

# *Forsyth Library's*

## *World History Research Guide*

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# *Resources for World History*



## ***Databases***

To access these databases, click on the link, then on the database title in the alphabetical list that appears.

### [Historical Abstracts](#)

Citations, abstracts and some full-text world history sources from 1450 to the present

### [JSTOR](#)

Select "History" from the Advanced Search Page to find full text scholarly articles from older journals

### [MAS Ultra](#)

Contains America: History and Life, Historical Abstracts, Newspaper Source, Professional Development Collection, etc.

### [Info Trac Databases \(1980-](#)

Millions of full text news and periodical articles for all subjects including history

### [Educator's Reference Complete](#)

Some full-text articles for history

### [World Cat](#)

A catalog of books, theses, and other materials available worldwide

### [Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe](#)

Full-text magazine, journal, and newspaper articles for history and related subjects

### [ACLS Humanities E-Book](#)

A digital collection of high-quality books that have been recommended and reviewed by scholars

### [Wilson OmniFile Full Text \(1982-](#)

Abstracts and full text articles from Readers' Guide, Humanities Index, and other databases

### [Women's Writers Online](#)

A Collection of pre-Victorian women's Writing

### [Custom Newspapers](#)

Full Text newspaper articles

### [Books in Print](#)

Books that can be requested from other libraries if not found at Forsyth Library



## ***Paper Indexes***

***Humanities Index*** 1974-  
 An author and subject index to  
 periodical articles about history and  
 related subjects  
 Index Area A13 .H85

***Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature***  
 1900-  
 An author and subject index for  
 citations to articles of general interest  
 that have been published in the U.S.  
 Index Area AI3 .R48

***Book Review Index*** 1965-  
 Citations for reviews of books, audio  
 books, and e-books  
 Index Area Z1035 .A1 B6

***New York Times Index*** 1851-  
 An index to the contents of The New  
 York Times newspaper  
 Index Area AI21 .N44

***Book Review Digest*** 1905-  
 Citations and excerpts of juvenile and  
 adult book reviews in the English  
 language  
 Index Area Z1219 .C96



## **Electronic Journals**

[Click here to browse all full-text history journals available in Forsyth Library's Databases](#)

## ***Major Journals for World History***

<p><b><i>Current History</i></b>          D410 .C82</p> <p><b><i>East European Quarterly</i></b>          MF 949.6005 E13</p> <p><b><i>Eighteenth-Century Studies</i></b>          NX452 .E54</p> <p><b><i>Historical Journal</i></b>          MF 905 .H673</p> <p><b><i>The Journal of Modern History</i></b>          D1 .J6</p>	<p><b><i>Middle Eastern Studies</i></b>          DS41 .M535</p> <p><b><i>Renaissance Quarterly</i></b>          CB361 .R45</p> <p><b><i>The Eighteenth Century</i></b>          DA505 .S76</p> <p><b><i>The Sixteenth Century Journal</i></b>          D220 .S57</p> <p><b><i>World Politics</i></b>          D839 .W57</p>
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# Finding Full-Text Articles Flowchart

Search for your topic in a database (see p. 2), and choose an article. Is there a link to the full-text located underneath the article title/citation?

NO

YES

Click on the link to see the entire article.

- HTML = text only
- PDF = looks like a photo of the printed page, including graphics. Photos might not appear due to copyright restrictions.

Is there:

- a link for LinkSource
- a link that says "Get Article"
- a circular blue & green icon

NO

YES



Click on the link or icon. **If you are off campus, call 785-628-5283 or e-mail [refserv@fhsu.edu](mailto:refserv@fhsu.edu) to get the LinkSource username and password**

This will activate a search of other databases for the article. **If it is found, it will appear in a new window.**  
If not, you'll see:

If the article was not found

Are you on-campus, or are you a Hays-area student?

NO

YES

You can request the article through:

[Distance Services](#)

**Be sure to allow adequate time for your article to arrive.**

Search the [Online Catalog](#) for a print or microform copy of the article.

Type in the name of the JOURNAL in which the article appears, and click "journal title keyword". If it is found, click on the title, and look at the dates available to see if the year you need is there.

Note the **call number** and find the journal in the Periodicals section (1994 or later), the basement (pre-1994) or on microfilm (MF call #), in the filing cabinets in the Periodicals section. **Library staff members are glad to help you with the MF readers and printers, if needed.**

If we don't own the article in print or microfilm, you can request the article through:

[Interlibrary Loan](#)

Click on Services on the Library's homepage.

**Be sure to allow adequate time for your article to arrive.**

## ***Print Reference Sources for World History***

***Ancient Europe 8000 B.C.-A.D. 1000***  
Reference D62 .A52 2004 (2 vols.)

***Dictionary of the Middle Ages***  
Reference D114 .D5 (10 vols.)

***Dictionary of Wars***  
Reference D25 .A2 K63 1999

***Encyclopedia of Eastern Europe***  
Reference DJK6 .E53 2000 (1 vol.)

***Encyclopedia of the Vietnam War***  
Reference DS557.7 .E53 1998 (3 vols.)

***Facts on File 1951-***  
Reference D410 .F3

***Historical Atlas***  
Reference G1030 .S4 1964

***Historical Dictionary of Iraq***  
Reference DS70.9 .G47 2004

***More on This Day in History***  
Reference D11.5 .M55 2002

***The Cambridge Medieval History***  
Reference D117 .C3 (several volumes)

***The Encyclopedia of World History***  
Reference D21 .E578 2001

***Timelines of World History***  
Reference D11 .T34 2002

***The Europa World Year Book***  
Reference JN1 .E85 2005 (2 vols.)

***The Statesman's Yearbook***  
Reference JA51 .S7 2007

***Encyclopedia of Modern Asia***  
Reference DS4 .E53 2002 (6vols.)

***Encyclopedia of the Holocaust***  
Reference D804.3 .E53 1990b (2 vols.)

***Encyclopedia of the Korean War***  
Reference DS918 .E53 2000 (3 vols.)

***Encyclopedia of the Renaissance***  
Reference CB361 .E52 1999 (6 vols.)

***Gulf Crisis Chronology***  
Reference DS79.72 .G818 1991

***Historic Documents 1972-***  
General Collection E839.5 .H57

***New Cambridge Modern History***  
Reference D208 .N4 (several volumes)

***Reader's Guide to British History***  
Reference DA34 .R43 2003 (2 vols.)

***The Cambridge Ancient History***  
Reference D57 .C25 (several volumes)

***The Encyclopedia of World War I***  
Reference D510 .E53 2005 (5 vols.)

***The Encyclopedia of World War II***  
Reference D740 .E516 2005 (5 vols.)

***The Times Atlas of World History***  
Reference G1030 .T54 1994

***The Wilson Calendar of World History***  
Reference D11 .W65 1999

***World Conflicts***  
Reference D842 .B69 1998

## ***More Print Reference Sources for World History***

***Writings on British History***

Reference DA30 .R69 (several vols.)

***Encyclopedia of Historians and  
Historical Writing***

Reference D14 .E53 1999 (2 vols.)

***Encyclopedia of the Modern Middle  
East and North Africa***

Reference DS43 .E53 2004 (4 vols.)

***Sources of Information for Historical  
Research***

Reference D20 .S52 1994

***The Modern Encyclopedia of Russian  
and Soviet History***

Reference DK36 .M55 (many volumes)

***Timelines on File***

Reference Desk D11 .T54 2000 (4  
vols.)

***The Encyclopedia of European Social  
History from 1350 to 2000***

Reference HN373 .E63 2001 (6 vols.)

***Encyclopedia of the Stateless Nations:  
Ethnic and National Groups Around the  
World***

Reference D860 .M56 2002 (4 vols.)

***World History: A Dictionary of Important  
People, Places, and Events from  
Ancient Times to the Present***

Reference D9 .W47 1994

***The American Historical Association's  
Guide to Historical Literature***

Reference D20 .A53 1995 (2 vols.)

***Countries of the World & Their Leaders***

Reference G1 .C88 2007 (2 vols.)

***International Historical Statistics:  
Europe 1750-1993***

Reference HA1107 .M5 1998

***Historical Maps on File***

Reference Desk G1030 .M37 2002  
(several volumes)

***The History Highway 3.0: A Guide to  
Internet Sources***

Reference D16.117 .H57 2002

***The Oxford Encyclopedia of the  
Reformation***

Reference BR302.8 .O93 1996 (4 vols.)

***The Hutchinson Dictionary of World  
History***

Reference D20 .H87 1993b

***Women in World History: A  
Biographical Encyclopedia***

Reference HQ1115 .W6 1999 (17 vols.)

***Famous First Facts: A Record of First  
Happenings, Discoveries, and  
Inventions in World History***

Reference AG5 .A69 2000

***Oxford Dictionary of National  
Biography: From the Earliest Times to  
the Year 2000***

Reference DA28 .O95 2004 (60 vols.)

***Dictionary of Scientific Biography***

Reference Q141 .D5 1970 (18 vols.)



## Finding Books

If you would like to browse for books,  
try looking in these areas in the General Collection on the 2nd floor:

History of Civilization & Culture, Anthropology, Biography: **C**  
History: General, and all areas except North & South America: **D**  
U.S. History: **E**  
U.S. Local History, and North & South America: **F**

### How to use the [Online Catalog](#) to search for books

To access the catalog, click on the link above, or go to the library's homepage at [www.fhsu.edu/forsyth\\_lib](http://www.fhsu.edu/forsyth_lib). Next, click on "Online Catalog", on the left hand side under *Quick Links*.

Type in your topic in the "Find this" box. Type in just the key (most important) words, and leave out "the", "and", "an", etc. Next, choose what type of search you want to do: keyword, title keyword, journal title, etc. This tells the computer where you want it to look for your search terms:

**All Fields (Keyword) Search:** Searches for your term in every area, including title, descriptions, publisher, author, etc. This search will yield many results, but many will be irrelevant because your term is just mentioned briefly, and is not necessarily a focus of the book.

**Title (Keyword):** Note: if you enter a phrase, enclose it in quotation marks (e.g. "anatomy of hope"). This type of search finds only those items which have your search terms in the title. It is a good way to find items that focus on your topic. You can also use this search if you are looking for a specific book but are unsure of the exact title.

**Subject Browse:** Finds the categories (subject headings) that include your search term. For example, a search for *Art* yields the broad topic, plus subtopics by country, time period, style, etc.

**Author:** Find all works (owned by Forsyth Library) by a particular author. Enter the name last name first, followed by the first name, or an initial, if you know it.

**Journal Title (Keyword):** Search for a full or partial title of a journal, newspaper or magazine title. Click on the title to see the call number and what years/issues of this periodical the library owns.

Once you've found a title you like, note the **location, call number, and availability**.

Title: ***The anatomy of hope: how people prevail in the face of illness.***

Location: General Collection: Top Floor

Call Number: R726.5 G76 Status: Available

# **Online Reference Sources from [Credo Reference](#) for World History**

(Search by keyword, or click on “Find a Book” and then “History”)

## ***A Guide to the Ancient World***

A reference source for classical history

## ***Chambers Dictionary of World History***

Entries for the events, ideas, and people of world history

## ***The Hutchinson Chronology of World History***

One of the most complete and up-to-date chronologies of world history

## ***Who's Who in Ancient Egypt***

A guide and sourcebook for Ancient Egypt that includes biographies, chronologies, key terms, etc.

## ***The Reader's Companion to Military History***

Covers major events and battles, strategies and tactics, commanders and theorists, etc.

## ***Andromeda Encyclopedic Dictionary of World History***

Historical events, periods, and personalities

## ***The Companion to British History***

A guide to the history of Britain

## ***The Encyclopedia of the Renaissance***

Events, people, ideas, and movements during the Renaissance era

## ***The Encyclopedia of World History***

An authoritative guide for world history which covers prehistoric times through the year 2000

## ***Who's Who in the Roman World***

A reference source for the Romans which covers the 5<sup>th</sup> century BC to 364 AD

## ***A Dictionary of Contemporary History-1945 to the Present***

Events, people, ideas, and movements from the end of World War II to the present

## ***Concise Atlas of World History***

Developments of nations and civilizations

***Please Note: Other titles will be added in the future!!***



## ***Additional Databases***

### [Britannica Online](#)

Click on “Encyclopedia Britannica” for an online encyclopedia and “Merriam-Webster Dictionary & Thesaurus” for an online dictionary and thesaurus

### [Funk & Wagnall’s New World Encyclopedia](#)

An online encyclopedia that is not as comprehensive as Britannica Online

### [NetLibrary](#)

Electronic books for all topics including history



## ***General Websites of interest***

### [History Websites](#)

#### [Google Books](#)

Search for books, then click *Find in a Library* to see if Forsyth Library has the book you need.

### [Websites by Subjects](#)

#### [Google Scholar](#)

Some scholarly information





# Citing Your Sources

## Style Guides

**Online:** [Duke University's Citation Guide](#) (the basics)

**Print:** Style manuals can be found at the Reference Desk,  
and in the following areas:

- **GC:** General Collection on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. Can be checked out.
- **RES:** Reserve Desk on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor: 3 hour check-out.
- **REF:** Reference Area on the 1st floor. For use in the library. Cannot be checked out.

If you are unsure about which style manual to use, consult your professor.

Chicago Manual of Style: [Z253.U69](#) **GC, REF**

[Chicago Format & Style Guide](#) *Ohio State University*

Turabian Manual for Writers: [LB2369.T8](#) **GC, RES, REF**

[Turabian Format & Style Guide](#) *Ohio State University*

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