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## SOUTHERN LITERATURE

### Some well know southern authors:

James Agee  
Maya Angelou  
Truman Capote

Kate Chopin  
Ralph Ellison  
William Faulkner

Zora Neale Hurston  
Flannery O'Connor  
William Styron

Mark Twain  
Eudora Welty  
Tennessee Williams

### 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.

**The companion to southern literature : themes, genres, places, people, movements, and motifs**  
REF PS261 .C55 2002

**Encyclopedia of southern literature**  
REF PS261 .C55 2002

### 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*.

The easiest way to find the books we have on **Southern Literature** is to do **subject** search on:

**American literature – Southern States**  
**American fiction – Southern States**

To find criticism on a particular southern author, do a subject search on their name – last name first  
**ex: Faulkner, William** and look for the subheading **criticism and interpretation**

### Online Databases

Use these databases to look for articles on your topic. Articles cover a much more narrow topic than most books.

**EBSCOhost Literary Reference Center**

**Project Muse**