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GEOGRAPHY 101 - PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY AND BIOMES

Your search for information on **Physical Geography and Biomes** can include books, periodical articles, online databases, and authoritative Internet resources.

Books

Use the [Library Catalog](#) located on the [Library Home Page](#) to find books on your topic that are available in the Cerritos College Library. Books can provide a broad overview of a topic or in-depth information. You can search for books by *Author, Title, Subject, or Keyword*.

Listed below are some examples of *Library of Congress Subject Headings* used in the catalog for books relating to **Physical Geography and Biomes**. Use these terms to *Search by Subject*.

General Physical Geography

Atlas	Landscape changes
Geography	Maps
Geomorphology	Physical geography
Landscape assessment	Weather

Biomes

Biotic communities	Endangered ecosystems
Climatology	Plants
Deserts	Rain forests
Ecology	Rangelands

Selected Reference Books

Reference books are a good starting point for your research because they help you become better acquainted with your topic. Listed below are some reference books that may be useful in your research.

Our Earth's Changing Land : an Encyclopedia of Land-use and Land-cover Change

REF GF90 .O87 2006 V 1-2

Rivers of North America

REF QH102 .R58 2005

A Dictionary of Geography

REF G63 .M39 2009

Encyclopedia of Coastal Science

REF TC203.7 .E53 2005

Atlas of the Biodiversity of California

REF QH76.5.C2 A8 2003

Encyclopedia of Islands

REF 471 .E53 2009

Encyclopedia of World Climatology

REF QC854 .E526 2005

Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia

REF QL3 .G7813 v1-13

Rainforests of the World: A Reference Handbook

REF QH541.5 .R27 G39 2001

Dictionary of Physical Geography

REF GB10 .D53 2000

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Magazine, Journal, and Newspaper Articles

Journals and magazines usually provide the most current information on your topic. Journal articles are more scholarly or professional while magazine articles tend to be shorter and more general. Newspaper articles, while not usually scholarly or professional, can give you the most current news and some additional facts on your topic.

For remote access to the library databases, login to the **Library** using your Cerritos College ID number.

To find articles on your topic, use one of the online databases listed below. These databases usually provide full-text articles on almost every topic. They are available via the **Library Home Page**. Conduct your search in these databases by using subject headings and keywords similar to those you used to locate books.

EBSCOhost
NewsBank

GaleNet Discovering Collection
ProQuest

Also Check

HighWire Press

<http://highwire.stanford.edu/>

HighWire Press is a division of the Stanford University Libraries. HighWire Press hosts the largest repository of free, full-text, peer-reviewed content, with 968 journals and 1,394,735 free, full-text articles online. With their partner publishers they produce 71 of the 200 most-frequently-cited journals.

Internet Sites

The Internet can be a valuable source for supplementing the information you have gathered from books and periodicals. It is important that you evaluate the information you get from the Internet to determine if it is reliable and useful to your research. A few Internet sites that may be useful are listed here.

The World's Biomes

<http://www.ucmp.berkeley.edu/glossary/gloss5/biome/>

Biomes of the World

<http://www.mbgnet.net/>

PhysicalGeography.net

<http://www.physicalgeography.net/>

Earth Pages

<http://www.earth-pages.com/>

Global Change Master Directory

<http://gcmd.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

Yahoo's Index of Ecology Links

Search for information by ecology subject categories or by keyword in *this category*.

<http://dir.yahoo.com/Science/Ecology/>