**SELECTED SOURCES FOR RESEARCH ON UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC HISTORY, 1920-Present**

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**REFERENCE AND BIBLIOGRAPHY**


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**LIBRARY CATALOGS**

**OSU Library Catalog** Find all formats of information provided by OSU Libraries

**OHIOLINK** (Collected catalogs from academic libraries in Ohio, including OSU)

Order items in the catalog from other university libraries in Ohio if the item is not available at OSU

Check OSU catalog and Ohiolink for Books, Films, bibliographies and other cataloged items:

*Sample subject headings:* United States Foreign Relations Great Britain

*Keyword searches* – Rostow and Vietnam* (*find Vietnam, Vietnamese etc.)*

Check OSU catalog for **primary sources** owned by OSU on specific subjects:

*Sample subject headings:* United States --Foreign Relations --Argentina --Sources

*Keyword searches:* “United States” and Israel and memoir* (finds memoir or memoirs)

Atomic bomb and Truman and sources

Also, you may limit a keyword search to the following subject headings: archives, correspondence, diaries, personal narratives. Another possible approach using OSCAR is to do a subject or keyword search and limit to MIC (microforms room) as the location.
JOURNAL ARTICLES, BOOKS

American History and Life, 1959-
Indexes journals, books, and dissertations in American history and culture from pre-colonial times to the present.

JSTOR. Search and read of digitized journals in history and other fields. May search for book reviews.

Foreign Affairs 1922-2007 (JSTOR): -current
“Reviews current events as they affect US relations worldwide, focusing on international, political, commercial and cultural relations.”

Social Science & Humanities Retrospective 1907-1983
Interdisciplinary database to scholarly periodicals from the period

Periodicals Archive Online, 1800-2000s
An archive of hundreds of digitized journals published in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Includes journals in English, French, Spanish, German, Portuguese and Italian.

Reader's Guide Retrospective 1890-1983
Indexes mostly popular literature on the period. (AI3 .R23, Thompson Grand Reading Rm.)


The American Historical Association's Guide to Historical Literature, general editor, Mary Beth Norton; associate editor, Pamela Gerardi. N.Y.: Oxford University Press, 1995. (D20A651995 in THO Grand Reading Rm) Includes annotations to key books and articles on all fields of history.

NEWPAPERS

ProQuest Historical Newspapers [Full Text]
Includes full text search of selected large city newspapers including Chicago Tribune (1849-1987), Los Angeles Times (1881-1987), The New York Times (1851-present [not latest 3 years]), Philadelphia Tribune (1912-2001), The Washington Post (1877-1994), Wall Street Journal (1889-1995); also selected Black (can be search separately) and Jewish newspapers.

Lexis/Nexis Academic, 1980s- Online access to US and international newspapers, selected periodicals, and law review journals (earlier than 1980s). Also has text of state and federal statutes and court decisions, some from early 20th century.

Times Digital Archive (Online: 1785-1985) Search full text of the Times of London and view facsimile image of the newspaper articles. Full text of recent years in Lexis Nexis Academic.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS DOCUMENTS

Selected Guide to General Diplomatic Document Collections, By David Lincove.

Selected Primary Source Documents. (Select Foreign Affairs tab; National Security tab)
Foreign Relations of the United States. 1861-1980s (JX233A3 in Thompson Bound Journal Stacks)
Official document source for US foreign relations. Volumes are arranged chronologically and by region and subject.
All available online: Selected Primary Source Documents. (Select Foreign Affairs tab)

U.S. Department of State
Homepage: https://www.state.gov/
Archive 1990-2017: https://www.state.gov/misc/112234.htm

Proquest Congressional (1789- )
Find the full text of Congressional reports and documents and full text for documents, bills, public laws and hearing
testimony. Includes bills, laws, legislative histories, committee prints, House and Senate documents and reports;
Congressional Record; info on members of Congress; federal regulations)

Digital National Security Archive
"The most comprehensive collection available of significant primary documents central to U.S. foreign and military
policy since 1945." Additional, related documents are available at the National Security Archive at George
Washington Unv.

American Presidency Project
Searchable site that contains public presidential documents, such as executive orders, radio addresses, and
speeches. Also included are the texts of presidential debates since 1960, national party platforms since 1840, state
of the union addresses since 1793, and historical statistical data on the presidency and presidential elections.

United Nations Documents and Publications.

BIOGRAPHY


Marquis Biographies Online (Who’s Who in America; Who Was Who) Brief biographical sketch