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

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

Food cultures of the world encyclopedia
  e-book and Main Library GT2850 .F666 2011

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.

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 - leads to some duplication of records
  - Coverage goes back to early 19th century publications

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

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

**Other database suggestions:**

- Academic Search Complete
- America: History & Life
- Bibliography of Native North Americans
- Early Encounters in North America
- Historical Abstracts
- JSTOR: The Scholarly Journal Archive
- OhioLINK Electronic Journal Center (EJC)
- ProQuest Dissertations & Theses
- SocINDEX
- Sociological Collection
- Summon
- Web of Science