Library Research Services

Research Appointments
Meet with a librarian to discuss research strategies and sources for your papers

Interlibrary Loan (ILLiad)
Get books and articles that aren’t available at Oberlin

RefWorks
Collect, organize and edit citations and create bibliographies

Selected Reference Sources

*Cambridge encyclopedia of hunters and gatherers*
Main Reference GN388 .C35 1999

*Native peoples of the world : an encyclopedia of groups, cultures, and contemporary*

*Indigenous peoples and environmental issues: an encyclopedia*
Main Reference GF50 .J65 2003

*Encyclopedia of world cultures*

*Handbook of North American Indians*
Main Reference E76.2 .H36 (multiple vols.)

*The Cambridge world history of food*
Main Reference TX353 .C255 2000 vols. 1 - 2 - *also an e-book*

*Food cultures of the world encyclopedia*
e-book

Finding Books, Films, etc.

Once you’ve mined OBIS and the OhioLINK Library Catalog for materials, try searching WorldCat, which provides references to books and other materials held by libraries worldwide.

If you identify materials in WorldCat that are not listed in OBIS or OhioLINK, you may request them through the Interlibrary Loan service.
HRAF - Human Relations Area Files

Human Relations Area Files, Inc. at Yale University collects publications on cultures of the world -- books, manuscripts, journal articles, and dissertations by anthropologists, sociologists, other social scientists, travelers, and missionaries, and indexes them at the paragraph level using a specially developed system of subject codes (aka the Outline of Cultural Materials or OCM).

Oberlin has HRAF in two formats: microfiche and eHRAF: World Cultures, a full text database.

Not all cultures that have been identified have files; some cultures have files in fiche only, some have online files only, some have files in both formats.

To determine which files are available in fiche consult the Outline of World Cultures handbook on top the microfiche cabinet - there is a list of files tucked inside the front cover.

Finding Articles, Essays, etc. Using Databases

Access all databases via the Library web site.

- **Anthropology Plus**
  - Largest and most comprehensive source for anthropology
  - Produced from collections at Harvard and the Royal Anthropological Institute
  - Coverage goes back to early 19th century publications

- **Abstracts in Anthropology (2001 - )**
  - Covers fewer journals and less time but provides summaries

- **AnthroSource**
  - Access to all publications produced by the American Anthropological Association

- **Early Encounters in North America**
  - Letters, diaries, memoirs and other accounts of early encounters between Native Americans and peoples from Europe, as well as Latin America, Asia, and Africa

Other databases:

- Academic Search Complete
- America: History & Life
- Bibliography of Native North Americans
- Google Scholar - scholar.google.com
- Historical Abstracts
- JSTOR: The Scholarly Journal Archive
- OhioLINK Electronic Journal Center (EJC)
- ProQuest Dissertations & Theses
- SociINDEX
- Sociological Collection
- Summon
- Web of Knowledge