

Research Guide to:

Current Issues

Call numbers: 300s Social Sciences, 310s General Statistics, 360s Social Problems and Services, 900s World History/Chronologies, 973s U.S. History, 973.9s U.S. History – 20th Century

Subject headings/keywords: History, Modern – 20th Century (or 21st Century); United States – History – 20th Century (or 21st Century); "Title" search using any of the Print Series Titles listed below; ask at the Reference Desk for subject headings & keywords for your specific topic

For further assistance: Please consult the staff at the Reference Desk or call 816-604-2268

Library home page: <http://library.mcckc.edu>

Begin Search

- Create search question
- Identify keywords from search question
- Combine keywords or concepts with Boolean

operators (and, or, not) for use in the appropriate databases

Consult the [Library of Congress Subject Headings](#) (red books located at the Reference Desk.) Look up subject to determine any additional topics needed for search.

Reference Books

21st Century Sociology: A Reference Handbook
Ref 301 T918

The 21st Century
Ref 303.49 T918c

Greenwood Guide to American Popular Culture
Ref 306.0973 G856

Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2010
Ref 317.3 U58s 2010

Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia
Ref 361.973 So13

Encyclopedia of Science, Technology, and Ethics
Ref 503 En19

Facts About the 20th Century
Ref 909.82 Oc3f

American Decades: Primary Sources
Ref 973.9 Am3dp

Print Series Titles

Contemporary Issues [Companion]

Contemporary Legal Issues

Opposing Viewpoints

At Issue

Current Controversies

Electronic Sources

Pro/Con Online Databases:

CQ Researcher

Issues and Controversies (Facts on File)

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center
(Thomson-Gale)

Newspaper Databases:

InfoTrac Newsstand

NewsBank

Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe

Other Online Databases:

Sociological Collection (EBSCO)

Popular Magazines (InfoTrac)

US History Collection (InfoTrac)

World History Collection (InfoTrac)

Academic OneFile (InfoTrac)

ProQuest Research Library

Internet Resources:

Consult recommended [Web Links](#) on the Longview Library home page. Scroll down to [Hot Topics](#) or [Global Issues](#). You can also find other links by using [Multiple Subject Sites](#) and searching for the topic of your choice.

Suggested Web Sites:

Pros and Cons of Controversial Issues

<http://www.procon.org>

First Amendment Topics

<http://www.firstamendmentcenter.org/>

ProQuest Discovery Guides

<http://www.csa.com/discoveryguides/discoveryguides-all.php>

Jurist Hot Topics

<http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/>



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