2008 ELECTION WEB RESEARCH GUIDE

Links to electronic resources covering all aspects of the 2008 campaign:

I. General sources - candidates, issues. The following resources provide comprehensive coverage of the candidates, including text of speeches, views on issues, voting records, details of primaries, number of delegates, campaign financial information, and links to relevant sites.

» The University of Michigan Documents Center: Elections 2008
» ProCon.org
» Project Vote Smart
» New York Times Politics
» Project Vote Smart - The Issues
» NPR.org Election 2008

II. Alternative views, the money trail, polls. Find information on campaign contributors, amount contributed, non-mainstream views of the election, current and past polls, and a view from abroad.

» Open Secrets
» Slate.com
» Pollster.com
» BBC News

III. Specific issues: higher education, campaign finance, foreign policy. Follow these links for reports and commentary on campaign issues.

» Campaign U.
» Federal Election Commission
» Council on Foreign Relations - Campaign 2008
» Foreign Policy Guide to Election 2008

IV. Past and Present Election Data. These resources provide statistics and detailed information on present and past elections and voter demographics.

» American National Election Studies (ANES)
» U.S. Census Bureau: Voting and Registration
» CQ Politics 2008 Primary Guide
» CQ Politics

V. Voting: Fact Checking and Where and When to Vote. Use these sites for consumer information on polling places and dates, accuracy in news and media reports.

» Vote411
» FactCheck
VI. The Parties. Find information on party platforms and policies.

» The Democratic Party
» The Republican Party
» The Green Party
» The Libertarian Party