



WELCOME

HISTORY DAY

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

This guide is available online at <http://wilson.lib.umn.edu/historyday/quicksteps.pdf>

If you're visiting without an appointment with the University of Minnesota History Day program assistant, you may find the Web page below helpful in your use of the Libraries.

Most Public Open Access computers are located in the first floor Reference Room (left side of table) and in the Basement. All public computers are labeled Open Access. These designated computers do not require a logon.

To access the online History Day Research Guide:

1. Click on the Home page (www.lib.umn.edu) at any public workstation
2. Click on **Services to Visitors**
3. Click on **History Day Research Guide**:

<http://wilson.lib.umn.edu/historyday>

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USING THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES FOR HISTORY DAY RESEARCH

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STUDENTS

The University of Minnesota Libraries are happy to welcome you to campus and to our incredible resources for history research. If you have questions about History Day topics, research or contest rules, contact the [University of Minnesota History Day Graduate Assistant](#).

You can do some research from computers outside the U, but some resources, including some electronic databases, are accessible only on campus.

Ready to Get Started? Use the links on the left sidebar!

TEACHERS

The University of Minnesota Department of History supports History Day with a University of Minnesota History Day Graduate Assistant who is here to guide your students on visits to our campus libraries. You can schedule a tour or gain additional information before your visit by contacting the [Graduate Assistant](#).

The staff of the Minnesota Historical Society, the University's Department of History and the University Libraries have put together information for high school teachers leading History Day projects in the schools. Some of that information was compiled for a January 2007 workshop and is available online:

[Helpful Resources For Teachers](#)

THEME

The theme for 2008 is *Conflict and Compromise in History*. Read the [theme information \(pdf\)](#) provided by the National History Day site.

See other side for
Quick Steps to Finding Books and Articles



HISTORY DAY QUICK-STEPS GUIDE

The Basics of Using Wilson to Research Your History Day Topic:

BASICS

Welcome to Wilson guide print copy in lobby and online at <http://wilson.lib.umn.edu/welcome.pdf>


BOOKS

Search MNCAT

1. Click on the Libraries home page (www.lib.umn.edu)
2. Click on Advanced Search
3. Change the drop down menu in the first two boxes on the left to “All Subject Keywords”
4. Enter your topic keyword in the first box on the right
5. To find Primary Sources, enter the word “sources” as Subject Keyword

The screenshot shows the MNCAT Twin Cities Advanced Search page. The search box contains the text "Nanmen square". The dropdown menu for "Combine (AND) with:" is set to "All Subject Keywords". The dropdown menu for "Combine (AND) with:" is set to "General Keywords". The "Language:" dropdown menu is set to "All Languages".

ARTICLES

2. Click on **Subjects**
3. Select the broad subject (History, Political Science, Women’s Studies, etc.)
4. Select an article database from the resulting list
5. Search your topic in the database
6. If you see a  icon near an article listing, click on it to help locate the article.
7. If there is no Find It icon, open a new window (control N) and search the journal name in MNCAT.

PRINTING AND PHOTOCOPYING

Buy a Gopher Gold card at the Cash to Card machine.

2. Cash to Card machine is located in the central lobby of first floor and basement.
3. Cards cost \$1.00 with no initial printing value.
4. Add value in increments of \$1.00 using dollar bills in the machine.
5. Computer print requests go to Uniprint network; enter any text for name and print job title.
6. Uniprint printer pickup points: first floor Reference room; basement near Reserve desk.