

Library Resources for HR 100 Ideas that Shaped the West

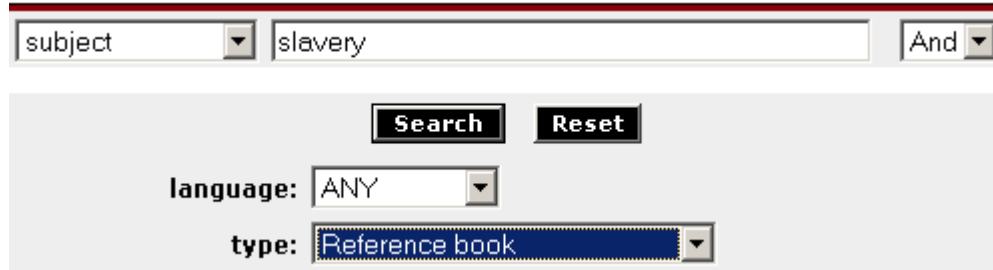
STARTING POINTS

Familiarize yourself with the topic before you begin your research. When you know a little bit, it should make you curious to learn more; at least, it helps you raise questions that your research will strive to answer. It also helps you arrive at a list of keywords related to your topic, useful when searching indexes.

Reference Books Search [Library Catalog](#). Reference books located on main level.

Background information on nearly any topic can be found in reference works. To locate a reference text on your topic, use the **Power Search** in the [library catalog](http://sirsi.fairfield.edu) (<http://sirsi.fairfield.edu>).

LIBRARY CATALOG POWER SEARCH EXAMPLE (Subject=slavery; type=Reference book):



The screenshot shows a search interface with a search box containing 'slavery' and a dropdown menu set to 'subject'. To the right of the search box is an 'And' dropdown menu. Below the search box are two buttons: 'Search' and 'Reset'. Further down, there are two more dropdown menus: 'language' set to 'ANY' and 'type' set to 'Reference book'.

RESULT:

Among other reference works, this search finds the reference book titled, *New Slavery: a Reference Handbook*, located on the shelf by this call number: Ref HT867 .B37 2000.

Dictionaries and Encyclopedias

Connect at <http://www.fairfield.edu/x6903.htm>

[Encyclopedia Britannica](#) Updated continually. Electronic version of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

[Oxford English Dictionary \(OED\) Online](#) 1884-pres. Meaning, history, and pronunciation of words.

[Oxford Reference Online Premium](#) Updated continually. A collection of topical dictionaries.

Background information on Current and Historical Events

<http://www.fairfield.edu/x6903.htm>

[AP Multimedia Archive](#) Updated daily. Photos and graphics from the Associated Press.

[CQ Researcher](#) 1991-pres. Explores a single hot issue in U.S. and world news in depth each week.

LOCATING BOOKS AND JOURNALS

[Library Catalog](#)

<http://sirsi.fairfield.edu/>

Find books and videos in the DiMenna-Nyselius Library's collection.

[WorldCat](#)

<http://www.fairfield.edu/x6903.htm>

Find materials owned by other libraries that you can Request via interlibrary loan.

[Google Books](#)

<http://books.google.com>

Searches the full text of numerous books. When you find a title you'd like, double-check the DiMenna-Nyselius [Library catalog](http://sirsi.fairfield.edu) (<http://sirsi.fairfield.edu>) to see if we own it. If we don't, then you may request it via [inter-library loan](#) (See below).

[Journal Locator](#)

<http://ds3us6us9g.search.serialssolutions.com/>

Find a specific journal title in print or online.

[Interlibrary Loan Request](#)

<http://edocs.fairfield.edu/>

Request a book or journal article that the DiMenna-Nyselius Library doesn't own. It will take approximately 3-5 business days for an article to be e-mailed to you, and two weeks for a book to be delivered to the library for you. This service costs nothing, so try to start early enough to take full advantage.

NOTABLE LIBRARY DATABASES TO SEARCH BY TOPIC

- **Connect at** <http://www.fairfield.edu/x6903.htm>

Art and Music

- [Art Index](#) 1929-pres. Covers archaeology, architecture, art history, interior design, and more.
- [ARTstor](#) Updated regularly. A repository of hundreds of thousands of digital images and related data.
- [Classical Music Library](#) Updated Monthly. Contains classical music tracks for listening & searching.
- [Grove Art Online](#) Updated continually. *Dictionary of Art* and *Oxford Companion to Western Art*, online.
- [Grove Music Online](#) 1890-pres. *New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians*, plus others, online.

Biographies

- [Biography and Genealogy Master Index](#) Updated semi-annually. Citations to biographical sketches.
- [LexisNexis People](#) Updated continually. Biographical information, including obituaries.
- [Marquis Who's Who on the Web](#) 1985-pres. Profiles of accomplished individuals in all fields.

Books

- [Library Catalog](#) Updated daily. The DiMenna-Nyselius Library's database of holdings.
- [Books in Print](#) Updated weekly. A comprehensive database of books, audio books, and videos.
- [WorldCat](#) Updated daily. Worldwide catalog of books, web resources, and other material.

Business & Economics

- [ABI Inform](#) 1971-pres. Index to local, regional, national and international business news journals.
- [Business & Company Resource Center](#) 1982-pres. Contains information on companies & industries.
- [EconLit](#) 1969-pres. Citations and abstracts to economic literature.
- [Mergent Online](#) Updated continually. US and International company data and annual reports.
- [StatUSA](#) Updated continually. Contains current and historical economic, financial and trade statistics.

Education

- [ERIC](#) 1966-pres. Provides extensive access to educational-related journal articles and documents.
- [ProQuest Education Journals](#) 1991-pres. Entrée to scholarly and professional education literature.

English Literature

- [Gale's Literary Index](#) Updated continually. Indexes literary reference works and critical sources.
- [Literature Online \(LION\)](#) 1700-pres. Library of English & American literature and literary criticism.

General

- [Academic OneFile](#) 1980-pres. Comprehensive database with peer-reviewed full-text articles.
- [Google Scholar](#) Updated continually. Set **Scholar Preferences** to *Fairfield University* for best results.
- [JSTOR](#) Updated continually. An archive of scholarly journals in various disciplines.
- [Project Muse](#) Updated continually. Full-text access to humanities, arts, and social sciences journals.
- [RefWorks](#) Database to organize your research, output your bibliography, & help with in-text citations.
- [Web of Science](#) 1994-pres. Use to find out who has since cited an older but important work.

History

- [America: History & Life](#) 1964-pres. Covers the U.S. and Canada from prehistoric times to the present.
- [Historical Abstracts](#) 1954-pres. History of the world from 1450 to the present, except US and Canada.
- [History Reference Center: U.S. and World](#) Prehistory-pres. Articles, biographies, speeches, maps . . .
- [New York Times—Historical](#) 1851-4 yrs ago. Full text of older issues of the New York Times.

Medicine, Nursing and Health

- [CINAHL](#) 1982-pres. Citations and abstracts to nursing, allied health, and biomedicine literature.
- [Cochrane Library](#) Updated quarterly. The gold standard for systematic reviews in healthcare.
- [Health & Wellness Resource Center](#) 1993-pres. Consumer & professional medical information.
- [Medline \(PubMed\)](#) Updated continually. Citations and abstracts to medical, nursing, & related literature.

Newspapers

- [The Chronicle of Higher Education \(via Journal Locator\)](#) Full text of this daily academic newspaper.
- [Ethnic NewsWatch](#) 1985-pres. Full text of ethnic, minority, and native presses.
- [Lexis Nexis Academic](#) Updated continually. Full text newspapers, business news, & legal information.
- [NewspaperDirect PressDisplay](#) Prev. 60 days-pres. full-color page images of newspapers worldwide.
- [ProQuest Newspapers](#) Updated daily. Full text access to prominent U.S. newspapers.

Psychology and Sociology

[PsycINFO](#) 1872-pres. Indexes journals, book chapters, and dissertations in the field of psychology.

[Sociological Abstracts](#) 1952-pres. International index to sociological and related literature.

[Social Sciences Full Text](#) 1983-pres. Full text articles from a range of social sciences disciplines.

Philosophy and Religious Studies

[ATLA Religion Database](#) 1949-pres. Full text access to major religion and theology journals.

[Catholic Periodical & Literature Index](#) 1981-pres. Index to Catholic journal literature and documents.

[Philosopher's Index](#) 1940-pres. Citations to philosophical periodicals and books.

Sciences

[BIOSIS Previews](#) 1998-pres. Citations to the journal and book literature in the life sciences fields.

[Science Citation Index](#) 1994-pres. Use to find out who has since cited an older but important work.

ART PRICES AT AUCTION

Several websites will provide prices of auctioned artworks. However, most of these sites charge a subscription fee. The best of these is [Artnet.com](http://www.artnet.com/), at <http://www.artnet.com/>, which the DiMenna-Nyselius Library does not subscribe to.

Christie's will allow you to create an account to look up prices, but they request information about your bank account (not a good idea unless you're a serious collector).

Your best bet, short of paying to use Artnet.com, is [Sotheby's](http://www.sothebys.com/) (<http://www.sothebys.com/>):

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1. Create a free account.
2. Then, explore auctions using the "Sold Lot Archive."
3. Search for a particular artist or work of art. The results will reveal the date and place of the sale.
4. Then, you may click on the hyperlinked result that you want,
5. login (unless you're already logged in), and see the amount paid for the work.
6. If foreign currency is indicated, use the "convert currency" button to compare the amount in US dollars.

PROPER CITATION OF SOURCES

[Citation and Style Guides](http://www.fairfield.edu/x7976.html)

<http://www.fairfield.edu/x7976.html>

Help using Chicago, APA, MLA and IEEE citation styles to cite sources in your bibliography and the body of your paper.

[RefWorks](http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php)

<http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php>

Includes the Write-N-Cite utility as a free download. See also "[Importing & Exporting Records into RefWorks, by Database Provider](http://www.fairfield.edu/x13835.html)" directions: <http://www.fairfield.edu/x13835.html>. To produce an **annotated bibliography**, create your free account, download or type in your citations, and output your bibliography using the "*Chicago 15th Edition with Annotations (Notes & Bibliography)*" format. The Write-N-Cite utility will allow you to create **footnotes** in your text as you type your paper. There is a learning curve, so if you'd like to learn more, either [schedule an appointment](http://www.fairfield.edu/x7860.html) (<http://www.fairfield.edu/x7860.html>) with a reference librarian, or come to a **RefWorks training session in the library (room 114) on Wednesday, November 7th from 5-6 p.m. or Thursday, November 8th from 5-6 p.m.**