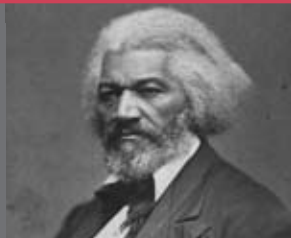


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American History and African American Studies

The information below shows how *Slavery in America* may be used to support courses and assignments in the field of history and African American Studies. The two charts below, listing historical figures studied at the high school and undergraduate level, are very illustrative of the resources *Slavery in America* can bring to students and patrons.

Major figures in the History of Slavery

Historical Figure	Full Text
Anthony Benezet	11
John Brown	77
William Wells Brown	8
Anthony Burns	17
Frederick Douglass	41
William Lloyd Garrison	48
Lincoln	135
Frederick Law Olmsted	4
Sojourner Truth	7
Harriet Beecher Stowe	18
Charles Sumner	46
Nat Turner	28

Key Topics/Subjects

Topic/Term	Subject	Keyword	Full Text
Abolitionists	44	57	265
African American Soldiers	8	10	3
Antebellum Period, 1820-1861	85	85	—
Dred Scott v. Sanford 60 U.S. (19 How.) 393 (1857)	7	7	—
Free African Americans	17	18	2
Fugitive Slave Act/Fugitive Slave Laws/Fugitive Slaves	16/34/53	18/35/68	-/13/184
Ku Klux Klan	6	6	11
Plantation Life	19	21	32
Reconstruction, 1865-1877	—	28	57
Slave Families	10	10	14
Slave Insurrections	12	14	18
Slave Life	82	85	32
Slave Narratives	33	33	2
Slave Trade	80	115	327
Underground Railroad	—	7	39
Women Slaves	12	12	12

Examples of support for curriculum with sample searches

1. Macalester College, Slavery, Abolition, and the Civil War, History 294-11

Course examines "how Americans of the nineteenth century experienced slavery, the movement to abolish it, and the war that ended it. It looks at the systems of slavery that existed in the United States, and in particular, the world slaves made for themselves in antebellum America."

Sample Search:

Subject: Slave Holders

Results: (31) Winn, T. S. *Emancipation, or, Practical advice to British slave-holders: with suggestions for the general improvement of West India affairs.* London, 1824. 114pp.; *The South vindicated from the treason and fanaticism of the northern abolitionists.* Philadelphia, 1836. 312pp.; Fedric, Francis. *Slave life in Virginia and Kentucky, or, Fifty years of slavery in the southern states of America.* London, 1863. 122pp.

2. Ohio State College African American & African Stu 323.01

History of African-American in the Age of Slavery

This course will discuss the "historical, political, economic, and social forces that shaped the destiny of the people of African descent in the United States. Selected themes and films covering the period 1619-1865 will help broaden the students' knowledge and understanding of the origin, development, and the subsequent abolition of the Atlantic slave trade and the institution of slavery in the U.S."

Sample Search:

Keyword: Slave Trade

Atkins, John. *A voyage to Guinea, Brasil and the West-Indies in His Majesty's ships, the Swallow and Weymouth: describing the several islands and settlements, ...* London, 1735. 284pp. *The Importance of affectually supporting the Royal African company of England impartially considered: shewing that a free and open trade to ...* The 2d ed. / with a new and more correct map than any hitherto published, shewing the situation of the several European forts and settlements in that country; in a letter to a member of the House of commons. London, 1745. 60pp.

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Postlethway, Malachy. *The African trade: the great pillar and support of the British plantation trade in America.* London, [1745]. 45pp.

The Royal African, or, Memoirs of the young Prince of Annamaboe: comprehending a distinct account of his country and family; his elder brother's ... London, [1749?]. 54pp.

3.Radford University, HIST 330. African-American History to 1865.

Examines the experiences of African Americans from the colonial era to the Civil War and Emancipation. Topics include the Atlantic Slave Trade, Colonial Slavery and the Revolutionary Era, Antebellum Slavery, the Antebellum Free African American Population, the Civil War, and Emancipation.

Sample Search:

(Subject=free african americans) AND (Keyword=antebellum)

Pennsylvania Society for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery. *The Constitution of the Pennsylvania Society, for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery, and the Relief of Free Negroes, Unlawfully Held in Bondage ...* Philadelphia, 1787. 13pp.

Ohio Anti-Slavery Convention (1835: Putnam). *Report on the condition of the people of color in the state of Ohio: from the proceedings of the Ohio Anti-Slavery Convention, held at Putnam, ...* [Ohio?], [1835?]. 24pp.

Northup, Solomon. *Twelve years a slave: narrative of Solomon Northup, a citizen of New-York, kidnapped in Washington City in 1841, and rescued in 1853, from a ...* Auburn, 1853. 345pp.

4. University of Virginia, Rise and Fall of the Slave South

Sample Search:

Full-text: Slave n10 South

Result: 232

Branagan, Thomas. Serious remonstrances, addressed to the citizens of the northern states, and their representatives: being an appeal to their natural feelings & ... Philadelphia, 1805. 132pp.

Earnshaw, William. A digest of the laws (from 12 Charles II.

to 58 George III. inclusive) relating to shipping, navigation, commerce, and revenue, in the British ... London, 1818. 446pp.

Philadelphian. Free remarks on the spirit of the federal Constitution, the practice of the federal government, and the obligations of the Union: respecting the ...

Stroud, George M. (George McDowell). A sketch of the laws relating to slavery in the several states of the United States of America. Philadelphia, 1827. 180pp.

In *By the Book: Assessing the Place of Textbooks in U.S. Survey Courses*, Daniel Cohen lists the most used supplementary books in U.S. Survey courses. Three in the top 10 are part of our database: Frederick Douglass; Harriet Jacobs, and Catherine Beecher Stowe.

Additional Sample Searches and Features:

1. Interest is strong in the experience of slaves and the living conditions in the plantations. This archive includes a topic guide that allows the user to look through the topics and read some captions and essays before accessing the actual texts. Click on Topic Guide at the top of the page and then click on Slave Narratives. Go to Jones, Thomas H.. *The experience of Thomas Jones, who was a slave for forty-three years.* Boston, 1850. 46pp or Browne, Martha Griffith. *Autobiography of a female slave.* New York: Redfield, 1857 for vivid accounts of life under slavery.
2. Also very much in demand are sources that represent the experience of African American Soldiers. Browse Works and go to Nell, William C. (William Cooper). *The colored patriots of the American Revolution: with sketches of several distinguished colored persons: to which is added a brief survey of ...* Boston, 1855. 394pp. and Higginson, Thomas Wentworth. *Army life in a Black regiment.* Boston, 1870. 306pp.
3. Do a Subject Search on *Cotton Trade and find conflicting viewpoints, some promoting slavery — Elliott, E. N. Cotton is king, and pro-slavery arguments: comprising the writings of Hammond, Harper, Christy, Stringfellow, Hodge, Bledsoe, and Cartwright, on ...* Augusta, Ga., 1860. 904pp. —others opposing it —Olmsted, Frederick Law. *The cotton kingdom: a traveller's observations on cotton and slavery in the American slave states: based upon three former volumes of journeys ...* Volume 1. New York, 1861-1862. 387pp. 2 vols

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