

Research Guide for HIST 338: Communism in Idea and Practice

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Selected Sample Subject Headings

China -- History -- Republic, 1912-1949 -- Sources

China -- History -- Republic, 1912-1949 -- Pictorial works

Philippines -- History -- 1946-1986

Germany (East) -- Politics and government

Soviet Union -- History -- Revolution, 1917-1921

Background Information / Reference Sources

The Blackwell encyclopedia of the Russian Revolution / Blackwell, 1988

Main Reference DK265.B54 1988 LIB USE ONLY

Historical dictionary of Marxism / Scarecrow Press, 2007

Main Reference HX17 .W36 2007 LIB USE ONLY

Encyclopedia of Eastern Europe : from the Congress of Vienna to the fall of communism / Garland, 2000

Main Reference DJK6 .E53 2000 LIB USE ONLY

Encyclopedia of European social history from 1350 to 2000, New York : Scribner, 2001

Main Reference HN373 .E63 2000 (6 volumes)

Encyclopedia of the age of imperialism, 1800-1914 / Greenwood Press, 2008

Main Reference D358 .E45 2008 2 vols LIB USE ONLY

Historical dictionary of modern China (1800-1949) / Scarecrow Press, 2009

Main Reference DS755 .G368 2009 LIB USE ONLY

Great Soviet encyclopedia. English transl. [A. M. Prokhorov, ed.] New York, Macmillan, 1973

Main Oversize AE5 .B58 31 vols

Modern encyclopedia of Russian and Soviet history / Academic International Press, 1976-<2011>

Main Reference DK14 .M6 61 vols.

Historical dictionary of the People's Republic of China / Scarecrow Press, 2007

Main Reference DS777.55 .S835 2007 LIB USE ONLY

Oxford Reference Online

<http://www.oxfordreference.com/>

Collected Oxford Reference Sources, great for contextual information; use bibliographies to identify important scholars and key secondary sources.

Cambridge Histories Online

<http://universitypublishingonline.org/cambridge/histories/>

ebooks; downloadable chapters; historical context/overview geared toward non-specialist

[Cambridge History of Russia](#)

[Cambridge History of China](#)

Journal Article Databases

[Historical Abstracts](#) articles in journals covering world history 15th cent. to present

[American Bibliography of Slavic & East European Studies \(ABSEES\)](#) articles on East-Central Europe, Russia, and the former Soviet Union

[Google Scholar](#) books and articles on any subject,

[JSTOR](#) full-text articles in a subset of journals from all disciplines, generally excludes recent 3-5 years

[Bibliography of Asian Studies](#) – index to articles and essays from disciplines covering East Asian Studies

[Worldwide Political Science Abstracts](#) – major database of articles in politics journals

[Academic Search Complete](#) – multidisciplinary database of journals from all fields and popular sources

Selected Primary Source Resources in Print

Mao's road to power : revolutionary writings 1912-1949 / Stuart R. Schram, ed. / Armonk, N.Y. : M.E. Sharpe, c1992-<c2005> Main Library DS778.M3 A25 1992 7 vols

Collected works / V.I. Lenin / Moscow : Progress Publishers, 1960-1970
Main Library 947.084L547.1960 45 vols

Writings of Leon Trotsky. [English-language translations, edited by George Breitman and others New York, Pathfinder Press Main Library 947.084T756.1969 11 vols

Trotsky's notebooks, 1933-1935 : writings on Lenin, dialectics, and evolutionism / translated, annotated, and with introductory essays by Philip Pomper ; Russian text annotated by Yuri Felshtinsky/ York : Columbia University Press, 1986 Main Library DK254.T6A5 1986

China since 1919 : Revolution and reform : a sourcebook / Alan Lawrance / London ; New York : Routledge, 2004 Main Library DS773.89 .L39 2004

Chinese civilization : a sourcebook / edited by Patricia Buckley Ebrey/ New York : Free Press, c1993
Main Library DS721.C517 1993

The Chinese cultural revolution; selected documents /York, Grove Press [1968]
Main Library 951.05 F212C

Selected readings in Chinese communist literature/ New Haven, Far Eastern Publications, Yale University, 1967. Main EAsia/Afr Lit PL1117.L52

Pravda (Moscow, Russia) Russian political newspaper associated with the Communist Party
Microfilm: Main Mfilm Newsp Lib. Has 1938-1996 Shelved as: Pravda. Moscow.

Selected Primary Source Resources Online

[*FBIS Reports*](#) (1941-1996)

The Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) is a federal agency that monitors and translates foreign media into English. **FBIS Daily Reports** are translated transcripts of foreign radio and television broadcasts, news agency transmissions, newspapers, periodicals, and government statements.

[*Digital National Security Archive*](#) (subscribed resource) <http://nsarchive.chadwyck.com>

Searchable archives of declassified US Government documents. Collections of interest include:

The Berlin Crisis, 1958–1962

The Philippines: U.S. Policy During the Marcos Years, 1965–1986

The Soviet Estimate: U.S. Analysis of the Soviet Union, 1947–1991

The United States and the Two Koreas, 1969-2000

EastView Universal Databases <http://dlib.eastview.com>

Database of newspaper articles, primarily in Russian, but some in English. Also Contains *Current Digest of the Soviet/Post-Soviet/Russian Press* (1949-current) and *Current Digest of the Chinese Press* (2011-current)

Europeana: Europe's Digital Library <http://www.europeana.eu/portal/>

Millions of digital objects: film, photos, paintings, sound recordings, maps, manuscripts, books, newspapers and archival papers; from already digitized resources available in Europe's museums, libraries and archives

Research guide to primary and secondary sources in European history

<http://guides.lib.washington.edu/europe>

A page with lots of links to digital collections of European history sources, created by a librarian at the University of Washington

Internet Modern History Sourcebook (Gateway Site)

<http://www.fordham.edu/Halsall/mod/modsbook.asp>

Selected sources available on the web.

Marxists Internet Archive

www.marxists.org

Online Library of texts by Marxist thinkers from all over the world, and from many different movements under the umbrella of Marxism

[China: Culture and Society \(1750-1929\)](#)

Pamphlet Collection, digital collections, Cornell University

Research tools everyone should know about

Journal Finder

Check Oberlin's holdings for a specific journal, magazine or newspaper. Journal Finder is a tab on the main search box, and a link in the QuickLinks dropdown menu on the library homepage

ILLiad <http://illiad.oberlin.edu/illiad/logon.html>

Inter-library loan; get full text of articles, books not available in OhioLINK, and any other material not available at Oberlin. Available in QuickLinks menu on library homepage

Summon <http://oberlin.summon.serialssolutions.com/>

Large research search-engine; main search box on library homepage

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