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"There will be no mass-based feminist movement as long as feminist ideas are understood only by a well-educated few.

-Bell Hooks, *Feminist Thoery: From Margin to Center*

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As the quote above states, feminist theory and women's studies are important branches of scholarship, but even more important to be made intelligible to the masses. This LibGuide is designed to make delving into this exciting topic as accessible as possible for you. If you need help, reach out to your professor or your subject librarian, found at the bottom of this document, and happy searching!

News & Popular Media

- **Alt-Press Watch**
 - A ProQuest-run database of magazines, journals, and newspapers offering alternatives to mainstream and industry media perspectives.
- **GenderWatch**
 - A ProQuest database of publications covering topics of women's studies and LGBT research.
- **UN Women Watch**
 - A project created in 1997 as a space for promoting global gender equality issues. This resource also offers statistics from the UN Department of Social Affairs and ways to get involved through Advancement and Empowerment Initiatives.
- **Women's E-News**
 - A Non-profit news service based in NYC with extensive investigative reporting initiatives.

Reference

- Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender by Fedwa Malti-Douglas
- Encyclopedia of Women and Religion in North America
- Oxford Encyclopedia of Women in World History
- **Women's Studies Encyclopedia**
 - HQ1115 .W645 1991

Data and Statistics

- **The Center for Reproductive Rights**
 - A Global Legal Advocacy Organization dedicated to expanding reproductive healthcare through policy and advocacy work. The CRR also provides extensive statistics on women's healthcare issues.
- **International Center for Research on Women**
 - A global organization committed to "advancing the rights of women & girls worldwide." The Research arm of this organization provides extensive data and statistics about women and women's issues by country.
- **The Pew Research Center**
 - The seminal source for public opinion polling in the United States.
- **The United Nations: Global Gender Statistics Programme**
 - This statistics program is run by the UN and offers accessible data in the fields of global politics and quality of life data for women and AFAB individuals.
- **US Department of Labor's Women's Bureau**
 - The Department of Labor (DOL) provides statistics on women in the economics and labor sectors, with a special interest in topics like the wage gap and childcare in the context of labor.

Online Resources

- **The Feminist Majority Foundation**
 - A Daily Newswire covering Feminist issues in the United States and abroad.
- **Feminist Periodicals**
 - An open-access repository of 150 academic journals pertaining to Feminism & Women and Gender Studies.
- **Gender and Land Rights Database**
 - A program run by the Food and Agriculture Organization dedicated to providing legal aid, statistics, and profiles to issues pertaining to Gender & Land Rights.
- **The National Women's Studies Association**
 - The national organization of Scholars of Women's Studies offers an annual conference and an online repository of previous conference proceedings.
- **Women Writers Online**
 - A Full-text repository of texts written by women, mainly American, from 1526-1850, and span all topics.

Scholarly Articles

- **Gale OneFile: Contemporary Women's Issues**
 - A database of academic articles covering policy and social movements such as civil rights, reproductive rights, and healthcare.
- **Gender Studies Database**
 - Hosted by EBSCO, this research database provides indexing and abstracts for a large variety of articles in the field of Gender Studies.
- **JSTOR**
 - One of the largest repositories of academic papers and books, with a great assortment of topics and disciplines.
- **Project Muse**
 - A publisher of humanities papers through Johns Hopkins University. A good resource for peer-reviewed, scholarly journal articles.

Scholarly Books

- **ACLS Humanities E-Book**
 - A collection of over 5700 e-books in the humanities & social sciences.
- **HathiTrust Digital Library**
 - A not-for-profit collaboration of academic and research libraries preserving over 17 million titles, including many primary sources, covering every topic.
- **Oxford Scholarship Online**
 - The digital branch of Oxford Press, this database contains thousands of titles covering many different disciplines, including an impressive array of titles on the topic of women & gender studies.

Primary Sources

- **Discovering American Women's History Online**
 - A database of primary sources (photos, letters, diaries, artifacts) documenting the history of women in the United States, provided by Middle Tennessee State University.
- **Women's Liberation Movement Print Culture**
 - Duke University's collection of Manifestos, speeches, and essays documenting the Women's Movement of the 1960s and 1970s.
- **Women and Social Movements in the United States, 1600-2000**
 - Provided by Alexander Street, this resource is an extensive collection of Primary Sources covering the scope of Social Movements for almost the entirety of American History.
- **The Gerritsen Collection of Aletta H Jacobs**
 - A collection of women's archival materials digitized and made available through ProQuest.
- **National American Woman Suffrage Association Collection**
 - A Library of Congress collection containing books and pamphlets from famous suffragettes such as Elizabeth, Cady Stanton, Susan B Anthony, and Carrie Chapman Catt.



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