Resources Available at the Library: Unequal Childhoods and Race Matters

Library Home page: http://www.chabotcollege.edu/library/

Search Strategy Handout: http://tinyurl.com/yplpr6

Subject Headings

Sometimes instead of searching by keywords, you may have better luck finding materials by consulting the Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH). This is important because you can sometimes get better search results. For example, articles, books, and web sites on Civil Liberties will usually be indexed under “Civil Rights.” To browse such headings, they are in the five thick red volumes on the reference shelves, on the left side of the reference desk.

Social classes  
Social conflict  
Social status  
Classism  
Social stratification  
Social mobility  
Poor  
Poverty  
Low-income consumers  
Rich people  
Working class  
Middle class  
Working poor  
Wealth  

Family  
Family—United States  
Family—Economic Aspects  
Parenting  
Child Rearing  
Child Development  
Parent and Child  
Parental Deprivation  
Parental Influences  
Parental Overprotection  
Parenting, Part-Time  
Parenting, Shared

Single-Parent Families  
Single Parents  
Single Fathers  
Single Mothers  
Divorced Parents  
Divorced Fathers  
Divorced Mothers  
African American Families  
Arab American Families  
Asian American Families  
Mexican American Families

Children  
Poor Children  
Children—United States  
Children—Research  
Children—Social Conditions  
Boys  
Girls  
Adopted Children  
Homeless Children  
Problem Children  
Children and Adults  
Children of Single Parents  
Children of Divorced Parents  
Children of Unemployed Parents  
Racially Mixed Children  
Children of Interfaith Marriage  
Children of Gay Parents

Minorities  
African Americans  
Arab Americans  
Asian Americans  
Hispanic Americans  
Indians of North America  
Mexican Americans  
Chinese Americans  
Immigrants  
Aliens  
Illegal Aliens  
Whites

Race  
Race awareness  
Race Identity  
Race relations  
Ethnic Groups  
Ethnic Relations  
Ethnic Attitudes  
Ethnicity  
Multiculturalism  
Group Identity

Education  
Education—Economical Aspects  
Educational Equalization  
Educational Attainment  
Academic Achievement  
Public Schools  
Universities & Colleges  
Students  
Minority students  
African American Students  
Asian American Students  
Chinese American Students  
Put in here other search terms you discover that fit your research topic:

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Library Subscription Databases:  http://www.chabotcollege.edu/Library/abby/dblist.html  —To find scholarly articles related to your topic that originally appeared in magazines, journals, and newspapers. Originally published in print form.

ProQuest Diversity Databases  http://tinyurl.com/4y865
Search Alt-PressWatch, Ethnic NewsWatch, and GenderWatch to get articles from a good wide range of the alternative presses. Click on the tab that says “Scholarly Journals” to look at strictly scholarly articles.

EbscoHost Academic Search Elite  http://tinyurl.com/db95lr
Find magazine and journal articles in the areas of the social sciences and multi-cultural studies. Limit your search to “peer reviewed” if you want to find well-researched studies of your topic.

Project MUSE  http://tinyurl.com/4ovhc
Scholarly journal articles
Library Catalog—Finding Books and Videos: [http://tinyurl.com/7887g](http://tinyurl.com/7887g)

Search the catalog for books related to a topic of your interest. Select a topic and create a search statement. Find a book and then its call number.

**Searching the Catalog:** This is the best approach when your research need relies on you to combine search terms. Make sure **words or phrase** is selected underneath **Search For** and narrow your search down to **Chabot College** if you only want to find books available at Chabot. Combine different terms such as: Education AND African Americans. Enter your terms with AND in between and then click on **Search**.

See [Your Search Strategy](#) for more information on phrasing a search statement.

### Reference and Statistical Resources

The Library contains many reference books, which are useful for many purposes such as: providing you with an overview of a particular subject, leads to other good resources on your subject, statistics and facts.

#### CQ Researcher
Index at reference desk or at: [http://tinyurl.com/46yapq](http://tinyurl.com/46yapq)

**Statistical Abstract of the United States**
Also available at: [http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/](http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/)

**Historical Statistics of the United States**

**Racial and Ethnic Diversity**
Statistics of racial and ethnic groups across the United States

**Asian Databook**

**Historical Statistics of Black America**

**Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity, and Society**

**Class in America: An Encyclopedia**

**Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America**

**Countries and Their Cultures**

**International Encyclopedia of Marriage and Family**

**Cambridge Encyclopedia of Child Development**

**Encyclopedia of American Education**

**Encyclopedia of Multicultural Psychology**

**Dictionary of Multicultural Psychology**

**Asian American Almanac**

**Hispanic American Almanac**

**Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos & Latinas in the United States**

**African American Almanac**

**Africana: The Encyclopedia of the African and African American Experience**

**Encyclopedia of U.S. Labor and Working-Class History**

Reference: H35 .E35


Reference: E184 .A75 2005

Reference: E185 .H543 1995


Reference: HN90 .S6 C564 2007


Reference: HQ767.9 .C352 2005

Reference: LB17 .U54 1996


Reference: E184.S75 O97 2005

Reference: E185 .A37 1994


More Reference and Statistical Resources

American Women: Who They Are and How They Live  

American Marketplace: Demographics and Spending Patterns  
Reference: HF5415.33 .U66 S4 2005

More reference/statistical resources in E184, 185  
Reference: E184-E185

Web Resources

Use Web search engines (such as Google) last for your research, and if you do, be prepared to evaluate web sites with a very skeptical eye. Anybody can put anything on the web, and if you do not pay attention, you could be referring to very questionable or misinformed sites. For example, a student created an otherwise decent page on the literary author, Toni Morrison, but she linked to a web page that purported to be a research site on Martin Luther King that turned out to be a racist web site from a white supremacy group! The Library has an effective web evaluation checklist available at: http://www.chabotcollege.edu/Library/abby/evaluation.html In general, the Library does NOT recommend New Media sources such as Wikipedia—you should focus more on a more traditional screening and evaluative process for the sources you select from the Web (general laymen and volunteer editors that have no expertise with regards to the content at hand cannot substitute).

Here are places to start on the Web:

Public WWW Sites Selected by Librarians
Chabot College Library has found reliable web sites that you can search at once with our custom Google search engine.

Resources by Subject
Select a discipline and then select one of the search tools listed under “Public World Wide Web”

INFOMINE
When searching, keep in mind that sites listed with a dollar sign after it ($) are premium subscriptions Chabot College is NOT subscribed to, but all other sites are available for you to use.

Library Research Tips and Citing Responsibly

Searchpath: Chabot Library Tutorial
http://www.chabotcollege.edu/library/searchpathclassic/

You Quote It, You Note It: How to Avoid Plagiarism
http://tinyurl.com/oaxmc

MLA Works Cited Handout
http://www.chabotcollege.edu/Library/onlineref/cited.html

Citation Builder
http://www.sourceaid.com/citationbuilder/
Have the Citation Builder create your citation by typing in author, titles, and other relevant publication information.