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Background Information

*Oxford Reference Online*
[http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?clio3311290](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?clio3311290)
Hundreds of authoritative encyclopedias and subject dictionaries


Finding Books

*CLIO, Columbia’s catalog*
[http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?AMS3996](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?AMS3996)
Use Guided Search, truncation.

*WorldCat*
[http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?AMS7418](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?AMS7418)
Worldwide catalog of 70 million records

Finding Articles

*ProQuest*
[http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?ANH8357](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?ANH8357)
Interdisciplinary, use more search options

*GLBT Life*
[http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?clio6006116](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?clio6006116)

*America: History and Life*
[http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?APE4503](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/resolve?APE4503)

*PAIS*

Other Databases You Might Want to Try:

*Art Full Text*
*Avery Index*
*Historical Abstracts*
*JSTOR*
*Sociological Abstracts*
*Medline*