History 112: Canada to 1867

History Research Skills & Library Resources

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Getting Started!

- Defining your topic, approach
- Identifying keywords

Similar terms, related terms, broader & narrower terms:
- first nations / aboriginal / indians / natives native peoples
- Tribal names e.g. iroquois, blackfoot
- Europeans / whites / french colonists / settlers settlement
- search tip: settle*
- Contact / interaction conflict / warfare

Locations e.g. Canada
- upper canada, lower canada, british columbia, other provinces
- western canada / west coast, pacific coast / frontier
- okanagan

Time frames e.g. history to 1867 / pre-confederation 1775-1783

Popularised / Common usage phrases, academic usage:
- american revolution / united states revolution, 1775-1783

Next step! Library Website
www.okanagan.bc.ca/library
Searching Library Voyager Catalogue

OC Webpage

Library Catalogue

Library Webpage

Searching Library Voyager Catalogue

Keyword Relevance Search
Searching Library Voyager Catalogue

Subject Browse search
Searching Library Voyager Catalogue

Searching UBCO Library Catalogue

Choose Okanagan as location

OC Library page

UBC Okanagan Library

Look for main Catalogue link
Special Reference Resources ...

Library Webpage - Research - Online Reference Sources

Canadian Encyclopedia [online]
Dictionary of Canadian Biography [online]
Encyclopedia of British Columbia [online]
Oxford English Dictionary [online]

On Reference Shelves in Library:

Encyclopedia of Canada’s Peoples  [Ref FC 104 .E56 1999]

A Pocket Guide to Writing in History  Ref D 13 .R295
(Rampolla)  [also Circulating]
Find Articles

Back to Library Website!

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Click Find Articles link
Select Humanities Online Resources

- America: History and Life and Historical Abstracts
- CPI-Q Canadian Periodical Index
- CBCA Full-Text Reference
- Canadian Reference Centre
- Canada’s Heritage from 1844
- Okanagan History Index
- Academic Search Premier
- Humanities Index
- JSTOR

I try out all those keywords, try different combinations
I watch for full-text[PDF] and Where can I get this ..?
Find Articles
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A Demographic and Social Profile of Quebec City’s Irish Populations, 1842–1861

Robert A. Grant

In the first half of the nineteenth century, the port of Quebec handled over two-thirds of all European immigration to the British Empire. Irish immigration increased steadily during the 1850s, and the Irish, as the largest group for much of the 1850s, made their way across the Atlantic to Quebec shores, after disembarking, many continued on to points further west or south while some remained in the city. The proportion of Catholics increased to become the most important in the first three decades of the century. While the movement of Catholics, generally described in the 1850s and 1860s in the heft of immigration of the 1820s, 1830s, and 1840s, was a result of the expanding trade of Upper Canada (Ontario), while many of the Protestant Catholic immigrants found work on the canals in the north, the Irish in the cities of the two Canadas. By mid-century, significant Irish settlements could be found in the Maritimes, Quebec City, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Kingston, and other Ontario and Quebec cities. While many of these areas of Irish settlement, Quebec City stands alone as the only one with a city-based Catholic population that remained a minority of the city’s citizens. The Catholic majority in Quebec...
Find Articles

Example 2:

Where Can I Get This?
- Database: PsycINFO
- Title: The Effect of Music on Performance... (55 examples)
- Check other online databases and contact the library for further assistance.

Next additional help:
- Library website
- Librarian

Find Articles
Internet Sites

- reputable Canadian national (library/museum/historical association) sites

Online Resources for Canadian Heritage (Canadian Museum of Civilization)
http://www.civilization.ca/orch/www00_e.html search under History pages

http://www.civilization.ca/academ/academe.html search under Quick Links: Scholars

Canadian History Portal (Canadian Historical Association)
http://www.cha-shc.ca/ use search with simple terms, phrases

Early Canadiana Online (Library & Archives Canada)
www.canadiana.org/ECO many resources so use more terms & specific terms

Search tips! Search in quotations for phrases “irish canadians”
+ Canada + history

Acknowledge & Cite!

Keep Records of your Sources … References

Books & chapters in books:
Authors, book & chapter Titles,
Publishers/Producers, Place & Date of Publication …

Journal Articles:
Article authors, titles; Journal/newspaper/magazine Titles
Volume, Issue & Page numbers …

When sourced in online journals or library databases or websites or webpages

add:
Library Database/Online Journal/Webpage names & urls
Retrieval dates
University of Chicago Style

Quotations

• When to quote?
  1. To discuss actual wording of a passage eg Gettysburg Address
  2. When original writer’s statement of an idea is memorable

Tips! Do not quote if you can paraphrase into your own words, footnoting the source.
  Do not quote, if is widely known factual information

• How to quote?
  1. Put “statement” in quotation marks
  2. Format as block quotation
     (use only if very necessary - more than 60 words or 5 lines
     instead of quotation marks, use left/right indent and single space it
     words & phrases can be omitted use … or at end of passage ...
     use [ ] for editorial comment

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Sample Footnoting

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For auto footnoting, creates superscript for quote number in text & continuous numbered sequence for footnotes, single spaced

For footnotes, single spaced

In Microsoft Word, look for Insert > Footnote

Quotations in text

Block Quotation

Indent and Spacing > Indentation

In Microsoft Word, look for Format > Paragraph > Indents and Spacing > Indentation > Special > First Line
University of Chicago Style

Footnoting a few of the rules

- Number notes consecutively throughout your paper; Number in superscript
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- Titles in italics
- First line of each note indented. Subsequent lines are not.
- Use Ibid if same source is cited on same page of your paper consecutively. Add page number if different to preceding entry
- If a source is cited more than once, but with an intervening citation, use a shortened reference - author’s last name, abbreviated title & page number
- Sources in footnotes must appear in Bibliography

Bibliography some different rules!

- Begins on separate page at end of paper
- Entries alphabetical by author’s last name (otherwise title)
- First author listed last-name first
- Main work title in italics; “chapter title” or “article title” in quotation marks
- First line of each entry begins at left margin. Subsequent lines are indented
- When author appears more than once, use ditto sign hyphens spaced & followed by period... .

See next slide for sample Bibliography

Sample Bibliography

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In Microsoft Word, look for Format > Paragraph > Indent and Spacing > Indentation > Special > Hanging
Styles for History Writing

Style Guides

By Subject area - History

Need help?

Come to Library Reference Desk
Librarians - Michelle Ward, Shannon Dineen, Frances Phillips

Ask Us / AskAway (email/chat reference help) from library webpage