

SELECTED WEBSITES
for
AMERICAN STUDIES ONLINE
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Introduction

The purpose of this presentation is to focus on the most important sources for American Studies.

E-JOURNALS:

The European Journal of American Studies is now freely available online:

<http://ejas.revues.org/>

FREE EDUCATIONAL AND DOCUMENTARY VIDEOS ON ALL ASPECTS OF AMERICAN HISTORY FROM THE ANNENBERG MEDIA FOUNDATION: all free, requires advance registration; registration absolutely free. (www.learner.org/)

Go to <http://www.learner.org/resources/browse.html> for general instructions and a link to free registration. Visit our FAQ http://www.learner.org/faq/faq_broadband.html for more information on how to view the programs.>

Watch free Video on Demand <http://www.learner.org/resources/browse.html>, accessible with a broadband Internet connection.

Our interactives <http://www.learner.org/interactives/> offer unique learning experiences on many topics. Some offer printable assessments, too.>

America's History in the Making

<http://www.learner.org/channel/courses/amerhistory/>. This series, new in 2007, looks at Enlightenment thought, revolutionary discourse, and the early development of government in Unit 4, "Revolutionary Perspectives." Click on "OAH Talking History" to listen to the radio programs "Revolutionary Mothers" and "Washington's Slaves."

➤ **"Industrializing America"**

<http://www.learner.org/channel/courses/amerhistory/units/14/>, Unit 14 of America's History in the Making, looks at how industrialization required new labor markets and spawned the rise of the labor movement.

> **A Biography of America, Unit 17, "Capital and Labor"**

<http://www.learner.org/biographyofamerica/prog17/> takes a look at historic labor developments in the U.S.

Go even further back with Unit 14 of Bridging World History

http://www.learner.org/channel/courses/worldhistory/unit_main_14.html, which describes early relationships between land and labor, the globalization of labor, slavery, and resistance.

See how larger economic issues drive labor migrations in Europe and America in Program 5 of Inside the Global Economy

<<http://www.learner.org/resources/series86.html>>.

Get a better understanding of the development and role of labor unions with Economics U\$A

<<http://www.learner.org/resources/series79.html>> Program 22, "Labor and Management."

See how labor issues have impacted literature in American Passages: A Literary Survey, Unit 12, "Migrant Struggle"

<<http://www.learner.org/amerpass/unit12/>>. Also see context activities for Unit 11, "Modernist Portraits"

<http://www.learner.org/amerpass/unit11/context_activ.html>, which address the impact of industrialization on the lives of workers.

Making Civics Real: A Workshop for Teachers

<<http://www.learner.org/channel/workshops/civics/>>. Observe effective high school lessons and access Web-based materials including a lesson collection, student and teacher perspectives, essential readings, and primary source documents (Supreme Court cases).

Democracy in America

<<http://www.learner.org/channel/courses/democracyinamerica/>>. The series features lectures and historical footage to illustrate constitutional ideals. Find related readings on the series Web site, including the writings of Thomas Jefferson, Alexis de Tocqueville, Frederick Douglass, Thomas Paine, and Niccolo Machiavelli.

The Western Tradition

<<http://learner.org/redirect/september/west8.html>>. See Program 5, "The Rise of Greek Civilization," Program 6, "Greek Thought," Program 37, "The American Revolution," and 38, "The American Republic."

A Biography of America

<<http://learner.org/redirect/september/boa9.html>>. Learn about the beginnings of the U.S. Constitution in "A New System of Government," Program 5.

The American Passages Archive

<http://www.learner.org/amerpass/slideshow/archive_search.php>. Use keywords to search for historical artifacts related to the U.S. Constitution. Use the special slideshow tool to create one or more presentations on constitutional topics.

MEGASITES ON AMERICAN STUDIES:

American and British Resources on the Internet

This site maintained by Rutgers University provides numerous links to on-line documents and sites related to **American and British history**.

http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr_gateway/research_guides/history/history.shtml

American Civil War Homepage

Letters, diaries, battle histories, etc.

<http://sunsite.utk.edu/civil-war/>

U.S. Civil War Center

Provides links to books, magazines, battlefields, cemeteries, and Civil War-era newspapers. <http://www.cwc.lsu.edu/>

American Indians

Index of Native American resources on the Internet

<http://www.hanksville.org/NAresources/>

Center for American History at The University of Texas at Austin

"Special collections library, archive, and museum that facilitates research and sponsors programs on the historical development of the United States."

<http://www.cah.utexas.edu/>

WEB SITES IN AMERICAN HISTORY:

http://www.cah.utexas.edu/news/utopia_sites.php

From Revolution to Reconstruction in American History

Primary sources mainly from the 16th to the 18th century. <http://odur.let.rug.nl/~usa/>

A Hypertext on American History from the colonial period until Modern Times

Department of Humanities Computing & Department of American Studies University of Groningen, The Netherlands

African American Resources

A University of Texas web site for research in African American Studies

<http://www.lib.utexas.edu/subject/african/index.html>

Asian American Resources

A University of Texas web site for research in Asian American Studies

<http://www.lib.utexas.edu/subject/aa/index.html>

DISSERTATION AND THESES RESOURCES:

Library of Congress Theses and Dissertations Resources

The Library of Congress has compiled an annotated list of theses and dissertations databases from around the world. Coverage includes the **Theses Canada Portal**, where you can search for theses and dissertations in the National Library of Canada.

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/main/alcove9/education/theses.html>

Other Free Online Dissertations are also available from these two institutions below:

The University of Maryland: <http://www.lib.umd.edu/drum/>
and
MIT: <http://dspace.mit.edu>

American Studies Site at the University of Virginia: <http://xroads.virginia.edu/>
➤ **Includes Cultural Maps, Hypertext, and America in the 1930s**

American Studies Online from the U.S. Consulate in Krakow, Poland:
AMERICAN STUDIES ONLINE FROM THE US CONSULATE IN KRAKOW:
<http://krakow.usconsulate.gov/krakow/studies2.html> (Excellent series of links and resources!)

DIGITAL HISTORY OF THE U.S: <http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/>
Features an Online Textbook, Lesson Plans for Teachers, Multi-Media Materials, Court Cases, Ethnic Studies and Ethnic Voices, Modular Lessons, and a US History Reference Room, all from the University of Houston.

AMERICAN SOCIAL HISTORY ONLINE FOR AMERICAN STUDIES:
<http://www.dlfaquifer.org/>
(Showcases many rich collections for detailed research into American History that are all available free and online.)

Best History Websites: <http://www.besthistorysites.net/>
Includes American History and Lesson Plans

Georgetown University: Crossroad Project
<http://crossroads.georgetown.edu/>
American Studies at GEORGETOWN: <http://americanstudies.georgetown.edu/>

American Studies Resources from GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY:
<http://eas-ref.press.jhu.edu/resources.html>

Looking at the Reference and research portion of Crossroads

Theory and Method in American Cultural Studies:
<http://www.wsu.edu/%7Eamerstu/tm/bib.html>

Extensive collections on American Studies can also be found through this web site, at the University of California at Santa Barbara.
<http://vos.ucsb.edu>

AMDOCS: Crucial Documents for the Study of American History
<http://www.vlib.us/amdocs/>

Humbul Humanities Hub:
<http://www.intute.ac.uk/artsandhumanities/american/>

American History Resources as part of the New York Public Library's Digitization Project: all full text: <http://digitalgallery.nypl.org/nypldigital/explore/dgexplore.cfm?topic=history>

Chronicling America: Archival Research through America's Newspapers: (From the Library of Congress) <http://www.loc.gov/chroniclingamerica/>

Welcome to Chronicling America, enhancing access to America's historic newspapers. This site allows you to search and view **newspaper pages** from 1897-1910 and find **information about American newspapers** published between 1690-present. Chronicling America is sponsored jointly by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Library of Congress as part of the National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP).

II. AMERICAN LITERATURE RESEARCH

<http://www2.lib.udel.edu/subj/engl/internet.htm>

American Authors on the Web

<http://www.lang.nagoya-u.ac.jp/~matsuoka/AmeLit.html>

Literature Research Guides from Rutgers University Libraries

http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/rr_gateway/research_guides/eng_lit/eng_lit.shtml

Columbia University's Research Guide on American Studies

<http://www.columbia.edu/cu/lweb/eguides/amerihist/>

Best of U.S. History Web sites:

<http://www.besthistorysites.net/USHistory.shtml>

III. DIGITAL COLLECTIONS IN AMERICAN STUDIES:

The Premier Collection is the Library of Congress American Memory Project

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/>

1. A better view of the richness of the collection at LOC

For teachers: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/>

Web Guides on African American History produced by the Library of Congress:

<http://www.loc.gov/rr/program/bib/bibguide.html>

Digitized Collections at the Library of Congress for African American History

2. Making of American Project: University of Michigan

<http://www.hti.umich.edu/m/moa/>

An attempt to digitize the rich literature of the US in the 19th C.

3. The Making of America Project allows you to browse books by Title

<http://www.hti.umich.edu/cgi/t/text/text-idx?page=browse&cc=moa&c=moa>

4. Or Browse by Journal or by Article Title

<http://www.hti.umich.edu/cgi/t/text/text-idx?page=browse;c=moajrnl>

5. Documenting the American South

<http://docsouth.unc.edu>

6. Literature of the South in Documenting Southern Culture

<http://docsouth.unc.edu/southlit/texts.html>

7. Digital Collections of the New York Public Library

<http://www.nypl.org/digital/index.htm>

8. New York Public Library Digital Collection

<http://www.nypl.org/digital/>

9. A Celebration of Women Writers: African American Writers

<http://digital.library.upenn.edu/women/generate/AFRICAN%20AMERICAN.html>

IV. DISTANCE OR CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES:

MIT COURSES ONLINE, FREE, NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

<http://ocw.mit.edu>

1. AMERICA.GOV: Electronic Journals on a range of issues (From Dept. of State website)

<http://america.gov>

Student Corner with American Studies Materials:

<http://www.america.gov/publications/student-corner.html>

2.. Search engines for Quality Information: One of the best is

<http://www.lii.org> : Librarian Internet Index

Search screen of LII.org: http://www.lii.org/pub/htdocs/adv_search_home.htm

3. INFOMINE: An excellent academic search engine:

An attempt to search catalog the Internet by LOC subject headings

<http://infomine.ucr.edu/>

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<http://ejas.revues.org/>

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This web site has many related bibliographies as well,

please consult: <http://tinyurl.com/6dfaxn>
