

*Suggested General Resources for researching 20th-Century
American History in Carlson Library*

The following items can be found in Carlson Library's reference collection. These are general overview sources. If you wish to find more specific works on your particular historical topic, use **PILOT**, the online catalog.

Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature-Ref. AI3 .R4

Look up a topic to find citations to periodical (magazine, journal) articles written on that topic. *The Reader's Guide* indexes periodical literature from 1900 to present, so it is a valuable resource for finding articles that were written at the time of major historic events in America's history.

International Index to Periodicals-Ref. AI3 .R49

Use this source as you would *The Reader's Guide* (above). It indexes periodical literature from 1907-1965.

Social Sciences & Humanities Index -Ref. AI3 .R49

This index covers periodical literature from 1965-1974 specifically in the Social Sciences and Humanities.

Social Sciences Index -Ref. AI3 .S6

This index covers periodical literature in the Social Sciences from 1974-1998. (The Social Science module in the ProQuest database provides access to more recent literature in the Social Sciences.)

The New York Times Index -Ref. qAI21 .N44

This valuable resource for history majors indexes articles from the New York Times newspaper from 1851-present. Reels of the New York Times can be found on microfilm in the Periodicals area.

Historical Abstracts Ref. qD299 .H5

Carlson Library has Historical Abstracts from 1955-1995. It is divided into sections "A" and "B". Section A abstracts Modern History literature covering the period from 1450-1914. Part B abstracts Twentieth Century literature covering the period from 1914-1995.

Facts on File-Ref. qD410 .F3 (Also, available on **EBSCO Database**)

Carlson library has this source from 1952-1997. World news items are briefly summarized in a weekly digest.

The Timetables of American History-Ref. qE18.5 .U75

Look up a year to learn what was happening in America and elsewhere in history, politics, the arts, science, technology, etc.

Great Events from History-Ref. E45 .G74

This resource provides a succinct summary of major events in North American history. Included at the end of each summary are citations for additional suggested reading.

American Decades-Ref. qE169.12 .A419

This multi-volume set devotes one volume to each decade in the twentieth century, covering topics such as the arts, business, economy, education, fashion, government, politics, law & justice, lifestyles & social trends, media, medicine & health, religion, science & technology, and sports.

Dictionary of American History-Ref. qE174 .D52

This multi-volume set provides brief descriptions of many places and events in American history.

The American Years- Ref. qE174.5 .G753

This source chronicles U.S. history on a year-by-year basis. It identifies major events each year regarding business & industry, transportation, science/medicine, education, religion, art/music, literature/journalism, entertainment, sports, etc.

American National Biography-Ref. E176 .A58

This multi-volume set provides succinct biographies on major figures in America's history.

Dictionary of American Biography-Ref. E176. D56

This source is similar to *American National Biography* (above).

The Presidents-Ref. qE176.1 .P918

This source provides information on the lives, elections, and administrations of each American president from George Washington through Bill Clinton.

Reader's Guide to American History-Ref. qE178 .R43

Use this source to look up a major person or event in American history. This source will provide a list of suggested reading on the topic and briefly state the findings & research of each suggested reading.

Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations-Ref. qE183.7 .E53

Use this source to look up information on events and people involved in American foreign policy.

Encyclopedia of the United States in the Twentieth Century-
Ref. q E740.7 .E53

This source contains information on multiple aspects of United States history.

America: History and Life-Ref. qZ1236 .A48

This resource indexes and summarizes periodical literature on topics in American history.

United States History: A Selective Guide to Information Sources-
Ref. Z1236 .B57

This includes bibliographies of suggested readings on various topics in United States history.

Harvard Guide to American History-Ref. Z1236 .F77

This source is similar to *United States History: A Selective Guide to Information Sources* (above).

Index to American Life and Customs-Twentieth Century to 1986-
Ref. Z1236 .I73 v.4

Look up a topic and be referred to an appropriate book or periodical article.