

Bringing together essential newspaper and archival content for research and teaching on a wide range of topics in Black Studies.

Developed in collaboration with faculty, scholars, and librarians, ProQuest One Black Studies brings together ProQuest's award-winning Black Studies multi-format content into one destination to facilitate research, teaching, and learning. This database combines primary and secondary sources, including leading Black Historical Newspapers, archival documents and collections, key government materials, videos, writings by major Black intellectuals and leaders, scholarly journals, and essays by top scholars in Black Studies. Alongside the outstanding content in ProQuest One Black Studies, the database includes user-friendly features such as timelines, topic pages, and collection pages for easy navigation and discovery.









Authoritative Content

Provides access to a wealth of award-winning primary source collections including NAACP Papers, SNCC Papers, records of slavery, and exclusive Black historical newspapers.

The extensive archival content is complemented by multimedia content, offering comprehensive insights into Black history and culture.



Purpose-Built Interface

The ProQuest One Black Studies platform features a discipline focused interface designed for in-depth exploration and research of Black Studies.

Key features include:

- Timelines to illustrate historical and thematic progressions.
- Curated topic pages for focused exploration.
- Archival presentation that replicates traditional archival box and folder organization.











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Authoritative multi-format content

Core Components

Award-winning primary source archival content, along with The Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience and the Black Literature Index provide core content.





Exclusive Content

13 Black historical newspapers, as well archival content including the NAACP Papers and the records of key civil rights organizations of the 1950s and 1960s.

Periodicals & Magazines









Multimedia Content

850 video titles provide rich context and connections to key events, organizations, and individuals and allow users to pair video with archival content.

Scholarly Journals







Reference Publications

Over 200 books span critical topics, providing in-depth coverage of key events, figures, and themes in Black history and culture.

CONTENT AND COLLECTIONS

Black Studies Center

ProQuest One Black Studies is built on the foundation of the Black Studies Center and includes its key components: The Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience, Black Studies Periodicals and the Black Literature Index.

- The Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience This is an essential resource created by collaboration between the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture and ProQuest. Major topics on the African diaspora experience throughout the Americas are examined with a set of 32 in-depth, scholarly essays accompanied by timelines and selected bibliographies with links to full-text articles, and images.
- Black Studies Periodicals Includes the full text of over 150 journals and magazines from the United States, African nations, and the Caribbean. Coverage is international in scope and multidisciplinary, spanning cultural, economic, historical, religious, social, and political issues of vital importance to the Black Studies discipline.
- Black Literature Index A seminal collection originally released on microfilm, this index allows users to search over 70,000 bibliographic citations for fiction, poetry and literary reviews published in 110 Black periodicals and newspapers between 1827–1940.

Historical Black Newspapers

Historical Black Newspapers are an essential primary source collection and a centerpiece of ProQuest One Black Studies . These newspapers provide researchers with unprecedented access to perspectives and information of people, organizations, and events as they occurred.

The thirteen newspapers included in ProQuest One Black Studies are among the most distinguished Black Historical Newspapers in the U.S. The newspapers are:

- *Atlanta Daily World* (1931-2010)
- The Baltimore Afro-American (1893-2010)
- Chicago Defender (1910-2010)
- Cleveland Call and Post (1934-2010)
- Kansas City Call (1922-1933)
- Los Angeles Sentinel (1934-2010)
- Louisville Defender (1951-2010)
- Michigan Chronicle (1936-2010)
- · Muhammad Speaks (1961-1975)
- New York Amsterdam News (1922-2010)
- The Norfolk Journal and Guide (1916-2010)
- The Philadelphia Tribune (1912-2010)
- Pittsburgh Courier (1911-2010)

Archival Collections

Archival collections offer digital access to unique historical documents. Each of the 120 archival collections available within ProQuest One Black Studies is presented in its original order to retain the organization of the collection and closely mimic the archival research experience.

Highlights of the collections:

- 20th Century Black Freedom Movement Collections offer the opportunity to study the most well-known and unheralded events of the Black Freedom Struggle in the 20th Century from the perspectives of those who waged one of the most inspiring social movements in American history. Collections include:
 - Organization Records Features NAACP Papers which have been called the most important collection for research on the Black Freedom Movement in the 20th Century.
 Archival documents also include records from Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), African American Police League, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, American Committee on Africa, Revolutionary Action Movement, and League of Revolutionary Black Workers.
 - Personal Papers Includes the papers of key figures such as Robert F. Williams, Mary McLeod Bethune, Arthur Mitchell, A. Philip Randolph, and Bayard Rustin.
 - Federal Government Records Features Peonage Files of the Department of Justice, Centers of the Southern Struggle FBI Files, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights documents plus other government records.
- 18th and 19th Century Collections Collections contain documents relating to slavery, abolitionist movements and the Reconstruction Era. Archival collections include Black Abolitionist Papers, Records of Antebellum Southern Plantations, Slave Trade Records, Reconstruction Military Government Records, and Freedman's Savings Bank Records.

Secondary Sources

ProQuest One Black Studies features secondary sources that complement the historical newspaper and archival content by adding background and context for a fuller research experience.

Publications – Digitized publications include content from over 300 scholarly journals, 50 magazines and historic periodicals, and 200 books related to Black history and culture. Featured periodical titles include *African Repository and Colonial Journal* (1825–1849), *African Studies Quarterly, Afro-Hispanic Review, Black Enterprise, Du Bois Review, Journal of African History, The Journal of Caribbean History, The Journal of Hip Hop Studies, and Race, Gender, and Class.* Other publications in ProQuest One Black Studies include writings by Martin Delany, Booker T. Washington, Carter G. Woodson, James Weldon Johnson, Amiri Baraka, Kathleen Cleaver, Larry Neal, Bayard Rustin, James Baldwin, and others.

Video & Images – Over 850 video titles bring context and connections to the events, organizations and people featured throughout the database. Video content can be paired with archival collections such as *The SNCC Legacy Video Series* with the SNCC Papers, *Negroes with Guns: Rob Williams* and Black Power with the Robert F. Williams Papers, and *Black Panther 101* and related titles with Black Panther FBI files.



Black Panthers 101 [video], Dr. Huey P. Newton Foundation, Nov 23, 2015

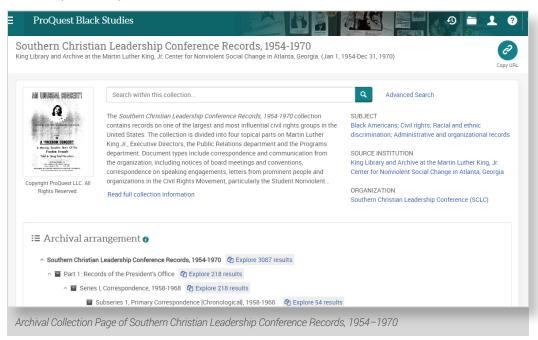


EASY TO USE FUNCTIONALITY MAKES DISCOVERING CONTENT EASIER

ProQuest One Black Studies is available on the award-winning ProQuest Platform designed with features and functionality to help make discovering content easier for students. It is bolstered by ProQuest Research Assistant which gives document insights and refines search queries. Features include:

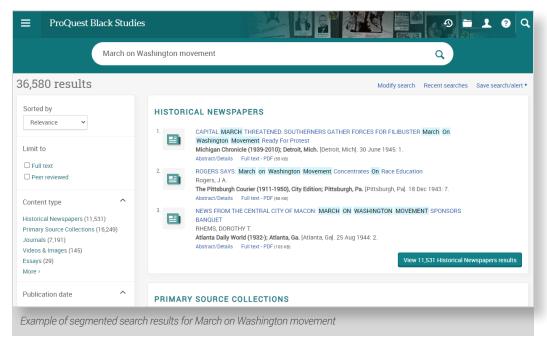
Archival Collection Pages

Each archival collection page includes a description and key bibliographic data about the collection. Each page also displays the archival arrangement of the collection, allowing researchers to understand the organization of the collection and page through the collections in the same order that they would if they were visiting the physical archive. This feature allows professors and librarians to introduce students to important aspects of archival research, in an online environment.



Segmented Search Results

ProQuest One Black Studies has segmented search results by content type, allowing users of the database to easily distinguish between archival materials, newspapers, periodicals, and other sources. Researchers can also use multi-faceted results filtering, browse lists of content, download PDFs faster, and use enhanced post-processing tasks, such as citing, saving, and sharing materials into workflow tools.



"These are the sources
I would come back to again
and again, and where
I would send my students,
to find what's not available
anywhere else: the primary
source collections and
the newspapers."

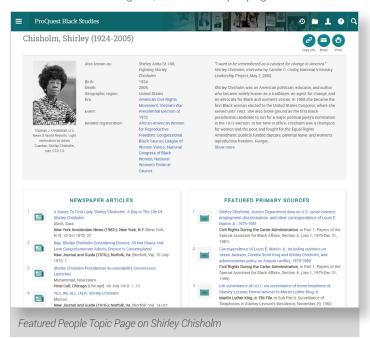
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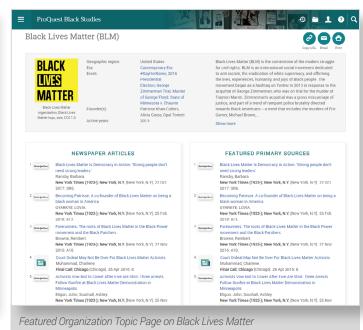
CURATED PAGES OFFER FRAMEWORK FOR DEEP RESEARCH

ProQuest One Black Studies is designed with curated topic pages and timelines that help students understand key people, organizations, and events in historical context. Each page offers a framework for research assignments and easily connects to related topics.

Topic Pages – Featured People and Organizations

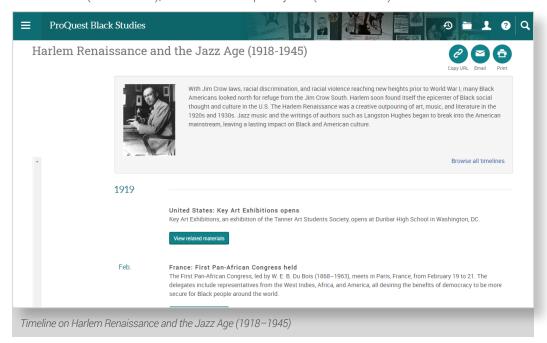
Topic pages on over 120 featured people and 19 featured organizations include an image, background information, relevant primary source and secondary documents and links to related people, events, and organizations. A common assignment in introductory classes is to have students write papers focusing on an important person or event in African American History. Topic pages help students decide on potential paper topics and guide them to useful sources for their research. As ProQuest One Black Studies continues to grow, additional topic pages will be added.





Timelines

Curated timelines on significant themes in Black History are a way for students to discover key events and easily find related documents. The timeline is organized into chronological eras such as Colonial America and Atlantic Slave Trade (1607–1775), Jim Crow Era to World War I (1878–1918), and the Contemporary Era (1976–2000s).



BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER: RESEARCH PATHWAYS

A common assignment in history classes is to ask students to write a biographical paper or a paper focused on an important historical event. The topic pages and the timeline in ProQuest One Black Studies allows students to examine newspaper articles, archival collections, and journal articles focused on individual people and events, giving them the raw materials they would need to complete a wide range of assignments, from short reaction papers to longer research projects.

W. E. B. Du Bois Topic Page

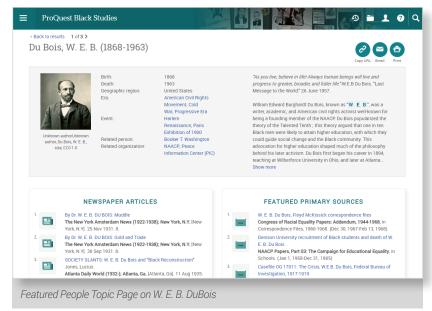
For a biographical paper, a topic page is an ideal place to start. An example of several of the results that are available from the topic page on W. E. B. Du Bois:

Historical Newspapers: "By Dr. W. E. B. DU BOIS: Muddle." *The New York Amsterdam News*, Nov 25, 1931

Primary Source Collections: W. E. B. Du Bois relations with NAACP, *NAACP Papers: Special Subjects, 1940–1955,* in C-E. (Jan 1, 1948–Dec 31, 1948)

Journals: "The Remarkable Life of W.E.B. Du Bois; W. E. B. Du Bois: The Fight for Equality and the American Century, 1919–1963." *The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education*, Iss. 30, Winter 2000/2001

Video & Images: "Ten Great Black Historical Figures." *Say Brother*, WGBH Boston, Oct. 5, 1972



Essays: "African American Labor History: A Survey of the Scholarship from Jim Crow to the New Millennium." *Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience*, 2005

Topic Pages: W. E. B. DuBois; Niagara Movement

Magazines and Historical Periodicals: "Remembering W. E. B. Du Bois ... the father of modern Pan-Africanism." *New African*, Iss. 534, Dec 2013.

Timelines: Jim Crow Era to World War I (1878-1918); Harlem Renaissance and the Jazz Age (1918-1945)

Non-Violent Protests

Students may search on a topic or concept they are learning about in a class. An example of results for a search on non-violent protests:

Historical Newspapers: "Dr. King Was a Symbol of Non-Violent Protest Marches." Louisville Defender, April 11, 1968

Primary Source Collections: "Printed materials during the 1957 Prayer Pilgrimage non-violent demonstration, 1957." A. Philip Randolph Papers

Journals: "Casting a Black Gandhi: Martin Luther King Jr., American Pacifists and the Global Dynamics of Race." *Journal of American Studies*, Feb. 2021

Video & Images: "Brother Outsider: The Life of Bayard Rustin," California Newsreel, Jan. 1, 2002

Essays: "Social Movements: A Survey of Selected Writings." Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience, 2005

Topic Pages: James L. Farmer; Philip A. Randolph; Martin Luther King Jr.; Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC)

Magazines and Historical Periodicals: "History: James M. Lawson, Jr., and the 1968 Memphis Sanitation Workers' Strike," *The A.M.E. Church Review*, July—September 2002

Timelines: Harlem Renaissance and the Jazz Age (1918–1945); Civil Rights and Black Power Movements (1946–1975)

Voting Rights Act of 1965 - Timeline Entry

Professors sometimes asks students to find primary sources or write a paper on an event or several events.

Historical Newspapers: "VOTING RIGHTS BILL PASSED: Congress OKs Civil Rights Voting Bill." *Chicago Defender*, Aug 5, 1965

Primary Source Collections: "NAACP voter registration campaign report." *NAACP Papers, Part 04: Voting Rights and the Voting Rights Campaign, 1916–1965*

Journals: "The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act and the "Quiet Revolution." *National Political Science Review.* Vol. 17. Iss. 2, 2015

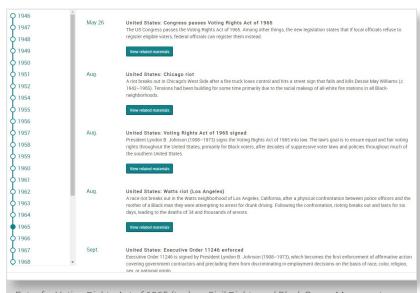
Video & Images: "Lyndon B. Johnson: Civil Rights Address." *Educational Video Group*, March 15, 1965

Essays: "American Political Systems and the Response of the Black Community." *Schomburg Studies on the Black Experience*, 2007

Topic Pages: Althea T.L. Simmons; Martin Luther King. Jr.

Magazines and Historical Periodicals: "Assault on Voting Rights." The Crisis, Vol. 110, Iss. 5 (Sep/Oct 2003)

Timelines: Civil Rights and Black Power Movements (1946–1975); Contemporary Era (1976–2000s)



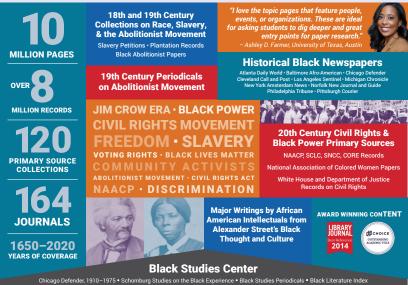
Entry for Voting Rights Act of 1965 (top) on Civil Rights and Black Power Movements (1946–1975) Timeline

FEATURED IN PROQUEST ONE BLACK STUDIES

This essential resource continues to grow with new content and features. Recent additions include:

- Organizations Topic Pages: The topic page collection contains additions of 19 featured organizations such as African American Police League (AAPL), Black Lives Matter (BLM), Black Panther Party, NAACP, and Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).
- Black Lives Matter (BLM) Movement: Over 500 articles selected from *The New York Times* on the Black Lives Matter movement were added to support research of this current movement.
- Black Studies in Video: 850 videos from Alexander Street Black Studies in Video were added covering African American history, politics, art and culture, family structure, gender relationships, and social and economic issues.
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 Supreme Court Records and Briefs on Race, Racial Discrimination, and Civil Rights: Selected cases were added such as United States v. Cruikshank (1876), Buchanan v. Warley (1915), Powell v. Alabama (1931), Nixon v. Condon (1931), Brown v. Board of Education (1954), Katzenbach v. McClung (1964), Loving v. Virginia (1967), San Antonio Independent School District v. Rodriguez (1973), Fullilove v. Klutznick (1980), Batson v. Kentucky (1986), and Freeman v. Pitts (1992).
- Selected items from Alexander Street's Black Thought and Culture: Content added includes writings, speeches, or oral histories of Carter G. Woodson, Booker T. Washington, James Weldon Johnson, Langston Hughes, Mary Church Terrell, Dorothy Height, Amiri Baraka, Kathleen Cleaver, Bayard Rustin, and others.



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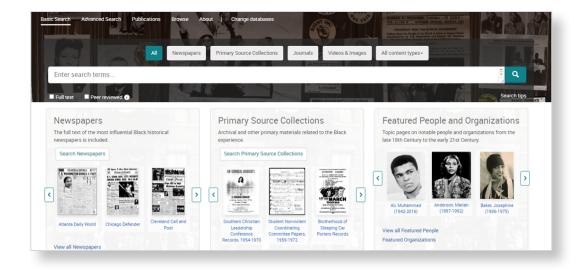
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"ProQuest One Black Studies is positioned to become the database of choice for both students and scholars in African American studies. Researchers of all levels will appreciate the database's powerful search, user-friendly design, and extensive scholarly and archival content."

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