

To limit to “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals” be sure to check the box labeled “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals” farther down the search screen:



The screenshot shows the ERIC search interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "problem based learning" and a dropdown menu set to "TI Title". To the right of the search bar are "Search" and "Clear" buttons. Below the search bar, there are two rows of filters. The first row has a dropdown set to "NOT", a text input with "math\*", and a dropdown set to "AB Abstract". The second row has a dropdown set to "AND", an empty text input, and a dropdown set to "Select a Field (optional)". Below these filters are links for "Basic Search", "Advanced Search", and "Search History". On the right side of the page, there is a logo for "Red Library - UNIV OF NORTHERN IOWA". Below the search bar, there is a section titled "Search Options" with a "Reset" button. Under "Search Modes and Expanders", there are four radio buttons: "Boolean/Phrase" (selected), "Find all my search terms", "Find any of my search terms", and "SmartText Searching". To the right of these is a checkbox for "Apply related words". Under "Limit your results", there are several checkboxes: "Full Text", "Available on microfiche", and "Date Published". Below "Date Published" are dropdown menus for "Month" and "Year". At the bottom of the "Limit your results" section, there is a checkbox for "Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals" which is checked and circled in red.

