Background Information:

Signed, cross-referenced articles, most written by historians, with annotated bibliographies profiling ethnic
groups in the United States; includes some thematic essays.

Encyclopedia of American Social History  Ref. HN 57 .E58
Three-volume set of signed, cross-referenced articles that include topical bibliographies.

Articles, many signed, examining American history and society through diverse groups; six volumes, plus 2-
volume supplement.

Signed essays profiling distinct ethnic, ethnoreligious, and Native American groups in the United States; entries
includes additional research sources and bibliographies; three-volume set.

Cross-searchable subject dictionaries and encyclopedias in the humanities and social sciences

Library Catalog  http://sirsi.fairfield.edu
Click on Power Search and use the following keywords to find reference materials:

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Note: the $ is a truncation character that finds any variety of characters (immigra$ finds immigrants or
immigration). While the library catalog uses $ to do this, most other databases use the asterisk *.

For a wider selection of titles, many of which you can order through interlibrary loan, try WorldCAT, a database
available from the list at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php.

Primary Sources:

American Decades Primary Sources  Ref. E169.12 .A42
Companion set to American Decades (20th C. chronology: Ref. E169.12.A419) providing a collection of over
2,000 primary sources and commentaries on them, in parallel chapters. Each chapter begins with a brief
chronology of important events.

American Memory  http://memory.loc.gov/ammem
A growing collection of primary resources collected by the Library of Congress.

Congressional Record  http://origin.www.gpoaccess.gov/crecord/
The official record of the proceedings and debates of the United States Congress. GPO Access contains
Congressional Record volumes from 140 (1994) to the present. The online Congressional Record Index
(http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cri/index.html) indexes the record from 1983 forward. For older issues (1874
forward), visit the Bridgeport Public Library at 925 Broad Street Bridgeport (203) 576-7403,
http://www.bridgeportpubliclibrary.org/.

Contemporary Newspaper Articles  select from list at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php?s=11
- Hartford Courant Historical—1764–1922.
- ProQuest Newspapers—Updated daily. Boston Globe, Christian Science Monitor, Hartford
Documents of American History
Collection of major documents in chronological order with title index.

Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America. Primary Documents.
Primary documents, including letters, articles, cartoons, photos, and songs, illuminate the experience of culture groups in the U.S. from colonial times to the present.

Lexis Nexus Legal database available at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php
Under "Case Law" you may look up a specific case or research an area of law by topic.

United States Bureau of the Census http://www.census.gov
Use the “American FactFinder” and its link to “Reference Shelf” for access to historic census data, which can also be found at http://www.census.gov/population/www/censusdata/hiscendata.html.

Library Catalog (http://sirsi.fairfield.edu) or WorldCAT (at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php)
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Note: other keywords denoting primary documents include the following: correspondence, document, manuscripts, personal narratives, quotations, reports, speeches, law. You may search for only one, or combine them with the word “or” as in: (sources or documents or diaries or interviews or speeches or law).

Scholarly Secondary Sources:

America: History and Life database available at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php
History and culture index for the United States and Canada, covering from prehistoric times to the present; searchable from the present back to 1964, with abstracts; updated monthly.

Expanded Academic ASAP database available at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php
Huge, general database with approximately 50% full-text entries (some with images), others usually with abstracts, from 1980 to today; updated daily.

Google Scholar http://scholar.google.com/
Before searching, set your preferences to Fairfield University and save them.


Humanities Full Text & Social Sciences Full Text http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php
Expanded electronic versions of Humanities Index and Social Sciences Index with coverage dating back to 1984 and 1983, respectively; both are updated daily.

JSTOR database available at http://library2.fairfield.edu/dblist.php
Archive of scanned scholarly journals in various disciplines with cover-to-cover searchability. Titles run from inception (some in 1800s) to recent dates (“embargo” period varies).

Organize & Cite Your Research:

See chapters 4 and 5. Use the model for footnotes/endnotes and bibliography forms contained in the Guide, based on the Chicago Manual of Style (DO NOT use the author-date method); Use “Shortened Forms” in subsequent references.

RefWorks database available at 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 directions: http://www.fairfield.edu/x13835.html http://www.fairfield.edu/x13835.html.

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