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PHILOSOPHY 108 – PHILOSOPHY OF THE AMERICAS

Your search for information on the **Philosophy of the Americas** can include books, periodicals, online databases, and authoritative Internet resources.

Books

Use the [Library Catalog](#) located on the Cerritos College [Library Home Page](#) to find books on your topic that are available in the Cerritos College Library. Books can provide a broad overview of a topic or in-depth information. You can search for books by *Author, Title, Subject, or Keyword*.

Listed below are some *Library of Congress Subject Headings* used in the catalog for books relating to **Philosophy of the Americas**. Use these terms to *Search by Subject*. Remember, this list is by no means conclusive.

African American Philosophy

Existentialism

Ethics

Indian Philosophy

Navajo Philosophy

Metaphysics

Philosophy

Philosophy - History

Philosophy – Latin America

Philosophy - United States

Pragmatism

Transcendentalism

Selected Reference Books

Reference books are a good starting point for your research because they help you become better acquainted with your topic. Listed below are some reference books that may be useful in your research.

Encyclopedia of Philosophy

REF B51 .E53 2006

Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy

REF B51 .R68 1998

History of Philosophy

REF B72 .H567 1993

Dictionary of Existentialism

REF B819 .D455 1999

Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy. 2nd ed.

REF B41 .C35

American Philosophers Before 1950

REF B851 .A43 2003

American Philosophers, 1950-2000

REF B935 .A45 2003

Encyclopedia of Transcendentalism

REF PS217.T7 E53 1996

Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics

REF BJ63 .E44 1998

Oxford Dictionary of Philosophy

REF B41 .B53 1994

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Finding Magazine, Journal, and Newspaper Articles

Journal and magazines usually provide the most current information on a topic. Journal articles are more scholarly or professional while magazine articles tend to be shorter and more general. Newspaper articles, while not usually scholarly or professional, can give you the most current news and some additional facts on your topic.

To find articles on your topic, use one of the online databases listed below. These databases usually provide full-text articles on almost every topic. They are available via the [Library Home Page](#). Conduct your search in these databases by using subject headings and keywords similar to those you used to locate books.

Online Databases for Topic:

African American Experience
EBSCOhost
Ethnic News Watch
Proquest Newspapers
Gale Databases

Gender Watch
Latino American Experience
Project Muse
World Book Encyclopedia Complete Suite

For remote access to the library databases, login to the [Library](#) using your Cerritos College ID number.

See the [Database Page](#) or handout for a complete description of the Cerritos College Library online resources.

For historical research, the Library also has print indexes that must be used to find older articles, generally anything published before 1985.

Internet Sites

The Internet can be a valuable source for supplementing the information you have gathered from books and periodicals. It is important that you evaluate the information you get from the Internet to determine if it is reliable and useful to your research. A few Internet sites that may be useful are listed here.

Episteme Links: Philosophy Resources on the Internet

<http://www.epistemelinks.com/>

Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy

<http://www.iep.utm.edu/>

American Transcendentalism Web

<http://www.vcu.edu/engweb/transcendentalism/>

Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy

<http://plato.stanford.edu/>

Philpapers: Online Research in Philosophy

<http://philpapers.org/browse/philosophy-of-the-americas>