Resources in African American Studies

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African American Studies is the study of people of African descent including the evolution of African American culture in the United States, comparative race relations, feminism, and social policy change.
African American Studies Journals

- **African American Review** Official publication of MLA's Black American Literature and Culture division
- **Black American Literature Forum** Early publication of MLA's Black American Literature and Culture division
- **Black Renaissance** Put out by the Africana Studies Program and the Institute of African American Affairs at New York University
- **Black Scholar** Founded in 1969, this is a peer-reviewed, interdisciplinary journal devoted to the exploration of cultural, political, social, and economic issues affecting black Americans and other peoples of African descent across the world
- **Black Women, Gender & Families**
- **Callaloo** Original works by and critical studies of black writers worldwide
- **CLA Journal** Published since 1957 by the College Language Association - an association formed by historically black colleges and universities in 1937. It is a peer reviewed journal that features book reviews and articles in the areas of language, literature, linguistics and pedagogy.
• **Ethnic & Racial Studies** An interdisciplinary academic forum for the presentation of research and theoretical analysis, drawing on sociology, social policy, anthropology, political science, economics, international relations, history and social psychology.

• **Journal of African American History** Founded by Carter Woodson in 1916 as the *Journal of Negro History*. Since then, this journal has become one of the leading scholarly sources on African American life and history.

• **Journal of Black Studies** - Scholarship on the Black experience.

• **Journal of Blacks in Higher Education** Importance of higher education in the lives of Black Americans.

• **Journal of Negro Education** Study of Blacks and education.

• **Langston Hughes Review** The official publication of the Langston Hughes Society.

• **The Review of Black Political Economy** Published in affiliation with the National Economic Association, this journal examines the economic status of African American and Third World peoples and analyzes policies designed to either reduce economic inequality or to advance economic opportunities.

• **Transition** Multidisciplinary journal providing essays and book reviews and essays on a wide range of topics in African American Studies.
African American Studies
Major Journals

- African American Communities
- Crisis
- Messenger
- Opportunity
- African American Newspapers (1827-1998)
African American Studies Article Databases

Black Studies Center
The Black Studies Center provides access to several resources at once: Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience, International Index to Black Periodicals (IIBP), 10 historical African American newspapers, Black Literature Index, 100 oral history videos in History Makers, and Black Abolitionist Papers (1830-1865).

America: History & Life with Full Text
The definitive index to articles and other literature (books, dissertations, book reviews, etc.) covering the history and culture of the U.S. and Canada, from the 15th century to the present. Indexes nearly 1,800 journals from 1860s to present, including all key journals in the discipline, state and local history publications, and selected articles from scholarly journals in the social sciences and humanities.
MLA International Bibliography
Index to scholarly publication in literature, languages, linguistics, and folklore from over 4000 journals and series published worldwide. Indexing only: no full text.

JSTOR
A growing full text collection of core social science, humanities, and science journals.

Project MUSE
MUSE provides access to the complete content (including all images) of nearly 500 current scholarly journals in the humanities and social sciences.

• African American periodicals, 1825-1995 (Readex) : Features more than 170 wide-ranging periodicals by and about African Americans.

• Black Index : Afro-Americana in Selected Periodicals, 1907-1949 (print). Richard Newman. 266pp. Main Library Z1361.N39 N58 : An index to periodical articles published about African Americans in popular and scholarly magazines from 1907 to 1949. (References from the Journal of Negro History have been excluded since that journal publishes its own index.) Access is by author and subject.
African American
Periodical Indexes and Databases

• **Index to Black Periodicals Collection** (title varies). An annual author, title, and subject index to articles and book reviews by and about African Americans published in thirty-nine black journals from 1941 through 2001.

  - **Guide to Negro Periodical Literature [microform], 1-3 (1941-1943).** Lincoln University/Winston Salem State University. Microforms Collection (2 West) 11914 Microfilm


• **Index to Periodical Articles By and About Blacks, 1973-1983** (Print). G. K. Hall. Main Library Reference (1 East) AI3 .O4


• **G.K. Hall Index to Black Periodicals, 1999-2000**. Gale Group. Main Library Reference (1 East) AI3 .O4

**International Index to Black Periodicals** (IIBP) (online), see **Black Studies Center**. Chadwick Healy. Full-text coverage of 40 core Black Studies periodicals (**1998 to the present**), along with indexing and abstracting for over 150 scholarly and popular journals, newspapers and newsletters from the United States, Africa and the Caribbean (**1902 to the present**).


African American Magazines and Newspapers

- Black Enterprise
- Ebony Magazine Archive
- Essence Magazine
- Diverse: Issues In Higher Education (Formally Black Issues In High Education)
- Black Collegian Magazine
- Jet Magazine
- The Source Magazine
African American Studies
Magazines and Newspapers

Black World/Negro Digest
USC has print copies of Negro Digest from 1943-1944, and Black World from 1973-1976.

Founded in 1942, this was the first successful black-owned and published general interest magazine in America. It was also the first publication of Johnson Publishing Company, which went on to publish Jet and Ebony magazines. Negro Digest was modeled after Reader's Digest magazine. It temporarily ceased publication for 10 years between 1951-1961, and in 1970 its name was changed to Black World; its last issue was published in April 1976.
African American Studies
Research Centers

**Carter G. Woodson Institute**
The Institute was established in 1981 in response to student and faculty demands for a more coherent African-American and African Studies program and a more aggressive program of minority recruitment at Virginia University.

**Frederick Patterson Research Institute**
The Frederick D. Patterson Research Institute is the nation's foremost research organization focusing on the educational status of African Americans of all ages from preschool through adulthood. The Institute is compelled to understand and expand the multiple pathways leading to educational attainment.

**UCLA Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies**
The Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies, founded in 1969 as the Center for African American Studies (CAAS), is the result of the struggle by black students at UCLA to have their history and culture recognized and studied. The Bunche Center was established as an Organized Research Unit (ORU), with the mission to develop and strengthen African American Studies through five primary organizational branches: research, academic programs, library and media center, special projects, and publications.

**W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for African and African American Research**
Named after the first African American to receive a Ph.D. from Harvard University (1895), the idea for the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for African and African American Research was proposed in the Report of the Faculty Committee on African and Afro-American Studies dated 20 January 1969. In May of 1975 in its progress report to President Derek C. Bok, the Institute's Advisory Board announced the establishment of four fellowships for the 1975–1976 academic year. The fellowships were intended to "facilitate the writing of doctoral dissertations in areas related to Afro-American studies." As such, the Du Bois Institute is the nation's oldest research center dedicated to the study of the history, culture, and social institutions of Africans and African Americans.
African American Studies
Documentaries

- Slavery by Another Name
- The Black Power Mixtape 1967-1975
- The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross
- Soundtrack for a Revolution
- Dark Girls
- The Black List: Volume One
- Break The Huddle: The Integration of College for Football
- More Than a Month
- Through a Lens Darkly: Black Photographers and the Emergence of a People
- Eyes of The Prizes
- Roots
- Freedom Riders
African American Studies
Digital Collections

• African American Communities
• African American Newspapers: The 19th Century
• African American Newspapers: 1827-1928
• Afro-Americana Imprints, 1535-1922
• African American Studies Center (Oxford)
• Black Abolitionist Paper (ProQuest)

• Black Studies Center (ProQuest)
• Black Studies in Video
• Black Thought in Culture
• ProQuest Dissertations and Theses
• Slavery, Abolition and Social Justice
• Twentieth Century African-American Poetry
African American Studies
Inter-Active Websites

Slide Shows & Actives
https://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/bhistory/underground_railroad/plantation.htm
African American Studies
Research Resources

• Africana.com
• Black Collegian Online
• Black Press USA
• Ebony Online
• Freedoms Journal
• Google Cultural Institute: Black History and Culture
• Journal Black in Higher Education
• Journal of Black Studies
• Journal of Negro Education
• Journal of Negro History
• NAACP Online
• Transition
• Universal Black Pages
• Western Journal of Black Studies
African American Studies
Encyclopedia and Handbooks

• African America Almanac
• Black First Contemporary Black Biograph
• Encyclopedia of African American History, 1619-1895
• Encyclopedia of African American History, 1896-present
• Encyclopedia of African-American Culture and History
• Encyclopedia of Race and Racism
African American Publishers

- Black Classic Press
- Broadside Press
- Lotus Press
- Online Guide to African American Books
- Third World Press
- University of The West Indies Press
African American Studies
Recent Acquisitions

- New Acquisitions/American Art
- AACC Library Acquisitions | African American Culture Center
- Art at the DIA New Acquisitions – Detroit Institute of Arts
- Philadelphia Museum of Art – Collections : New Acquisitions
- Colonial Williamsburg exhibit
- Black Artist and the March into the 20th Century
African American Studies Websites

• **Atlanta University Center catalog** Includes holdings of the Atlanta University Center Archives. Website: [http://www.auctr.edu/archives/collections/book-collections/](http://www.auctr.edu/archives/collections/book-collections/)


• **Cornell University Library catalog** Includes holdings of the John Henrik Clarke Africana Library. Website: [http://www.library.cornell.edu/africana/](http://www.library.cornell.edu/africana/)
• **Duke University Library catalog** Includes holdings of the John Hope Franklin Research Center for African and African-American Documentation. Website: [http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/franklin/](http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/franklin/)

• **Howard University Library catalog** Includes holdings of the Moorland-Spingarn Research Center. Website: [MRSC Manuscript Division](http://library.temple.edu/collections/blockson).

• Temple University Libraries catalog Includes holdings of the Charles L. Blockson Afro-American Historical Collection. Website: [http://library.temple.edu/collections/blockson](http://library.temple.edu/collections/blockson) (Temple University); see also [https://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/speccolls/rbm/blockson.html](https://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/speccolls/rbm/blockson.html) (Penn State University)

• **Tulane University Libraries catalog** Includes holdings of the Amistad Research Center. Website: [http://www.amistadresearchcenter.org/index.php/collections](http://www.amistadresearchcenter.org/index.php/collections)
African American Studies Additional Resources

- AAST Graduate Programs - http://www.ncbsonline.org/africana_studies_graduate_programs
- AAST Library Resources - http://libguides.library.cofc.edu/africanamericanstudies
- Black American Feminisms Bibliography - http://legacy.library.ucsb.edu/subjects/blackfeminism/
African American Studies Social Media

• **Facebook** - https://www.facebook.com/CofCAAST
• **Twitter** - https://www.twitter.com/AASTCofC
• **Instagram** - http://instagram.com/cofcbarbados
• **Tumblr** - http://cofcbarbados.tumblr.com/