

Library Skills for Genealogical Research

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I. Website Basics-slcl.org

- A. My Account/login
- B. Contact Us, Hours & Locations
- C. Social media
- D. Main tabs, click icon to return to homepage

II. Using the Library

- A. Library Cards
 - 1. Online application or any branch
 - 2. Reciprocal cards
 - 3. Default PIN-1234
- B. Borrowing
 - 1. 2 books from H & G at a time
 - 2. 14-day loan period
- C. Personalized Learning
 - 1. Book a Trainer
 - 2. eCourses-Gale, Mango
- D. Mobile App
- E. Mobile Hotspot

III. Books, eMedia & More

- A. Catalog
 - 1. Searching
 - 2. Mobius
 - 3. Narrowing a search, placing a hold
 - 4. Call number/"R"=reference

5. Dewey Decimal System, Library of Congress
 6. Worldcat.org
 7. Slcl.org search box
- B. Interlibrary Loan
- C. Suggest a Purchase

IV. Events & Classes

- A. Genealogy classes
1. Sign up online, Event Type-Genealogy
 2. Beginning to advanced levels
- B. Computer classes

V. Research

- A. Holdings & Collections
1. Founded 1998, over 100,000 print items, microfilm, databases
 2. Collections
 - a. The St. Louis Genealogical Society Collection
 - b. The Julius K. Hunter and Friends African American Research Collection
 - c. The William C. E. and Bessie K. Becker Collection
 - d. The Mary F. Berthold Collection
 - e. The Jewish Genealogical Society of St. Louis Collection
 - f. The Lewis Bunker Rohrbach Collection
 - g. The National Genealogical Society Collection
- B. Planning Your Visit
1. Located at Headquarters, Tiers 4 & 5
 2. H & G is currently closed
 3. Available services
- C. Subject Guides
- D. Publications
1. PastPorts
 2. Sign up online, back issues on website
- E. Genealogical Forms
- F. Indexes & Finding Aids
1. Made in-house
 2. Great for St. Louis ancestors
- G. Online Genealogy Resources

1. Databases & websites
 2. Need to login to use from home
 3. Ancestry.com, newspapers.com, fold3.com, many other great sites
 4. Familysearch.com affiliate library
 5. PERSI-Periodical Source Index on findmypast.com
- H. Lookups
- I. Book a Genealogist

VI. Other Libraries/Resources

- A. Missouri Historical Society, State Historical Society of Missouri
- B. Missouri Digital Heritage
- C. St. Louis Genealogical Society
- D. Out-of-town libraries and societies
- E. Digitized books-archive.org, hathitrust.org
- F. Google searches



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