Databases for History Research

**Gale Virtual Reference Library**

A good place to start. This is a collection of subject-specific encyclopedias. Look up your topic and look for an “overview” article. This will help you put your topic in historical context and get the key dates, names, and ideas related to your topic. These will help you refine your focus and expand your search vocabulary.

**Academic Search Complete**

A general database of magazine and journal articles that covers all topics. Limit your search to Full Text in the left column.

**America: History and Life**

Magazine and journal articles that focus on American history. Limit your search to Full Text in the left column.

**Current Biography Illustrated**

Biographical essays on people from 1940 - present

**JSTOR**

Scholarly journal articles. Enter a very specific search. For example, in the first search box, enter the term *Marco Polo*; in the second box, enter the term *Persia*. Unclick the two boxes that say “Include only content I can access” and “Include links to external content”. Under Narrow by, select Articles. Now select disciplines under Journal filter, such as Asian Studies and History.

**Primary Sources**

**Academic Search Complete**

Includes *Vital Speeches International* and *Vital Speeches of the Day*; speeches are primary sources. Enter your topic in the first search box and “speeches, addresses, etc.” in the second search box. Limit your search to Full Text in the left column.

**Access Newspaper Archives**

Selected articles from American newspapers from 1759 – present. It includes some years of the *El Paso Herald-Post, El Paso Times*, and *UTEP Prospector*.

**African-American Newspapers**

Newspapers from 1827-1998

**Chronicling America**

Selected newspapers from 1836-1922

**Declassified Documents Reference System**

Selected government documents (FBI, CIA, State Department, President’s office) from 1945-1979

**Early American Newspapers** - Selected newspapers from 1690-1876

**Hemeroteca Digital de Chihuahua**

Chihuahua and U.S.-Mexico border publications from 1976- present

**Newspaper Archive of The Prospector**
UTEP's Prospector from 1915-2010

ProQuest Congressional Publications (U.S. Serial Set and Serial Set Maps)

The proceedings of the U.S. Congress from 1789-1969. We have later volumes in paper.

ProQuest Historical Newspapers: The Los Angeles Times – From 1881-1990

ProQuest Historical Newspapers: The New York Times – From 1851-2010

Texas Historical Newspaper Archives

Selected newspaper articles from 1813-1922

Women & Social Movements in the U.S. – Documents 1600-2000

Women & Social Movements International – Documents 1840-present

Specific Topics: Ask a Librarian if Your Area is Not Listed

ArtStor

Images of art works and architecture from ancient to modern times

Art Full Text

Journal articles about art

Business Source Complete

Journal articles about business

Contemporary Women’s Issues

Materials from 1992 - present

Education Full Text

Journal articles about education

Film & Television Literature Index

Journal articles about movies & TV

PAIS International

Various types of documents on political, economic, and public policy issues. Includes some full text and some primary source material.

RILM

Various types of materials, including scholarly journals, on music. Limit your search to Full Text in the left column.

Science and Technology Collection (Ebsco)

Magazine and journal articles about science and technology

SPORTDiscus

Magazine and journal articles on sports, physical therapy, etc.