



Sociology: A Guide to Selected Resources

The following is a selective list of Sociology resources available in the Owen Library or accessible online. It is not intended to be a comprehensive list. Please consult a reference librarian for advice on the best sources and search strategy for your topic.

Biography

Dead Sociologists' Society <http://media.pfeiffer.edu/lridener/DSS/DEADSOC.HTML>
Created by a faculty member at Pfeiffer University, this site provides brief biographical information on noted sociologists and their significant works.

Famous Sociologists <http://www.sociosite.net/topics/sociologists.php>
Provides useful biographical information on more than eighty important sociologists, along with full-text of some of their writings and theories. Site maintained by the Department of Sociology at the University of Amsterdam.

Dictionaries

The Blackwell Dictionary of Sociology: A User's Guide to Sociological Language
Available online through PITT*Cat+*
Provides concise definitions of basic terms in the field of sociology. Definitions provide a few references for additional reading. Also includes brief biographical sketches of some significant individuals in the discipline.

Cambridge Dictionary of Sociology Available online through PITT*Cat+*

Dictionary of Sociology Reference HM425 .L39 2001
Provides concise definitions of terms pertinent to the field of Sociology.

Sage Dictionary of Sociology Available online through PITT*Cat+*

Thesaurus of Sociological Indexing Terms Reference Z695.1.S63 B66 2003
(Ask at the Reference Desk)

Handbooks

Blackwell Companion to Social Theory 2nd ed. Available online through PITT*Cat+*

Domestic Violence: A Reference Handbook Reference HV6626.2.M43 2008

Handbook of Economic Sociology Available online through PITT*Cat+*

Handbook of Political Sociology Available online through PITT*Cat+*

The Handbook Of Social Psychology HM1011.H37 2010

Social Psychology: Handbook of Basic Principles Reference HM251 .S6743 1996
The 2007 edition is available online through PITT*Cat+*

21st Century Sociology: a Reference Handbook Reference HM585 .A13 2007
Also available online through PITT*Cat+*

Encyclopedias

- American Immigrant Cultures: Builders of a Nation* Reference E184.A1A63448 1997
- Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology* Available online through PITT*Cat+*
- Countries and Their Cultures* Reference GN 307 .C68 2001
Also available online through PITT*Cat+*
- Encyclopedia of Aging* Reference HQ1061 .E53 2006
- Encyclopedia of Crime and Justice* 2nd ed. (4 vols.) Reference HV6017 .E52 2002
Available online through PITT*Cat+*
- Encyclopedia of Homelessness* Reference HV4493 .E53 2004
- Encyclopedia of Human Development* Reference HM626 .E53 2006
- Encyclopedia of Religion and Society* Available online through PITT*Cat+*
A single-volume encyclopedia compiling many of the social science perspectives of religion, such as aspects of anthropology, sociology, and psychology. Primary focus is religion in North America.
- Encyclopedia of Sociology* 2nd ed. Reference HM425 .E5 2000
Available online through PITT*Cat+*
A five-volume encyclopedia with many useful entries on a variety of topics related to the field of Sociology, such as theories, research methods, and sub-fields within Sociology. Entries include a list of references for further reading.
- Encyclopedia of Urban Studies* Reference HT108.5 .E634 2010
Also available online through PITT*Cat+*
- Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America* Reference E184.A1 G14 1999
Available online through PITT*Cat+*
- Greenwood Encyclopedia of Women's Issues Worldwide* Reference HQ1154 .G74 2003
- Harvard Encyclopedia of American Ethnic Groups* Reference E184 .A1H35
- International Encyclopedia of Marriage and Family* Reference HQ 9 .E52 2003
Available online through PITT*Cat+*
A four-volume encyclopedia offering brief entries on many pertinent topics related to marriage and the family.
- Polling America: An Encyclopedia of Public Opinion* Reference HN90.P8 P645 2005
- Science, Technology, and Society: An Encyclopedia* Reference HM846 .S43 2005
- Survey of Social Science: Sociology Series* Reference HM 17 .S86 1994
This is a five-volume reference tool that provides over 300 entries on topics relevant to the field of Sociology. Some entries are lengthy and can offer a good introduction to the study of a topic. Each entry includes a list of references for further reading.
- Violence in America: An Encyclopedia* (3 vols.) Reference HN 90 .V5V5474 1999

Women's Studies Encyclopedia

Reference HQ 1115 .W645 1999
Available online through PITTCat+

This is a useful three-volume encyclopedia that provides important information on feminist research from the perspective of numerous disciplines. Each volume includes an extensive bibliography of other resources on the topic.

Worldmark Encyclopedia of Cultures and Daily Life (4 vols.) Reference GN333 .W67 2009

This is a very useful resource for information on daily life and cultures around the world. It is arranged by country in alphabetical order.

Databases

*** Locate under "Find Articles" tab, then click "Databases By Title."**

Current Index to Statistics*

This is a bibliographic index to publications in statistics and related fields. References are drawn from 111 core journals that are fully indexed, non-core journals from which articles are selected that have statistical content, proceedings and edited books, and other sources.

Ethnic Newswatch *

This database index provides a full-text collection of newspapers, journals, and magazines from the ethnic and minority press. Coverage is from 1990 to present.

GenderWatch*

This full-text database focuses on the impact gender has across various subject areas. It indexes publications including scholarly journals, magazines, books, newspapers, conference proceedings, and special reports from government and non-government agencies. Coverage is from 1970 to present.

Polling the Nations*

This is an online database of public opinion polls containing the full text of 500,000 questions and responses from 14,000+ surveys conducted from 1986 through the present in the United States and 100 other countries around the world.

Sociological Abstracts*

This is a core index for the field of sociology. It covers original research, reviews, books, case studies, conference papers, and dissertations. It is the electronic version of the print *Sociological Abstracts*. It indexes articles pertinent to the discipline from approximately 2000 journals and other serial publications and provides citations with abstracts. Coverage is from 1974 to present.

Social Sciences Citation Index (Web of Science)*

This database brings together indexing for over 8,000 scholarly journals. Researchers can search citation data (from the footnotes of each article), taking a known, relevant paper or work and finding other, more recent papers that cite it. It covers the time period from 1992 to the present.

Social Theory*

Social Theory brings together an extensive range of influential writings representing the most important trends of sociological thought from the eighteenth century to the present day. Included in the more than 90,000 pages of searchable content are 274 seminal works by such theorists as Harriet Martineau, Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Max Weber, Karl Marx, Emile Durkheim, Jürgen Habermas, Talcott Parsons, Michel Foucault and Jean Baudrillard.

SocINDEX*

This is a comprehensive sociology database featuring citations with subject headings from a sociology specific thesaurus. It contains informative abstracts for more than 590 "core" journals dating back to 1985. The database offers coverage from all subdisciplines of sociology.

Statistical Insight*

This is an electronic database combining three different print statistical indexes: *American Statistics Index*, *Statistical Reference Index*, and *Index to International Statistics*. The database indexes and provides links to full-text of selected publications.

Women and Social Movements *

This is an excellent resource for primary full-text documents related to women and social movements in U.S. history. It also includes lesson plans for teachers.

Women's Studies International*

This is an excellent resource for finding articles on women's issues or topics from the feminist perspective. It provides citations with some abstracts to articles from more than 500 periodicals and some books. Coverage is from 1972 to present.

Statistics

Consumer Sourcebook 2005

Reference HC110.C63 W37

County and City Data Book

Published annually.

<http://www.census.gov/statab/www/ccdb.html>

Demographic Yearbook. Annuaire Demographique.

This resource provides demographic and vital statistics information for the world. It is arranged in tables.

Reference HA17 .D45

Ethnic Cultures of the World: A Statistical Reference

Reference GN495.4 .P37 1997

Hispanic American Almanac

Reference E184.S75 H557 2003

***Racial and Ethnic Diversity* 5th ed.**

Reference E184 .A1 R317 2006

***Social Trends & Indicators USA* (4 vols.)**

Reference HN 60 .S62 2003

Statistical Abstract of the United States

Published annually. Recent years are also available electronically at:

Reference HA 202

<http://www.census.gov/>

Statistical Handbook on Adolescents in America

Reference HQ 796 .S8237 1996

Statistical Handbook on Aging Americans

Reference HQ 1064 .U5S695 1994

Statistical Handbook on Women in America

Reference HQ1420 .T34 1996

Statistical Record of Native North Americans

Reference E 98 .P76S73 1993

Additional Web Resources

American Sociological Association

Includes online newsletter *Footnotes*, which describes results of sociological research.

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

Forced Migration Online

Site maintained by Refugee Studies Centre (University of Oxford). Provides access to a wealth of information on the situation and issues of forced migrants worldwide.

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

National Criminal Justice Reference Service

Web site includes statistics, reports and other links relevant to the field of criminal justice. It is maintained by the U.S. Department of Justice.

<http://www.ncjrs.gov/>

Roper Center for Public Opinion Research

<http://www.ropercenter.uconn.edu/>

This is an archive for public opinion information gathered from surveys conducted in the United States, Latin America and other regions around the world. Also includes information on conducting polls and their uses.

Social Movements & Culture

http://culturalpolitics.net/social_movements/

This site provides information and links to the study of social movements in the United States. Emphasizes more recent movements, but does include materials on early movements in the nation's history.

Social Science Information Gateway (SOSIG)

<http://www.sosig.ac.uk/sociology/>

The Social Science Information Gateway (SOSIG) is a fully-searchable subject-based catalog of international Internet resources. SOSIG aims to provide a trusted source of selected, high quality Internet information for researchers and practitioners in the social sciences.

A Sociology Timeline from 1600

<http://www.edstephan.org/timeline.html>

This web site provides a timeline of events and individuals important to the field of sociology. Links also offer biographical information to some important individuals and a few electronic texts relevant to sociology.

The SocioWeb

<http://www.socioweb.com>

This is a compilation of useful links to sociological resources on the Internet. It is searchable by keyword, category or type of material.

Websites of Interest to Sociologists

<http://www.luc.edu/sociology/resources.shtml>

Site maintained by the Department of Sociology, Loyola University Chicago. It provides a compilation of useful links for sociologists, arranged by subdivisions and areas of interest within the field.