

History & Geography

Information Access Policy

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- I. Purpose: To provide guidelines for the management of information resources in support of the undergraduate and graduate curricula in history and geography. It is the Libraries' stated mission to identify, acquire, preserve, organize, and disseminate information from a variety of sources and locations with priority being given to supporting the undergraduate and graduate curricula. This department is part of the College of Architecture, Arts, and Humanities. Its website is:
<https://www.clemson.edu/caah/departments/history/>

Department of history and geography offers programs leading to a Bachelor of Arts as well as minors in history and geography and an interdisciplinary minor in Pan African studies. As of the fall semester of 2022, the history department will offer a Ph.D. in Digital History.

The master of arts program offers courses in all areas of historical study. Emphasis is placed on the history of the United States, particularly the South; Britain, Europe, Russia, Latin America, Asia, and Africa; and on the history of classical and medieval civilization, science and technology, documentary editing, and archival management.

The M.A. In history has two objectives that aim to prepare students for history-related careers in teaching or government service, law, historical editing, archival management, and business: 1) to increase the students knowledge of the areas of history in which he/she wishes to specialize; and 2) to provide the student skills for performing historical research, analyzing the sources and information gathered, and writing results in an acceptable scholarly essay or thesis.

The Ph.D. in Digital History is designed to “prepare students for a variety of careers through its combination of critical humanistic inquiry, computational training and a required practicum experience” ([Digital History Ph.D. Program Website](#)). Students will be required to defend a dissertation based on the use of digital methods.

- A. Primary users:
 - a. Undergraduate History and Geography majors:
114 students enrolled in fall 2021
 - b. Masters students: 19 students enrolled in fall 2021
 - c. Doctoral students: 5 students enrolled as of Fall 2021
 - d. Faculty: 29, fall 2021

- B. Secondary Users

- a. Undergraduates choosing minors in: East Asian Studies, Geography, Great Works, History, Legal Studies, Pan African Studies, Russian Area Studies, Spanish-American Area Studies, and Women's Studies among others; students majoring in Early Childhood, Elementary, and especially Secondary Education teaching areas such as Social Studies (Economics, History, Political Science Psychology and Sociology)
- b. Other students fulfilling the University's Social Sciences, Cross-Cultural Awareness, or Science and Technology in Society general education requirements
- c. University and community patrons seeking background on a wide range of historical topics

II. Diversity Statement

The responsibility of the liaison for the History and Geography departments is to provide access to collections that support the research of students and faculty in these areas.

The following guidelines will be followed to ensure the provision of an inclusive and representative collection by:

- a. Providing an open system to accept requests to purchase representative materials
- b. Ensuring that consideration of the needs of historically underrepresented, oppressed, and underserved groups are taken into account
- c. Consult constituents as needed to ensure the acquisition process reflects these goals
- d. Ensuring that materials should not be excluded from the collection because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.
- e. Containing content by and about a wide array of people and cultures to authentically reflect a variety of ideas, information, stories, and experiences
- f. Selecting content in multiple formats
- g. Seeking content created by and representative of marginalized and underrepresented groups
- h. Not permitting the selectors' personal biases, opinions, or preferences to unduly influence collection development decisions

Based on [Diverse Collections: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights](#)

III. Scope of In-House collection

A. Format guidelines

- a. Print sources: books/monographs will be acquired either online or in print; only those periodicals not available online will be purchased in print
- b. Electronic resources: online journal subscriptions preferred; electronic books will be purchased by request; databases purchased for reference; full text primary source collections, online newspaper archives.

- c. Media: films, documentaries, etc., in streaming format if financially feasible or other formats appropriate to users viewing capabilities
 - d. Microform sources: where electronic versions of certain primary sources are not available or are prohibitively expensive, microfilm may be acquired
- B. Language guidelines

Generally, materials written in English will be preferred. Exceptions may be made for essential source materials in other languages.
- C. Geographical guidelines
 - a. Primary focus is on the history of the United States, particularly the southeastern states and South Carolina, and on areas relating to the African diaspora in the Western Hemisphere.
 - b. The history of Western Europe, including the ancient and medieval periods, will receive broad support
 - c. Special topics on the United Kingdom, Russia, the Middle East, East Asia, Latin America, and Africa will form the bases for limited collections.
- D. Chronological guidelines

Works on any era may be purchased.
- E. Publication date guidelines

Books published within the last 3 years will be selected routinely. Funds permitting, older titles may be purchased to ensure that the collection contains essential works.
- F. Special types of materials included:
 - Article/Indexing Databases
 - academic search Premier
 - Arts and Humanities citation index
 - America: history and life
 - historical abstract
 - Humanities and social sciences index retrospective
 - IterL gateway to the Middle Ages and Renaissance
 - JSTOR
 - 19th century Master file
 - reader's guide retrospective
 - world cats
 - primary source full-text databases
 - African American newspapers (19th century, Part I)
 - ancestry Library
 - Civil War: the newspaper perspective
 - dissertations and Theses full text
 - HarpWeek
 - HeinOnline
 - New York Times historical
 - Sanborn maps for South Carolina
 - Times (London) digital archive

Wall Street Journal historical
Washington Post historical

Overview databases

biography in context
daily life through history
historical statistics of the United States
Oxford African American studies Center
u.s. history in context
world history in context

important printed indexes, encyclopedias, biographical sources, Etc:

G. Types of Materials Excluded

Textbooks: Books assigned as required texts for Clemson University classes will purchased if requested by teaching faculty who wish to place the book on reserve for class use. Other textbooks may be acquired when they support the curriculum.

H. List of Core Journals/Magazines/Electronic Journals (current subscriptions only):

History

American Heritage	Journal of Hellenic Studies
American Historical Review	Journal of Interdisciplinary History
American History	Journal of Imperial & Commonwealth History
Catholic Historical Review	Journal of Medieval & Early Modern Studies
Church History	Journal of the Southwest
Civil War History	Journal of Urban History
Civil War Times Illustrated	Journal of Victorian Culture
Classical Journal	Journal of Women's History
Comparative Studies in Society & History	Journal of World History
Contemporary European History	Journal of Medieval History
Diplomatic History	Journal of Modern African Studies
Economic History Review Eighteenth Century	Journal of Modern History
Life English Historical Review French	Journal of Near Eastern Studies
Historical Studies French History	Journal of Roman Studies
Gender & History	Journal of Social History
Georgia Historical Quarterly	Journal of Southern African Studies
Greece & Rome	Journal of Southern History
Hesperia	Journal of the Early Republic
Hispanic American Historical Review	Journal of the History of Ideas
Historia: Zeitschrift fur Alte Geschichte	Louisiana History
Historian	New England Quarterly

Historical Journal Historical Methods History (Historical Assn.) History & Theory History Teacher History Today Irish Historical Studies Isis Journal of African American History Journal of African History Journal of American Ethnic History Journal of American History Journal of British Studies Journal of Contemporary History Journal of Economic History Journal of Egyptian Archaeology	Oral History Review Past & Present Renaissance Quarterly Reviews in American History Scottish Historical Review Sixteenth Century Journal Social History Southwestern Historical Quarterly Speculum Victorian Studies Virginia Magazine of History & Biography Western Historical Quarterly William & Mary Quarterly
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Geography

American Geographical Society's Focus on Geography Canadian Geographer Economic Geography Geoforum Geographical: the Royal Geographical Society Magazine Geographical Analysis Geographical Education Geographical Journal	Geographical Research Geographical Review Geography Journal of Geography Journal of Historical Geography National Geographic Political Geography Professional Geographer Progress in Human Geography Southeastern Geographer Transactions / Institute of British Geographers
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III. Courses of instruction:

History

For a complete and updated list of courses offered as HIST courses, go to the undergraduate and graduate catalogs: <https://catalog.clemson.edu/>

Geography

For a complete and updated list of courses offered as GEOG courses, go to the undergraduate and graduate catalogs: <https://catalog.clemson.edu/>

IV. Call Numbers & Primary Subject Classifications

Call Number Range	Description	Call Number Range	Description
C CB	Auxiliary Sciences of History History of Civilization	E	America
CC	Archaeology	E99	Indian Tribes & Cultures of the Southeast
CD	Diplomatics. Archives. Seals	E151-889	United States
CE	Technical Chronology. Calendar.	E184.5-185.98	African Americans
CJ	Numismatics	E337.5-440.5	19th Century
CN	Inscriptions	E441-453	Slavery in U.S.
CR	Heraldry	E456-655	Civil War Period
CS	Genealogy	E482-489	Confederacy
CT	Biography	E666-680	Reconstruction
D	History (General)	F	Americas
D501-680	World War I	F1-975	U.S. Local History
D 731-838	World War II	F266-280	South Carolina
DA	Great Britain	F206-220	The South/South Atlantic States
DAW	Central Europe	F1001-1145.2	Canada
DB	Austria, etc.	F1201-1392	Mexico
DC	France, etc.	F1421-1440	Central America
DD	Germany	F1601-1629	West Indies

DE	Greco-Roman World	F2201-3799	South America
DF	Greece	G	Geography
DG	Italy, etc.	G1-922	Geography (General)
DH	Low countries	G149-570	Voyages & Travels
DJ	Netherlands	G575-890	Polar Regions
DJK	Eastern Europe	G1000-3122	Atlases
DK	Russia	GF	Human Ecology
DL	Scandinavia	GT	Manners & Customs
DP	Spain, Portugal	K	Law
DQ	Switzerland	KB	Law of ancient world
DR	Balkans	KQ	History of law
DS	Asia		
DS35-399	Islamic World, Middle East		
DS520-559	Southeast Asia, Vietnamese Conflict		
DS701-779	China		
DS801-891	Japan		
DS901-921	Korea, Korean War		
DT	Africa		
DT43-154	Egypt		
DT160-177	North Africa		
DU	Oceania, Australia		
DX	Romanies		

V. Access to Information Not On-Site

A. Borrowing from other libraries:

- PASCAL Delivers – service from libraries within South Carolina; limited to books/media
- Interlibrary Loan via the ILLIAD system – service worldwide in unlimited formats, including books, media, articles, microforms, etc.

These services are free to Clemson University students, faculty, and staff.

B. Digital Collections from authoritative sources via the free Internet: tens of thousands now available with more added every year; many include rare & important primary sources

VI. Selection Tools

A. Faculty Requests & Recommendations

B. Yankee Book Peddler's quarterly "Core" collections lists; Choice annual "Outstanding Academic Titles" list;

Magazines for Libraries recommended titles

C. Reviewing Sources

New York Times "Notable Books"; the Chronicle of Higher Education; librarians' lists from American Libraries, Library Journal, etc. Winners of prizes such as the Pulitzer, Bancroft, etc. Powell's Books online newsletters; Book-of-the-Month history selections

D. Publishers' Information

Web catalogs of major publishers (academic presses & selected trade publishers)

Other online sources for publisher information: Amazon.com; BarnesandNoble.com; Alibris.com

E. Weeding (Discarding)/Storage Guidelines

- Weed all bound volumes of canceled or ceased journals where we have holdings of fewer than 5 years and where there has been no use since 1989.
- If holdings are duplicated electronically in stable digital form (e.g., JSTOR), bound volumes will be weeded. Some long runs of journals (for example, law reviews) may be stored even if not duplicated online.
- Books that are damaged, brittle or worn beyond repair will be discarded; replacements will be sought for high-use or classic items.
- Books more than 20 years old that have never circulated and are readily available from other libraries.
- Storage of any book more than 30 years old will be considered based on circulation data

- Duplicates: If more than two copies of a book, weed additional copies unless circulation is high.

None of the above applies to books relating to South Carolina history. Within reason, nothing will be discarded unless worn or damaged beyond repair; duplicate copies will be stored.

If rare materials are discovered, they will be moved to Special Collections (or stored, depending upon space concerns).

VII. Evaluation Tools

A. Faculty Teaching and Research Interests (book titles included, articles available on department website):

History:

- Rod Andrew, Jr. – Research Interests: American South, U.S. Military.
 - Author of:
 - The Life and Times of General Andrew Pickens: Revolutionary War Hero, American Founder. University of North Carolina Press, 2017;
 - The First Fight: U.S. Marines in Operation Starlite, August 1965. U.S. Marine Corps History Division, 2015;
 - U.S. Marines in Battle: An Nasiriyah, 23 March-2 April 2003 (Marine Corps University Press, 2009);
 - Wade Hampton: Confederate Warrior to Southern Redeemer (2008);
 - Long Gray Lines: The Southern Military School Tradition, 1839-1915 (2001).
- Andrew Baker – Research Interests: Twentieth Century United States, American South, Politics.
- Stephanie L. Barczewski – Research Interests: Modern Britain.
 - Author of:
 - Country Houses and the British Empire, 1700-1930 (Manchester University Press, Studies in Imperialism Series, 2014);
 - Britain since 1688: A Nation in the World (Routledge, 2014);
 - Antarctic Destinies: Scott, Shackleton and the Changing Face of Heroism (Continuum, 2007);
 - Titanic: A Night Remembered (Palgrave Macmillan, (2004);
 - Myth and National Identity in Nineteenth-Century Britain : The Legends of King Arthur and Robin Hood (Oxford, 2000).
- Abel A. Bartley – Research Interests: African-American history, urban, civil rights, history of sports.
 - Author of:

- Akron (Black America Series: Ohio, 2004);
 - Keeping the Faith: Race, Politics, and Social Development in Jacksonville, Florida, 1940- 1970 (2000).
- Amit Bein (department chair)– Research Interests: Modern Turkey.
 - Author of:
 - Kemalist Turkey and the Middle East: International Relations in the Interwar Period (Cambridge University Press, 2017);
 - Ottoman Ulema, Turkish Republic: Agents of Change and Guardians of Tradition (Stanford University Press, 2011)
- James M. Burns – Research Interests: Africa, British Empire, history of cinema.
 - Author of:
 - Historical Problems of Imperial Africa (3rd Edition, 2013).
 - Co-editor; Cinema and Society in the British Empire, 1895-1940 Palgrave/ Macmillan (2013) ;
 - A History of Sub- Saharan Africa (with Robert O. Collins, 2007);
 - Flickering Shadows: Cinema and Identity in Colonial Zimbabwe (Ohio University Press, 2002)
- Vernon Burton – Research Interests: American history, southern history.
 - Author of:
 - The Age of Lincoln (2007);
 - In My Father’s House Are Many Mansions: Family and Community in Edgefield, South Carolina (1985)
 - 14 other books and scores of articles
- Josh Catalano – Research Interests digital and public history.
 - Author of:
 - “What’s on History?: Tuning into Conspiracies, Capitalism, and Masculinity, Current Research in Digital History, no. 3 (2020). (Co-authored with Briana Pocratsky);
 - “Blue Jacket, Anthony Wayne, and the Psychological and Symbolic War for Ohio, 1790-1795,” Ohio History 126, no. 1 (2019): 5-34.;
 - “Digitally Analyzing the Uneven Ground: Language Borrowing Among Indian Treaties,” Current Research in Digital History 1 (2018).;
 - “President William T. Jerome III: Why Bowling Green State University Remained Open after the Kent State Shootings,” Ohio History 123, no. 1 (2016): 51-72.
- Sara Collini – Research Interests: slavery, early America, women’s history, digital history.
 - Author of:
 - "The Labors of Enslaved Midwives in Revolutionary Virginia." In Women in the American Revolution: Gender, Politics, and the Domestic World, edited by Barbara Oberg, 19-38. Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2019.
- Caroline Dunn – Research Interests: Medieval Europe, particularly women's roles and social networks.

- Author of:
 - Stolen Women in Medieval England: Rape, Abduction, and Adultery c. 1100-1500. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2012.
 - "Contracting Marriage in York and Paris." In Medieval Towns: A Reader. Edited by Maryanne Kowaleski, 187-90 (Peterborough, Ont.: Broadview Press, 2006).
- H. Roger Grant Research Interests: American history, railroad history.
 - Author of:
 - Twilight Rails: The Final Era of Railroad Building in the Midwest (2010);
 - Visionary Railroader: Jervis Langdon Jr. and the Transportation Revolution (2008);
 - Rails Through the Wiregrass: A History of the Georgia and Florida Railroad (2006);
 - The Railroad: The Life Story of a Technology (2005);
 - Follow the Flag: A History of the Wabash Railroad Company (2004);
 - Getting Around: Exploring Transportation History (2003);
 - and many others.
- Stephanie Hassell – Research Interests: Slavery, Indian Ocean World.
 - Author of:
 - "Inquisition Records from Goa as Sources for the Study of Slavery in the Eastern Domains of the Portuguese Empire," History in Africa, 42 (2015), 397-418.
- Ryan Hilliard – Research Interests: Early Modern Europe, History of Women, Gender, and Sexuality
- James B. Jeffries – Research Interests: Native American history.
 - Author of:
 - Religious Borderlands: French and Native American Spiritual Crossroads in Seventeenth-Century New France (book manuscript in preparation);
 - "Denying Religion: Native Americans and French Missionaries in Early New France." In Indigenous Symbols and Practices in the Catholic Church: Visual Culture, Missionization, and Appropriation, edited by Kate J. Martin (Ashgate Press, 2010)
- Kathryn Lagenfeld – Research Interests: Ancient Rome, Ancient Mediterranean
- Pamela E. Mack – Research Interests: History of science.
 - Author of:
 - "What Difference Has Feminism Made to Engineering in the Twentieth Century." In Science, Medicine and Technology: The Difference Feminism Has Made, edited by Angela N. H. Creager, Elizabeth Lunbeck, and Londa Schiebinger (University of Chicago Press, 2001).
- Michael Meng – Research Interests: Modern Germany.
 - Author of:
 - Modern Germany in Transatlantic Perspective. Berghahn Books, 2017;

- co-edited with Adam Seipp; *Jewish Space in Contemporary Poland*. Indiana University Press, 2015;
 - co-edited with Erica Lehrer. *Shattered Spaces: Encountering Jewish Ruins in Postwar Germany and Poland* (Harvard, forthcoming late 2011);
 - "Did Poles Collaborate or Resist the Nazis? Problems with Narrating the Holocaust in Poland," in Jonathan Petropoulos, Lynn Raaport, and John K. Roth, eds., *Memory, History, and Responsibility: Reassessments of the Holocaust, Implications for the Future* (Northwestern, 2010);
 - "The Politics of Antifascism: Historic Preservation, Jewish Sites, and the Rebuilding of Potsdam's Altstadt," in Gavriel Rosenfeld and Paul Jaskot, eds., *Beyond Berlin: German Cities Confront the Nazi Past* (Michigan, 2008).
- Edwin E. Moise – Research Interests: the Vietnam War, modern China, modern Vietnam, modern military history.
 - Author of:
 - *Historical Dictionary of the Vietnam War* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2001);
 - *Tonkin Gulf and the Escalation of the Vietnam War* (North Carolina, 1996);
 - *Modern China: A History* (Longman, 1986, 1994);
 - and others
- Rachel A. Moore – Research Interests: Latin America.
 - Author of :
 - *Transient Loyalties: the Atlantic World and the Public Sphere in nineteenth-century Veracruz* (in revisions with University of Arizona Press)
- Amanda Regan – Research Interests: women's history, twentieth century
- Douglas Seefeldt – Research Interests: history and memory in the American West.
 - Author of:
 - "Buffalo Bill's Wild West," in *America in the World, 1776 to the Present, A Supplement to the Dictionary of American History, 1st Edition*. Edited by Edward J. Blum, Cara Burnidge, Emily Conroy-Krutz, David Kinkela. (Farmington Hills, MI: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2016), 160-64.;
 - "Cartographic Representations of the American West on the Eve of the Mormon Exodus," in *Far Away in the West: The Mormon Exodus of 1846-1847*, Edited by Scott C. Esplin, Richard E. Bennett, Susan Easton Black and Craig K. Manscill. Religious Studies Center. (Provo, UT: Brigham Young University Press, 2015), 1-21.;
 - "A National Monument," co-author with Jason Heppler, in *A Companion to Custer and the Little Big Horn Campaign*, Edited by Brad D. Lookingbill. (Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell, 2015), 462-84.;
 - "A Call to Redefine Historical Scholarship in the Digital Turn," Co-Author, with Alex Galarza and Jason Heppler, *Journal of Digital Humanities* Vol. 1, No. 4 (Fall 2012): 31-34.;

- “What is Digital History? A Look at Some Exemplar Projects,” with William G. Thomas, III. *Perspectives on History* Newsmagazine of the American Historical Association, 47, no. 5 (May 2009): 40-43.;
 - “Constructing Comanche Pasts: Landscape, Memory and the Cuerno Verde Rest Area,” *New Mexico Historical Review*, 81, no. 1 (winter 2006): 68-95.;
 - “Creating Kearny: Forging a Historical Identity for a Central Arizona Mining Community,” *Journal of Arizona History*, 46, no. 1 (spring 2005): 1-32.;
 - “Oñate’s Foot: Histories, Landscapes and Contested Memories in the Southwest,” Chapter 5 in *Across the Continent: Jefferson, Lewis and Clark and the Making of America*, Douglas Seefeldt, Jeffrey L. Hantman, and Peter S. Onuf, eds. (Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press, 2005, paper, 2006), 169-209.
- Rebecca Shimoni Stoil – Research Interests: Twentieth Century United States.
- Michael S. Silvestri – Research Interests: British Empire, Ireland.
 - Author of:
 - *Britain Since 1688: A Nation in the World* (Routledge, 2014);
 - *Ireland and India: Nationalism, Empire and Memory* (2009);
 - “‘The White God of the Hindus’: John Nicholson as a British and Irish Imperial Hero,” in Robert Blythe and Keith Jeffery, eds., *The British Empire and Its Contested Pasts* (Dublin and Portland, OR: Irish Academic Press), pp.196-216;
 - “‘315 Million of India with Ireland to the Last’: Irish and Indian Nationalists in North America,” in Tadhg Foley and Maureen O’Connor, eds., *Ireland and India: Colonies, Culture, Empire* (2006), pp. 244-55;
- Lee Wilson – Research Interests: Legal History, Colonial America
- Tara Wood – Research Interests: England, witchcraft, heresy, medieval Europe, women’s history.
 - Author of: “Anne Askew” and “Diana Primrose” encyclopedia entries in *Encyclopedia of Women in the Renaissance*. ABC-CLIO, Inc. 2006.; “Funeral Orations and Sermons” encyclopedia entry, co-authored with Retha Warnicke, *The Encyclopedia of Death and Dying*. Macmillan Reference USA, 2003.

Geography:

- Christa A. Smith – Research Interests: Geography of the South.
 - Author of:
 - “Predicting Success or Failure on Main Street: Urban Revitalization and the Kentucky Main Street Program, 1979-1999.” *Southeastern Geographer*, November 2002.
- William Terry – Research Interests: Economic Geography, especially Labor Migration in Tourism Industries

VIII. Collection Assessment and Planning

A. Qualitative Measures

1. Bibliographies such as Magazines for Libraries

Benchmarking projects. Institutions offering similar programs are: most universities in the United States offer the BA, MA in History and Ph.D. in Digital History.

B. Quantitative Measures

1. Interlibrary Loan activity

Use of this service by the Department of History, by fiscal year: 2008/09: 714 books & other loan items, 122 articles 2009/10: 720 books & other loan items, 185 articles 2010/11: 452 books & other loan items, 111 articles

2014/2015: 847 books & other loan items, 199 articles

2015/2016: 807 books & other loan items, 942 articles

2016/2017: 1020 books & other loan items, 212 articles

2. Circulation statistics

Creating reports on circulation data by call number is possible within the Millennium system, but the most useful method of presenting those data is yet to be determined.