

# Sampling of German Archival and Manuscript Resources in the U.S.

\*There is overlap in the types of materials in each of the categories below.

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## Major Collections

Center for Research Libraries (CRL), German Collections

<http://www.crl.edu/collections/topics/germany>

Documents on German foreign policy, colonial affairs, the Reich Chancellery, the military establishment, and the Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei (NSDAP) (Nazi Party), including propaganda operations, Jewish persecution, and personal documentation on Hitler and post-War Germany. Primary source materials include newspapers, press articles and clippings; government documents (ministerial acts and protocols; transcripts of parliamentary hearings); personal journals, diaries, and travel records; NSDAP-inspired laws and legal commentaries; military records including wartime maps, directives, intelligence, and reports on treason; war journals and activity reports and their appendices on operations and intelligence; and records of the interrogation of German officials of the Third Reich.

- German Foreign Ministry Archives (1867-1945) – microfilm of records seized housed at NARA
- German Baroque Literature Collection (1500-1700); more than 6,000 titles
- German drama (16<sup>th</sup>-early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries)
- Nazi Party Archives
  - Akten der Partei-Kanzlei der NSDAP (reconstruction of the archives of the Central Office of the Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei). Contains correspondence, transcripts of meetings, etc. from Chancellery of the National Socialist Party, its ministries, offices and departments, and its leaders Rudolf Hess and Martin Bormann. This archive of 300,000 pages was compiled from dozens of archives across German by the Institut für Zeitgeschichte.
  - Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei. Hauptarchiv. Selected items from documents assembled in 1946 at the Berlin Document Center. Reels 1-96, 1A-37A and reel B reproduce the Collection NSDAP Hauptarchiv, containing the most valuable documents on the background, history, and organization of the Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei; reels 97-99 and 38A reproduce a small selection of documents from the Julius Streicher and Heinrich Himmler collections, not originally part of the NSDAP Hauptarchiv, but supplemental to it.
- Parliamentary Proceedings (numerous listings)
- Prussian Military Leaders Papers
- Bibliothek der Frauenfrage in Deutschland nach Sveistrup (books and articles on the history and status of women published in Germany, 1790-1930).
- German Nationalism, National Socialism and Postwar Reconstruction, 1918-1949. Contains 1,428 titles published from 1918 to 1949 by various National Socialist German Workers Party (NSDAP) organizations and their precursors, as well as by publishers sympathetic to the Nazi Party and regime. The materials depict the political and social crises that led to the rise of National Socialism in Germany as they were expressed in everyday contemporary society.

## Harvard Libraries

[Widener Library](#) – one of the best German studies research collections in North America

- Library of Rodolphe Reuss on the Thirty Years War (2,600 volumes and pamphlets)
- Library of the Princes of Stolberg zu Wernigerode with books that were part of the working library of a reigning prince in the HRE
- Pfister Library of Munich (local Bavarian history and a sizeable collection on local history for Northern Germany)
- Heinrich Brünung Papers including manuscripts and correspondence
- Richard von Mises Collection: extensive correspondence with Rudolf Carnap, Richard Courant, Leo Spitzer, and Albert Einstein
- 19<sup>th</sup>- and 20<sup>th</sup>-century German language materials for literature, music, philosophy

[Houghton Library Manuscript collections](#) (written in German, 15<sup>th</sup> century to present)

- Richard Beer-Hofmann, Bertolt Brecht, Heinrich Heine, Hugo von Hofmannsthal, Michael Hulse (W.G. Sebald's translator), Thomas Mann, Rainer Maria Rilke, Stefan Zweig, and others
- Franz Clemens Brentano (philosopher), Lyonel Feiniger and George Grosz (artists), Walter Gropius (architect), Ruth Fischer (politician), Rudolf Kolisch and Louis Krasner (musicians), Hans Moldenhauer (music collector), Harry Zohn (critic and translator)
- Leo Lowenthal Collection with correspondence with T. W. Adorno and Max Horkheimer
- George Sarton Papers including correspondence with Ernst Bloch and Kurt Wolff
- 260 autobiographies submitted to a 1940 essay context
- Luther collection

[Harvard Law School Library](#)

- German law materials for both primary and secondary law
- [Special Collections](#) – Stolberg Collection of political and legal sciences from the private library of the Princes of Stolberg-Wernigerode; Foreign Trials Collections

[Library of Congress German Collections](#)

- German Americana
- Cartography
- Works of German composers
- Incunabula
- Works related to the Reformation
- Extensive holdings on Germany and Austria including:
  - Foreign relations records
  - Personal papers and correspondence
  - Emigration and immigration records
  - Bundestag records
  - Records for trade, manufacture, treaties
  - Papers on religion, rockets/Rocketry, travel, penal service, prisons/prisoners, military, law schools, Jews, museums, the Nazi party

#### LOC Geography and Map Division

- Rare maps, atlases, and globes
- Hauslab-Liechtenstein Collection including materials on the topography of 19<sup>th</sup>-century Austria-Hungary

#### LOC Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division

- German-monitored wartime broadcasts
- American monitoring of Hitler and others including interviews with Dönitz and Speer

#### LOC Music Library

- Liszt-Rosenthal Collection, including unpublished correspondence
- Schönberg-Webern correspondence, Albert Schatz Collection of opera librettos

#### LOC Prints and Photographs Division

- Large personal photograph collections including that of Hermann Göring
- Anti-Semitic cartoons
- Office of War Information collection
- National Red Cross collection
- Photographs from the Race Archive in Munich

#### LOC Rare Book and Special Collections Division

- Luther Collection (284 volumes of first and early editions of his work)
- Reformation Collection (142 rare volumes and pamphlets)
- Third Reich Collection (books, albums, printed materials from the Reichskanzlei Library in Berlin)
- Private book collections of several high-ranking Nazi Party officials including Hermann Göring, Heinrich Himmler, and Franz Xavier Schwarz

#### LOC Science and Technology Division

- Materials on German science and technology of the WWII period encompassing captured German technical documentation; includes 15,000 reels of captured microfilmed technical reports, 1,000 of which concern patent applications from 1939-45.

#### [University of California, Berkeley](#)

Germanic Collections of the University Library are among the most varied and extensive American collections of research materials; the Germanic collections currently number approximately 780,000 volumes and are growing at the rate of approximately 12,000 volumes per year.

In addition to literature, literary theory and language, the collections also exhibit exceptional strength in history, philosophy, sociology, political science, cinema and popular culture.

- Holdings of primary and secondary works from the age of Goethe, the Weimar Republic and contemporary German literature (considered to be among the strongest in U.S. research libraries).

- Extensive runs of newspapers and scholarly journals (in print, microform and digital form) dating in some cases back to the 18th century and including dozens of newspapers from over 40 cities in the German- and Dutch-speaking countries of Europe and in Scandinavia.
- Largest collection of material on the German Democratic Republic among U.S. research libraries.

### Bancroft Library

- Collections of scarce German Nationalist Socialist propaganda publications
- Private collection of Martin Bircher which details the history and activities of the [Fruchtbringende Gesellschaft](#), Germany's oldest learned society. It contains over 600 early printed works, 300 manuscript items and 300 pictorial items related to the society's scope of activities in the 17th century, and it is an invaluable source for the study of Early Modern German literature
- Major collection dealing with the Enlightenment in Switzerland
- Bukofzer Library (ca. 1,000 volumes in German literature)
- Burdach Library (ca. 6,700 volumes, strong in Medieval and Renaissance literary materials from Germany)
- German 17th century and 18th century Literature Collection (many rare translations of 18th century classics from English to German, important poetical handbooks, runs of poetry journals from German-speaking Europe)
- Bremer Library (ca. 3,000 volumes with special strength in 17th century German language and etymology, phonetics, phonology, modern German dialects and Frisian language and literature)
- Hesse Archives (purchased in 1959), the most complete collection of materials on Hermann Hesse in the world, containing over 1,400 items including books, the scores of musical settings for Hesse's poems, newspaper and magazine clippings, pamphlets, phonograph recordings, translations into foreign languages, and extensive secondary literature on Hesse
- Loomis Collection, 106 volumes and numerous pamphlets relative to Baroque and Renaissance literature in Germany, including many first editions and scarce materials from the earliest period in German printing
- One of the most extensive collections in the world of Dutch Underground Press materials from the period of German occupation in the Netherlands during World War II
- Weinhold Library, the cornerstone of Berkeley's collections of rare and scarce literary materials, consisting of around 10,000 volumes on all periods and genres of German literature, and especially rich in early and first editions
- Holdings of the now-defunct Goethe Institute Library in San Francisco
- Library's Media Resources Center holds over 400 German-language films (feature and documentary) among its holdings, including a special collection of over 50 DDR films from the DEFA studios in the period 1950-1980

## **German-American or German Americana**

[Ammon Stapleton Collection of Pennsylvania German Material](#), Penn State University

- Over 600 volumes printed in PA or Europe in German from the 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> centuries
- Publications of Conrad Beissel's Ephrata Community, specimens from the press of Christopher Sauer in Germantown, newspapers, broadsides, early music instruction books

[Borneman Pennsylvania German Manuscript Collection](#), Free Library of Philadelphia

- One of the largest public Fraktur collections
- Info on PA German families, folk art, and history
- MS collection: PA German communities in 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries

[Frances Ellis Collection of North American German Textbooks](#), University of Wisconsin, Madison, Memorial Library, Special Collections

- Textbooks for German language, literature, and culture published by North American presses primarily before 1970

[German Americana Collection](#), Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Ruth Lilly Special Collections and Archives

- Records of national and local immigrant organizations, papers of local families; records of North American Turners (social organization of German origin focused on physical fitness and sports and propagation of German culture)
- [Preussen Unterstutzungs Verein Records, 1884-1956](#) – records of a mutual benefits society which served German immigrants from Prussia by providing assistance in time of illness.

[German Society of Pennsylvania, Horner Library, Manuscript Collections](#)

- History of German-American associational life
- German Society's institutional records covering almost 2 ½ centuries
- Records of other German-American organizations with concentration in mid 19<sup>th</sup>-early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries and with focus on Pennsylvania
- Prominent and lesser-known German Americans including original writings, memoirs, correspondence, family documents, scrapbooks

[H.H. Frick German Americana Collection](#), University of Cincinnati

- Materials documenting German-American life; includes photographs, church records, organizational records, almanacs, journals, pamphlets, books, and manuscripts with emphasis on the German heritage in the Ohio Valley.

[Missouri History Museum Library and Research Center](#)

- Germania Colonization Society Records, 1904-05, locating lands for settlement of German immigrants
- Germanistic Society of St. Louis Records, 1926-34 – records documenting “the advancement of friendly relations between American and German scholars.”

### [Newberry Library](#)

- German-American immigration, history, and culture
- Ships' passenger lists
- Local histories of German settlements
- Personal papers of German immigrants, including manuscript collections of Forty-eighters William Rapp and Hermann Raster

### [University of Texas, Austin, Archiv des Verein zum Schutz deutscher Einwanderer](#)

- Official records, accounts, geographical, demographic, and economic surveys, emigrant letters of application, correspondence between princes in Germany and their commissioners general in Texas

## **Personal Papers/Nachlässe**

Brandeis University, Special Collections

<http://brandeis.libguides.com/content.php?pid=11595&sid=192592#7393695>

- Albert Einstein Papers

Columbia University Libraries

[http://www.columbia.edu/cu/lweb/archival/collections/ldpd\\_4079550/](http://www.columbia.edu/cu/lweb/archival/collections/ldpd_4079550/)

- Manuscript collection of Paul Oskar Kristeller's Papers, 1910-88, including life as student and teacher in Germany during the 1920s, removal by the Nazi's in 1933, life in Italy during the 1930s, emigration to the US in 1939
- Norbert George Barr Papers, 1942-53, including correspondence, manuscripts, documents, photographs, printed materials; papers reflect his participation in Nuremberg war crimes trials as an interrogator

### [German and Jewish Intellectual Émigré Collection](#), State University of New York Library

- Papers of Brecht
- Papers of Erich von Kahler
- Papers of Henry Pachter
- Papers of Karl O. Paetel
- Papers of Hans Staudinger
- Papers of 70 other German artists, historians, social scientists, and academics
- Materials relating to the German Youth and German Resistance Movements

Germanic Collections, Special Collections, UCLA

- [Lothar Meggendorfer Papers](#) (illustrator) – manuscripts, proofs of illustrations, covers, texts, two books created by Meggendorfer
- [Rudolf Carnap Papers](#) – one of the developers of symbolic logic; correspondence, audio tapes of lectures, notebooks, literary manuscripts, corrected galleys, books, and periodicals
- [Franz Werfel Papers](#) – one of the founders of the expressionist movement in German literature; correspondence, manuscripts, clippings and printed materials, pictures, artifacts, periodicals, books

[Missouri History Museum Library and Research Center](#)

- Personal Papers of Franz Sigel regarding the 1848 revolution in Baden
- Herman T. Hesse Papers, 1851-1901

## Literary

[Bancroft Library](#), University of California, Berkeley

- See above, “Major Collections”

[Fischer Manuscripts](#), Lilly Library, Indiana University, Bloomington

- Correspondence with authors and manuscripts from the files of German publisher, S. Fischer.

[German Literature Collection](#), Beinecke Library, Yale University

- Rare books and first editions from 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries
- Frick Collection of 5,000 literary 1<sup>st</sup> editions and periodicals in German from the early 20<sup>th</sup> century through c. 1945
- Hermann Broch Archive (material spans the years 1872 to 1990s with the bulk falling between 1930 and 1951)
  - Correspondence
  - Manuscripts of books, plays, poems, articles and essays, book reviews, short stories
  - Writings of others
  - Personal papers
  - Photographs
  - Videocassettes which document aspects of Broch’s life and career
- Correspondence of Kurt Wolff Verlag
- Thomas Mann manuscripts and letters
- Materials relating to Goethe

[Houghton Library, Harvard](#)

- See above, “Major Collections”

[Special Collections](#), Firestone Library, Princeton University

- Thomas Mann manuscript collections
- Hermann Broch Collection including correspondence dating from 1938
- Early 17<sup>th</sup>-century holdings

[William Kurrelmeyer Collection: 1407-1940](#), Johns Hopkins University

- Manuscripts and correspondence of German poets mostly from the 19th century but some from the 18th and 20th centuries collected by William Kurrelmeyer
- Large group of letters received by Johannes Kleinpaul, scientist at the University of Leipzig
- Printed material of Friedrich Hebbel and Adolf Pichler
- 7 untranslated, parchment documents dating from 1407 to 1498

## History

### [American Jewish Archives](#), Cincinnati, OH

- Extensive holdings on German-Jewish immigration to the US during 19<sup>th</sup> century (perhaps the strongest institution in the world dealing with immigration of Jews from Germany and their subsequent experience in America)
- German-Jewish immigration after 1933 and some materials dealing with experience of Jews in Germany after 1945

### [Captured German Records](#), National Archives and Records Administration

- Captured German Navy Records
- Nazi Party and SS records
- Records of private individuals and enterprises
- German military records antedating World War II

### [Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies](#)/United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

- Collection of nearly 42 million pages of records: microform reproduction of materials held by state and private archival institutions from most European countries and others.
- Personal papers, memoirs, testimonies of Holocaust survivors, victims, liberators, historians, artists, staff of the Int'l Military Tribunal; oral histories; film; photographs; recorded sound and music

### [German Collection](#), Hoover Institution, Stanford University

- Coverage from the founding of the First Reich and the Reichstag debates in 1871
- Extensive holdings related to German participation in European politics and WWI
- Trench papers, personal narratives, government documents, reviews of foreign presses, manuscript materials, prisoner-of-war letters, sketchbooks, posters
- November 1918 revolution
- National Socialist period (1933-45)
- WWII
- Postwar period
- Founding of the Federal Republic and Democratic Republic in 1949
- Fall of the Berlin Wall

### [German Jewry](#), Leo Baeck Institute

- Family papers, personal correspondence, community histories, business and public records, genealogical materials documenting the German-Jewish experience
- Unique collection of over 2,000 memoirs of German Jews from 1790 to the post-war era
- Photograph collection of over 25,000 photos
- Art collection depicting Jewish life in German lands from the 16<sup>th</sup> century to the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century and serving as documentation of material culture of German-speaking Jewry.

### [John F. Kennedy Presidential Library](#)

- Kennedy's presidential papers, 1953-60, relating to Germany
- Correspondence between Kennedy and Adenauer
- National Security files regarding Adenauer-de Gaulle talks on the Berlin Crisis
- Personal papers of Walter Heller (chief of internal finance with Office of Military Government)
- OMGUS German file, 1945-49, regarding US economic policy to Germany
- Proposals for solving Germany's post-war economic problems
- Post-OMGUS German File, 1947-51, on fiscal-monetary policy in German economic recovery
- Personal papers of Arthur Schlesinger, Jr.
- Personal papers of James Warburg, 1919-33 including German banking crisis of 1931
- Oral history interviews

### [Joseph D. Keenan Papers](#), American Catholic History Research Center and University Archives, Catholic University of America

- Papers dealing with reorganization of German labor unions (1945-48)
- Correspondence, speeches, articles, publications, 1945-50

### [Mennonite Church USA Archives](#), Goshen, IN and North Newton, KS

- Goshen: Records of the old Mennonite Church and its agencies: Mennonite Board of Education, Mennonite Board of Missions, Mennonite Mutual Aid, Mennonite Publishing House; Allegheny, Gulf States, Indiana-Michigan, Mountain States, and Ohio area conferences; congregations in the eastern US; personal papers of Mennonites and Amish Mennonites in the Great Lakes states; records of the Mennonite Church USA
- North Newton: Records of the former General Conference Mennonite Church,; Bethel College; Western District, Rocky Mountain, and Pacific Southwest area conferences; congregational records from the western US; personal papers of Mennonites primarily in the Great Plains states; other records related to the eastern European background of Mennonites in the Great Plains.

### [Mennonite Library and Archives](#), Fresno Pacific University

- Official archives for General Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches (1879-2003), the Pacific District Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches, Mennonite Brethren Biblical Seminary (1955-2010)
- Personal manuscript collections of individuals related to the Mennonite Brethren Church

### [Moravian Archives](#), Bethlehem PA

- Holdings include records of the Northern Province Moravian churches in the U.S. and Canada excluding North Carolina, Florida, Georgia, and Virginia. The Archives also holds records for churches in Alaska, Labrador, Nicaragua, and the Eastern West Indies.

### [Moravian Archives](#), Winston-Salem, NC

- Repository of records for the Southern Province of the Moravian Church. Records extend back to 14753, when the Moravian Church began in North Carolina.

[Moravian Historical Society](#), Nazareth, PA

- History of the province since its beginning in 1740, personal papers, diaries, church registers, minutes and reports of synods and conferences, congregation records, campaign papers, and more

[Morristown National Historic Park Library](#), US Department of the Interior

- Collection of letters of military leaders from the Thirty Years War and Seven Years War
- Letters of German officers from the American Revolution
- Letters from other prominent Germans of the past 500 years
- Hessian papers from the Lidgerwood collection including transcriptions from orderly books, journal, and correspondence in the German archives at Marburg and Wolfenbüttel covering 1775-83
- Manuscript collections from the 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> centuries including letters and official documents of Maximilian I, Maria Theresa, Frederick II, Baron von Steuben, Joseph II, Frederick William IV, Paul von Hindenburg, and others

[National Socialism Collection](#), Special Collections, UCLA

- National Socialism in Germany and the United States – pamphlets, newspapers, books, magazines, pictures, photographs, filmstrips, slides, ephemera, etc.

[Nazi Collection](#), Ball State University

- Mostly German language publications printed in the 1930s and early 1940s that document National Socialism during the Third Reich. Includes Nazi ideological treatises, propaganda items, books, pamphlets, and ephemera.

[Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library](#), Princeton University

- Papers of Edwin Walter Kemmerer, 1875-1945, on the reconstruction of the German monetary system
- John Foster Dulles relating to Germany
- Letters of Adolf Hitler
- Papers of Phillip Bouhler, 1933-34,
- Papers of Alexander Schifrin (pseudonym: Max Werner, 1933-51))
- Papers of Albert Einstein (scientific, non-scientific, and personal papers located at Hebrew University, including correspondence with Rudolf Carnap and Ernst Cassirer)
- Collection of anti-communist propaganda, 1951-53, from West Germany

[Special Collections](#), Brandeis University

- Nazi Documents Collection of major Nazi officials prior to and during WWII
- Theresienstadt Concentration Camp Documents (200+ daily order bulletins issued by the German command)
- Holocaust Survivors Collection: recorded interviews of survivors now living in the US

[Special Collections](#), Lauinger Library, Georgetown University

- Victor M. Baydalakoff Papers. Includes materials on the National Workers Alliance in Germany, 1930-1935.
- Laurence D. Egbert Papers, 1943-1946. Egbert was a member of the executive staff of the U.S. Chief Counsel at the Nuremberg trials.
- Edwin Emerson Papers, 1898-1952. Includes unpublished memoirs of Emerson, who served as freelance writer and journalist during the First World War and covered the war behind German lines.
- George C. McGhee Papers. McGhee was US Ambassador to the Federal Republic, 1963-1968.
- James D. Mooney Papers. Includes material relating to Mooney's informal diplomatic contacts with Hitler and the German government in 1939-1940.
- Rodney Loomer Mott Papers, 1942-1946. Includes materials on Germany's financial reorganization after World War II.
- Heinrich Rommen Papers. Includes papers on the academic discipline of political science in the Third Reich.
- James Brown Scott Papers, 1906-1946. Includes correspondence, manuscripts, and other papers relating to his activities at the Versailles Peace Conference.
- Richard Van Wagenen/OMGUS Collection. Covers activities of the Public Finance Branch of OMGUS. Includes data on planning for occupation and other legal, military, and personal documents.
- Edmund A. Walsh Papers with some material that relates to the Nuremberg trials, where Walsh was an advisor. Most material pertains to the case of Karl Haushofer.
- Microform
  - Akten der Reichskanzlei, 1919-1945
  - U.S. Military Intelligence Reports: Germany 1919-1941
  - Deutscher Bundestag, Protokolle, 1815-66
  - Konstituierende Versammlung des Norddeutschen Bundes, 1867
  - Stenographische Berichte über die Verhandlungen des Norddeutschen Bundes, 1867-70
  - Stenographische Berichte über die Verhandlungen des Zollparlaments, 1868-70
  - Stenographische Berichte über die Verhandlungen des Reichstages, 1871-1933
  - Stenographische Berichte über die Verhandlungen des Deutschen Bundestags, 1949-67
  - U.S. Military Intelligence Reports, Germany 1941-44

[Special Collections](#), University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

- Kann Collection on Austrian history: 7,000 printed volumes, Prof. Kann's scrapbooks, 600 pamphlets and broadsheets from the Vienna Revolution of 1848, pamphlets on Austrian history published 1621-1798.
- James Ford Bell Collection: printed materials prior to 1800 related to German settlements and travels throughout the world

[Fortunoff Video Archive for Holocaust Testimonies](#), Sterling Memorial Library, Yale University

- Holocaust survivors, those in hiding, bystanders, resisters, liberators

## Law

[Berkeley Law Library](#), University of California

- Private papers of refugee law professors, including Friedrich Kessler, Stephan Kuttner, and Walter Holtzmann
- Personal library of Albert Ehrenzweig

[German Legal Research](#), Harvard Law School Library

- Primary Law
  - Legislation, including the Bundesgesetzblatt, the official gazette of federal law
  - Amendments and codifications of the Bundesgesetzblatt
  - Commercial Collections and Codifications
  - Code Translations
  - Subsidiary Legislation in the Bundesgesetzblatt
  - Laws of the States
  - Case Law
  - Entscheidungen des Bundesverfassungsgericht
- Secondary Law
  - Code commentaries
  - Periodicals
  - Festschriften
  - Treatises
  - Dictionaries, Legal dictionaries and encyclopedias

[Law Library](#), Library of Congress

- Extensive collections for principalities, Länder, the Empire including 19<sup>th</sup>-century commentaries and published compendia of materials from legislative debates on proposed legal reforms of the Deutsches Reich
- Official gazettes from 1871

## Medical or Scientific

[Francis A. Countway Library of Medicine](#) (Boston Medical Library – Harvard Medical Library)

- One of the most extensive holdings of German medical history including incunabula, medieval and Renaissance German medical manuscripts, German medical theses from the 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> centuries, and most German landmark medical books
- Pennsylvania-German medical imprints collection
- Letters of Boston medical students who studied in Germany describing status of German medicine
- The complete medical libraries of Friedrich Tiedemann and Rudolf Kobert

[German and Austrian Aviation and Space Activities](#), National Air and Space Museum Archives

- Aircraft files
- Airship files
- Biographical files
- Technical manuals
- German aircraft drawings

[National Library of Medicine](#)

- Extensive holdings of books published 1500-1800 in German-speaking areas in medical and allied fields
- Collection of approximately 600 incunabula
- Comprehensive collection of medical theses from Central European universities
- Pamphlets
- Uncatalogued German government documents
- 30,000+ individual and group portraits
- Confiscated material on medical experimentation in Nazi Germany

## Visual Arts

[East German Art Collection, 1946-1992](#), Stanford University

- Books, catalogs, posters, and ephemera documenting the history of East German art.

[MoMA](#)

- German Expressionist prints, drawings, paintings, sculptures, illustrated books, and periodicals

[Neue Galerie](#)

- Early 20<sup>th</sup>-century German and Austrian art and design
  - Fine art of Klimt, Schiele, Kokoschka, Gerstl, and Kubin
  - Decorative arts created at the Wiener Werkstätte by Hoffmann, Moser, and Peche and by architects Loos, Urban, Wagner
- 20<sup>th</sup>-century movements
  - Blaue Reiter and its circle
  - Brücke
  - Bauhaus
  - Neue Sachlichkeit
  - Werkbund

## Miscellaneous

[Collection of German and Central European Manuscripts](#), J. Paul Getty Museum

- 32 illuminated manuscripts, 9<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> centuries
  - Helmarshausen Gospel book (1120s)
  - Stammheim Missal (ca. 1170)
  - Illuminated copy of Rudolf von Em's World Chronicle
  - Carolingian manuscripts from early 9<sup>th</sup> century
  - Ottonian liturgical books
  - etc.

[Leopold von Ranke Library](#), Syracuse University Libraries

Over 10,000 books, several hundred manuscripts, personal papers. The 10,000 volumes on historical, political, and literary subjects from the 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries have been transferred to Rare Books and are accessible via the library catalogue <http://summit.syr.edu/>

- Leopold von Ranke Manuscript Collection – 104 bound manuscripts, 326 unbound manuscripts or parts of manuscripts that date back to 16<sup>th</sup> century and are in various languages
  - Venetian ambassadors' reports from various European capitals
  - Venetian chronicles
  - Nuncios' reports to the pope
  - Political documents from Tuscany
  - Chronicle of Nuremberg
  - Research and reference materials about Ranke's library in general
  - Bibliographical notes compiled by Theodor Wedidemann (Ranke's amanuensis during the last 15 years of his life)

[Special Collections](#), German Historical Institute, Washington, D.C.,

- Business and consumer history
- German Americana
- Histories of German towns and cities
- Finding aids to archives in Germany
- Social and political history of the GDR
- History of German society and social change, 1970-1990
- German unification
- German foreign and security policy

## Printed/e-Guides

- Hope, Anne and Jörg Nagler. *Guide to German Sources in American Archives and Libraries*. Washington, D.C.: German Historical Institute, 1991. Print only. Dated but useful.
- Ostoyich, Kevin. [\*The German Society of Pennsylvania: A Guide to Its Book and Manuscript Collections\*](#). Washington, D.C.: German Historical Institute, 2006.
- Strupp, Christopher and Birgit Zischke, eds. [\*German Americana, 1800-1955: A Comprehensive Bibliography\*](#). Vol. 1. Washington, D.C.: German Historical Institute, 2005.
- Strupp, Christopher and Kai Dreisbach, eds. [\*German Americana, 1956 - 2005: A Comprehensive Bibliography\*](#). Vol. 2. Washington, D.C.: German Historical Institute, 2007.
- Wilhelm, Cornelia. [\*German Jews in the United States: A Guide to Archival Collections\*](#). Washington, D.C.: German Historical Institute, 2008.

## German Script Courses/Instruction, Residential and Online (below)

### [Moravian Archives German Script Course](#)

- Intensive course on learning to read German script from the 17th through the early 20th centuries. Now in its 43rd year and is the only course of its kind in the country. Texts are chosen to illustrate the early history of Bethlehem and the work of the Moravians within their context. By touring the historic districts of Bethlehem and nearby Nazareth, participants will experience the setting in which the events from the study material took place.

### [Archival Summer Seminar in Germany \(GHI\)](#)

- The Archival Summer Seminar, organized by the German Historical Institute, is a two-week program for advanced graduate students in German historical studies. The program trains participants to read old German script, familiarizes them with German research facilities (archives and libraries), provides a forum for discussing research methods, and helps prepare them for their prospective dissertation research trips to Germany. The group will spend the bulk of their time in various German archives. Students will learn how to contact archives, use finding aids, identify important reference tools, and become generally acquainted with German research facilities. Participants will be exposed to various approaches that archivists, librarians, and scholars use to locate source material in an exceedingly complex repository landscape. They also will gain insight into how historical materials are acquired, stored, and made accessible to scholars. Participants will hear from scholars actively engaged in research, and will have the chance to ask them questions on research methods, strategy, and planning.

### [German Script Tutorial](#) (Center for Family History and Genealogy, BYU)

- Online introduction to the handwritings and typefaces used in German-speaking countries in the eighteenth, nineteenth, and early twentieth centuries.

### [Sütterlin](#)

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