



## Digital Resources for Research

[Communication in History: The Key to Understanding](#)

[NHD Student Resources- research and creating projects](#)

[Connecticut History Day Student Resources](#)- includes student projects, places to research and more!

### Other online research resources:

[Association for the Study of Connecticut History](#) - This organization publishes a scholarly journal, *The Connecticut History Review*. Past articles can be accessed and journal issues purchased.

[ResearchIT CT](#) - Connecticut's virtual library. Available 24/7. Enormous, searchable portal including subscription resources, curated collections for all school levels and all disciplines, resources for teachers, digitized Connecticut newspapers, access to ERIC and more.

[CT Archives Online](#) - various museums, libraries, and university collections participate in this portal showing what each has available as well as making some resources available online.

[Connecticut Historical Society](#) - CHS includes a museum and library; research resources; collections; and online exhibitions. Library currently open for research, but must make appointment.

**Connecticut's Old State House**- The home of Connecticut History Day! Check out past public programs (and potential topic ideas) on the OSH Youtube Channel. [OSH Youtube Channel](#)

[Connecticut State Library](#) -very large portal including a link to to researchIT CT, digital collections, images, digitized Connecticut newspapers, genealogy resources, town guides, Colonial records, census data, archives information, and more

[CT Explored](#) - The magazine of CT history. It is a great place to look for topics, past magazine issues and listen to a podcast on CT history.

[Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame](#) - large collection of information on Connecticut women. Educational resources include an interactive timeline, CT Women's Heritage Trail, CHD/NHD resources, etc.

[ConnecticutHistory.org](#) -ConnecticutHistory.org is a program of Connecticut Humanities. It is one of the best places to start your research. Articles link to primary sources and institutions!

[The Connecticut Network](#) - Connecticut's version of C-SPAN. Students can watch government hearings and meetings and view public programs from area museums.

[Gilder Lehrman Center](#) - information sorted by era; online exhibitions; primary sources available from their extensive collection; multimedia including video series. Specific resources for teachers. Subscriptions to the website are free for all K-12 teachers. If your school is not an affiliate, the free signup is [here](#)

[Hartford History Center](#) - Located at the Hartford Public Library, the HHC has great resources for exploring a CT topic. Open by appointment only.

[History Net](#) - large portal to resources from a number of history magazines - includes videos, thousands of articles from the magazines, galleries of image collections, a listing of available topics linking site sections, and a Today in History chronology. [N.B. not all images are appropriate for middle school]

[Library of Congress](#) - Millions of searchable items. Specific resources for teachers, including using primary sources. The Library of Congress has an RSS and Feeds signup - choose to receive various types of updates and email subscriptions - makes LoC more accessible.

[Museum of CT History](#) - (part of the Connecticut State Library) - resources, outreach programs, details on visiting (good partner visit with the State Capitol or the Old State House). Admission is free.

[New York Public Library Digital Collections](#) - Access to their massive collection of images, maps, video, historic photos, etc. Almost 900,000 items with more added every day. Searchable.

[Thomas J Dodd Research Center](#) - access to the special collections in the Dodd Archive as well as the UConn collections. The Center has online resources as well as a physical archive including both digital images of primary source materials as well as physical materials. Contact the staff to make arrangements for physical access as needed.

[Watkinson Library, Trinity College, Hartford](#) - **"The Watkinson Library** serves as a public research library, the rare book and special collections of the Trinity College Library, and the repository of the College archives. The Watkinson contains over 175,000 printed volumes ranging in date from the fifteenth century to the present; 4,000 linear feet of manuscript and archival material; 25,000 pieces of sheet music (1720-1950); over 5,000 sound recordings; and thousands of pieces of ephemera (postcards, greeting cards, trade cards, ballad sheets, prints, maps, playbills, posters, and broadsides)."

**Don't forget to check out your local public library! Many CT libraries are allowing for curbside pickup or have limited hours.**