

## Library Instruction for Sociology Research Methods

### Reference Sources: for overviews, definitions, bibliographies, etc.

(Located in the Reference Collection on the Main Floor of the Sojourner Truth Library)  
You can search the articles and indices of Reference Books own by the Sojourner Truth Library electronically through the database, **Reference Universe**.

#### Some Sample Titles:

*The Sage Handbook of Sociology* [Reference HM 586 .S24 2005]

*Encyclopedia of the City* [Reference HT 108.5 .E63 2005]

*Encyclopedia of Social Theory* [Reference HM 425 .E47 2005]

*A Dictionary of Sociology* [Reference HM 425 .D5735 2005]

*Education and Sociology: An Encyclopedia* [Reference LC 189.95 .E38 2002]

*Mental Health in America: A Reference Handbook* [Reference RA 790.6 .K4644  
2007]

*Social Issues in America: An Encyclopedia* [Reference HN 57 .S624 2006]

*Encyclopedia of Homelessness* [HV 4493 .E53 2004]

*Education and Sociology: An Encyclopedia* [REF LC189.95 .E38 2002]

### Library Catalogs: For books

- Locate books in Sojourner Truth Library:
  - **Sojourner Truth Online Catalog**: for books at the Sojourner Truth Library
- Locate resources worldwide:
  - **WorldCat**: for searching for books to interlibrary loan

### Electronic Databases: For journals, magazines, or newspapers

(STL Library Homepage > Databases > Databases by Subject)

- Locate scholarly, peer-reviewed articles in the sciences:
  - **Sociological Abstracts**
  - **Social Services Abstracts**
  - **ScienceDirect**
  - **Academic Search Elite** (EBSCO)
  - **Sage Premier**
  - **Project Muse**
- Locate scholarly articles that specialized in Law:
  - **LexisNexis: Legal Research**

## Websites: For information from governmental sources

- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services** [<http://www.usgs.gov/>]:
  - **Homelessness** [<http://www.hhs.gov/homeless/>]
  - **Administration for Children and Families** [<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/>]
- **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development** [<http://www.hud.gov/>]
- **Childstats** [<http://www.childstats.gov/>]
- **U.S. Department of Labor** [<http://www.dol.gov/>]
- **GPO Government Documents** [<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/index.html>] to search all government agencies for information
- **First Gov** (<http://www.firstgov.gov/>) U.S. Government's official web portal, to browse for departments and agencies of the Federal government
- **National Archive of Criminal Justice Data** [<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/NACJD/index.html>]
- **NYS Agencies** [<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/ils/nysserver.html>]