

# Libraries in Other Regions and International

## For Cambridge College Students

First see if what you need is in the extensive online, full-text resources of the **Cambridge College Online Library (CCOL)**. It provides an extensive collection of full-text articles from thousands of scholarly journals, full-text books, live reference librarian support 24 hours every day, and instruction and resources for doing research in all our subject areas. It's free, it's always available, and instructions for going there are at <http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/library/>

**For instructions and information about library and research resources** for Cambridge College students, click the *How to Use CCOL Handbook* link on <http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/library/research.cfm>

**For detailed instructions for researching and writing your research papers**, see handouts on the Research Resources page at <http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/library/research.cfm>

**For arrangements for online and traditional library and research skills instruction**, see the *How to Use CCOL Handbook*, linked at <http://www.cambridgecollege.edu/library/research.cfm>.

**Online databases and the internet probably won't have everything you need.  
If you are not near a campus site, here's how to find a local library:**

This site lists libraries in the United States, categorized by academic, public, medical, legal, special, and more: <http://www.libdex.com/country/USA.html>

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### **Try an academic library at a local college**

Why? Besides having large scholarly collections, academic libraries have strong collections in the subjects in which they give degrees. Check the college website for degree programs relevant to your subject area, and check the library website for special collections and to see if non-students can get borrowing privileges.

### **Try a local public library**

Why? You will be able to borrow books and possibly order through interlibrary loan. Your local library is part of a system of public and some academic libraries. You may be surprised at how quickly the library can get a book for you.

### **Before going to any library**

- Check the library's website and web catalog to see if it has what you want
- On the website, get the phone number for Information or Circulation, public hours, address, directions, and requirements for borrowing privileges
- **Call Information or Circulation first to make sure it is open to the public on the day and time you want to go! Website information can be wrong on this!**