



# Women's & Gender Studies

## Library Resource Guide

### Finding Books

You can find books in the [UT Library Catalog](#) (or the OhioLINK Central Catalog) using keywords for your topics or a subject headings search. More help is available from the [UT Library Catalog Guide](#). Suggested subject headings include:

**Women Social Conditions**  
**Body Image**

**Sex Role**  
**Women in (...)**

**Sex Crimes**  
**Single Women**

**\*See a librarian for assistance with searching for materials**

### Finding Articles (OhioLINK Research Databases)

#### [Contemporary Women's Issues](#)

Focuses on the critical issues and events that influence women's lives. Content includes women's health, psychology, education, and social and political forces that affect women in over 190 countries. Full-text access is derived from journals, newsletters, proceedings, and research reports obtained from governments, international agencies, non-profit groups, and alternative press.

#### [Gender Studies Database](#)

Covers a wide range of gender issues, with several thousand links to freely available and indexed full-text articles and web documents. Sources include journals, conference papers, books, book chapters, government reports, discussion and working papers, theses & dissertations.

#### [GenderWatch](#)

Documents the impact of gender and gender roles across the full spectrum of work, society, culture, and politics. In-depth coverage is given to issues "uniquely central" to women: day care, domestic abuse, aging parents, body image, etc. Full-text articles are taken from journals, newspapers, proceedings, government agency reports, private research findings, and pamphlets.

#### [The Gerritsen Collection](#)

Full text of articles and books describing the history of women's rights and the evolution of a feminist consciousness in the early 20th century. Two million page images are available exactly as they appeared in the original printed works, including access to rare primary sources.

#### [Women Studies Abstracts](#)

Covers the full range of women's studies and feminist issues taken from a select number of worldwide publications, most in English and many university-based.

Search [Anthropological Literature](#) for articles and essays on women and anthropological or archeological interests; [FRANCIS](#) for articles focusing on women and the arts, especially, literary topics; and, [Sociological Abstracts](#) or [SocINDEX](#) for articles relating women and social and behavioral issues. Hint: Do Keyword searches until you become knowledgeable with the databases' content and with the Subject Headings used.

## Background Information

[The Greenwood Encyclopedia of Women's Issues Worldwide](#) General Collection 4<sup>th</sup> Floor HQ1726 .G74 2003 v. 1-6  
A six-volume set providing information on women's issues in over 130 countries.

[Notable American Women: a biographical dictionary completing the twentieth century](#) Reference CT3260 .N5725 2004  
Covers almost 500 women from 1976 through 1999. Includes entries on women in the arts, the media, science, academia, politics, religion and more. Offers interpretive biographical essays that incorporate personal information with professional achievements in historical context.

[World Who's Who of Women](#) Northwest Ohio Book Depository CT 3235.W6x  
Aims for comprehensiveness in its brief biographies of women of achievement. Includes bibliography.

[Women in World History](#) Reference HQ1115.W6 1999  
A first rate reference source; this seventeen-volume set offers fascinating biographies and well-written accounts of historical, legendary, cultural, and contemporary topics. An information section added at the end of each article is outstanding and a real boon to the serious researcher.

[Women's Issues](#) Reference HQ1115 .W6425 1997 v.1-3  
This set covers a wide variety of topics including terms, persons, organizations, historical events, legal issues, federal legislation, and race. Although the focus is on women in the United States, this encyclopedia has many articles providing a Canadian perspective.

[Women's Studies Encyclopedia](#) Reference HQ1115.W645 1999 v.1-3  
Alphabetically arranged signed essays that touch on all facets and aspects of the female condition. Although the focus is on the American experience, many articles deal with women in other geographical areas and cultures or in general. With "ready reference" information, a multi-disciplined approach, bibliographies, photographs, charts, statistics, maps, and related cross-references.

## Manuscript Collection in Canaday Center

<http://www.cl.utoledo.edu/canaday/manuscripts.html>

Included in the manuscript collection is a tribute to women in politics in northwest Ohio. There is also a comprehensive guide to the manuscript collection and a guide to primary resources on the web for 19<sup>th</sup> Century Women.

## Definitions

[Larousse Dictionary of Women](#) Reference CT 3202 .L37 1996x  
Provides concise biographies of both "famous" and "lesser-known" women worldwide who have had a significant measure of achievement or influence in every era and in all fields of interest.

[The Women's Desk Reference](#) General Collection 4<sup>th</sup> Floor HQ 1236.5 .V6F73 1993  
This fine resource refers to the whole range of contemporary social, legal, psychological, medical, and other issues from a female perspective. Includes a directory of professional social services for women.

## Standard Reference Sources

[Timetables of Women's History](#) Reference HQ1121.G74 1994  
Chronicles women's achievements in a general historical context.

[The Chronology of Women's History](#) Reference HQ1121.O47 1994  
Gives brief vignettes of women's encounter with history in context of the times. The Chronology is organized by topical categories: government, the military and the law; activism; athletics and exploration; business and industry. This reference work is notable for its inclusion of non - western women and its riveting descriptions in the "General Status and Daily Life" section.

[Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender](#) Reference HQ16 .E52 2007 v. 1-4  
Provides comparative articles on issues related to gender, gender differences, gender roles, relationships between the genders, and sexuality. Combines current topics with cultural portraits.

## Internet Resources

[U.S. Census Bureau](http://www.census.gov/)

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A source of quality data about the nation's people and economy from the 2000 Census.

[Women and Society: An Internet Reference Project](http://www.womenandsociety.buffalo.edu/)

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Consists of five parts: a "Webliography" (guide to online resources); a Bibliography of books, journal articles, theses and chapters in anthologies; a "Filmography"; a Dictionary; and, an online journal *The Review of Women and Society* (under construction).

[Voice of the Shuttle: Gender and Sexuality Studies](http://vos.ucsb.edu/)

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A portal for resources in women's studies, including Feminist theory.

[Yahoo's Directory Listing for Women's Studies](http://dir.yahoo.com/Social_Science/Women_s_Studies/)

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An online catalog of sites concerned with Women's Studies on the World Wide Web. Sites are evaluated and organized into subject-based categories and sub-categories, such as commercial vs. non-commercial, regional vs. global, etc.

[Catherine S. Eberly Center for Women](http://womenscenter.utoledo.edu/)

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An online introduction to the people, resources, and events available especially for women as part of the campus community.

[Wellesley Centers for Women \(WCW\)](http://www.wcwoonline.org/index.html)

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The WCW unites the Center for Research on Women and the Stone Center for Developmental Services and Studies in an interdisciplinary community of scholars engaged in research, training, analysis and action.

[University of Maryland-Baltimore County Women's Studies Online Resources](http://userpages.umbc.edu/~korenman/wmst/)

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Women's Studies Online Resources will help you find information-rich, high-quality web sites focusing on women's studies or women's issues; women- or gender-related e-mail lists; women's studies files from the [WMST-L File Collection](#); links to women's studies programs around the world and to the [Center for Women and Information Technology](#); financial aid for women; updates to Internet Resources on Women; and more.

[Women's Studies: A Guide to the Collections of The New York Public Library](http://www.nypl.org/research/chss/grd/resguides/women/)

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This collection contains retrospective holdings, and manuscript and archival material relating to women, feminist theory and scholarship.