



Communication: A Guide to Selected Resources

The following is a guide to selected resources in the field of communication available in Owen Library or through electronic access. It is not intended to be comprehensive. Please consult a Reference Librarian for advice about the best sources and research strategy for your specific topic.

Dictionaries

Dictionary of Media and Communication Studies Reference P87.5.W38 2003

Dictionary of Media Literacy Reference P91.3 .S527 1997

The Nonverbal Dictionary of Gestures, Signs & Body Language Cues

<http://members.aol.com/nonverbal2/diction1.htm#The%NONVERBAL%20DICTIONARY>

This resource is produced by the Center for Nonverbal Studies Press in Spokane, Washington and is a highly recommended web site.

Encyclopedias

Censorship: A World Encyclopedia Reference Z657 .C393 2001

Encyclopedia of Communication and Information Reference P87.5 .E53 2002
Available online through PITT*Cat*

Encyclopedia of Multimedia Reference QA76.575 .E53 2006

Encyclopedia of New Media: An Essential Reference to Communication and Technology
Reference QA76.575 .E5368 2003

Encyclopedia of Rhetoric Reference PN172 .E52 2001

Encyclopedia of Television Reference PN1992.18 .E53 2004

Encyclopedia of Women and Gender Reference HQ1115 .E52 2001

From Talking Drums to the Internet: An Encyclopedia of Communications Technology
Available online through PITT*Cat*

History of the Mass Media in the United States: An Encyclopedia
Reference P92 .U5H57 1998

International Encyclopedia of Communications Reference P87.5 .I5 1989

This four-volume encyclopedia was published jointly with the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Pennsylvania. It contains signed articles in the field of communication. Entries include brief bibliographies.

Directories

<i>Editor & Publisher International Year Book</i>	Reference PN4700 .E42
<i>Gale Directory of Publications and Broadcast Media</i>	Reference Z6951 .A97
<i>National Communication Association Directory</i>	Reference PN4073 .N2534

Other Reference Resources

<i>Dun & Bradstreet's Guide to Doing Business Around the World</i>	Reference HF1416 .M78 2001
<i>The Gallup Poll Tuesday Briefing</i>	Available online through PITT <i>Cat</i> Formerly known as the <i>Gallup Poll Monthly</i> , this electronic periodical is a good resource for public opinion poll information published by the Gallup Organization.
<i>Kiss, Bow, or Shake Hands: How to Do Business in Sixty Countries</i>	Reference HF5389 .M67 1994
<i>The Law of Public Communication</i>	Reference KF2750 .M53 2000
<i>The Public Speaker's Treasure Chest</i>	Reference PN4193 .I5P7 1977

Indexes and Databases

*Locate under "Find Articles" tab by clicking "Databases A-Z."

*Academic Search Premier**

This is a multi-disciplinary database indexes many scholarly journals in a wide variety of academic fields. It includes full-text access to many journal articles back to 1990. Its indexing coverage is from 1984 to the present. It also includes coverage from the *Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, and *The Christian Science Monitor*.

*Communications & Mass Media Complete**

This database provides comprehensive indexing with abstracts for more than 300 core periodicals in the field and selective indexing for an additional 100 periodicals. There are links to full-text for more than 200 periodicals. Areas of coverage include: communications, mass media, journalism, television, radio, newspaper publishing, speech, broadcasting, communication theory and advertising. This is a very important resource for the field.

*ERIC**

This database, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, is primarily focused on literature in the field of education. In addition, it also indexes a significant amount of related literature in the social sciences, including communication. Coverage is from 1966 forward. It includes a citation, abstract, and some full-text links. It is also possible to search ERIC directly through: <http://www.eric.ed.gov/>

*Ethnic NewsWatch**

This database provides indexing and full-text access to a collection of newspapers, magazines and journals of the ethnic press. It includes approximately 500,000 articles dating from 1990. This is an excellent resource.

*GenderWatch**

This database provides full-text access to publications focusing on the impact of gender across a broad range of subjects. Publications include: academic and scholarly periodicals, newspapers, magazines,

books, conference proceedings, and government publications. It includes some indexing and full-text access back to 1970.

Index to Journals in Communication Studies through 1990
Ronald J. Matlon, ed.
Annandale, VA: Speech Communication Association, 1987.

Reference P87. M37 1992z

*Linguistics and Language Behavior Abstracts**

This database focuses on the nature and use of language. It indexes journal articles, books, book chapters, dissertations, and reviews of book and other media. It is international in scope and provides indexing from 1973 to present. There are some full-text links.

*National Newspapers**

This database provides full-text access to select newspapers in the U.S., including the *New York Times* (back to 1851), *Christian Science Monitor*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Los Angeles Times*, and the *Washington Post*.

*PsycINFO**

This resource provides indexing coverage back to 1887 for journal articles, books, book chapters, dissertations, and technical reports. It is international in its scope, covering literature in the field of psychology and numerous resources from related disciplines.

*Sociological Abstracts (SocioFile)**

This database provides indexing, abstracts and some full-text links to articles published in sociology and related fields. Coverage is from 1963 forward.

*Women's Resources International**

This database provides indexing access to material covering scholarly research on women's issues, women's studies and gender-focused topics. Coverage is from 1972 forward.

Additional Web Resources

American Communication Association

<http://www.americancomm.org/>

Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania

<http://www.annenbergpublicpolicycenter.org>

This site provides useful links to web accessible research reports and polls. Special focus is given to political and health communication.

Association for Progressive Communications

<http://www.apc.org/en>

The APC is an international network of organizations using communication for peace, human rights, and the preservation of the environment.

Association for Women in Communication

<http://www.womcom.org/>

Center for Nonverbal Studies

<http://members.aol.com/nonverbal2/index.htm>

This research center's site focuses on mass media, gesture, facial expression, body movement, fashion, etc.

Communication Links Web Navigation

<http://www.cios.org/encyclopedia/comlinks/weblinks.htm>

This is a high quality web site maintained by a graduate student in Communications at Rutgers University. Provides links to graduate programs, journals and other media, speech, research methods and many different communication sub-fields, etc.

Communication Studies Resources

<http://www.uiowa.edu/~commstud/resources/>

This web site offers valuable links to web resources in all communication fields. This is maintained by the University of Iowa's Department of Communication Studies. This is a very useful web site.

Finding Data on the Internet

<http://www.robertniles.com/data/>

This is a helpful site for understanding statistics. Provides links to quality web sites offering reliable data.

Freedom Forum

<http://www.freedomforum.org/>

A non-partisan foundation dedicated to freedom of speech.

International Association of Business Communications

<http://www.iabc.com>

Media Report to Women

<http://www.mediareporttowomen.com/>

This web site provides on all different types of media and the way women are depicted, as well as issues of interest to women.

National Communication Association

<http://www.natcom.org/>

The Phrase Finder

<http://www.phrases.org.uk/>

Provides the origin and meaning to over 2,000 phrases in the English language. Browse or search for phrases and their meanings.

The Write Way

<http://www.mailbag.com/users/lrjohnson/Writing.html#top>

This site offers a good list of additional communications links.