Resources for Teaching Civil Rights History

I. General Resources
   a. Books
      Gary Gerstle, *American Crucible: Race and Nation in the Twentieth-Century*
      Eric Foner, *The Story of Freedom*

   b. Films and Documentaries
      *School Colors*, Frontline Series, PBS Video
      *L.A. is Burning: Five Reports from a Divided City*, PBS Video

   c. Websites
      Library of Congress
      [http://www.loc.gov/](http://www.loc.gov/)

      History Matters
      [http://historymatters.gmu.edu/](http://historymatters.gmu.edu/)

      Facing History and Ourselves
      [http://www.facinghistory.org](http://www.facinghistory.org)

      The Civil Rights Project, Harvard University
      [http://www.civilrightsproject.harvard.edu](http://www.civilrightsproject.harvard.edu)

      American Civil Liberties Union
      [http://www.aclu.org](http://www.aclu.org)

      Anti-Defamation League
      [http://www.adl.org](http://www.adl.org)

      Citizen’s Commission on Civil Rights

      U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

      Southern Poverty Law Center
      [http://www.splicenter.org](http://www.splicenter.org)
      [http://www.tolerance.org](http://www.tolerance.org) (Teaching Tolerance webpage)

II. African American
   a. Books
      John Dittmer, *Local People: The Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi*
      Adam Fairclough, *Better Day Coming: Blacks and Equality, 1890-2000*
b. **Films and Documentaries**
   - *Eyes on the Prize Series*, PBS Video
   - *Two Nations of Black America*, Frontline Series, PBS Series
   - *The Long Walk Home*
   - *Out of Obscurity: The Story of the 1939 Alexandria Library Sit-In*
   - *Freedom Never Dies: The Legacy of Harry T. Moore*
   - *Two Towns of Jasper*, POV Series, PBS Video
   - *The Murder of Emmett Till*, American Experience, PBS Video
   - *Brother Outsider: The Life of Bayard Rustin*, POV Series, PBS Video
   - *Four Little Girls*

c. **Websites**
   - Remembering Jim Crow
   - Civil Rights in Mississippi Digital Archive
   - The Martin Luther King Jr. Papers Project
     [http://www.stanford.edu/group/King/](http://www.stanford.edu/group/King/)
   - African-American Odyssey
     [http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/aaohtml/exhibit/aointro.html](http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/aaohtml/exhibit/aointro.html)
   - Dynamics of Idealism: Volunteers for Civil Rights, 1965-1982
     [http://dpls.dace.wisc.edu/Idealism/index.html](http://dpls.dace.wisc.edu/Idealism/index.html)
   - A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum
   - NAACP
     [http://www.naacp.org](http://www.naacp.org)

III. **Arab American**
    a. **Books**
       - Abraham, Sameer and Abraham, Nabeel, eds. *The Arab World and Arab-Americans: Understanding a Neglected Minority*
       - Gregory Orfalea, *Before the Flames: A Quest for the History of Arab-Americans*
    b. **Films and Documentaries**
       - *Tales from Arab Detroit*
c. Websites
Arab American Institute
http://www.aaiusa.org/

American-Arab Anti-Discrimination League
http://www.adc.org/

IV. Asian American
a. Books
Angelo N. Anchita, Race, Rights, and the Asian-American Experience

b. Films and Documentaries
Who Killed Vincent Chin?
Of Civil Rights and Wrongs: The Fred Korematsu Story
A Family Gathering

c. Websites
Asian-American Legal Defense and Education Fund
http://www.aaldef.org/home.html

Asian Law Caucus
http://www.altrue.net/site/alc/

Densho: The Japanese American Legacy Project
http: www.densho.org

National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium
http://www.napalc.org/

Manzanar National Historic Site Home Page (National Park Service)
http://www.nps.gov/manz/

Remembering Manzanar
http://www.qnet.com~earthsun/remember.htm

Ansel Adam’s Photographs of Japanese-American Internment at Manzanar
http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/aamhtml/aamhome.html

V. Disability Rights
a. Books
Joseph P. Shapiro, No Pity: People with Disabilities Forging a New Civil Rights Movement
b. Films and Documentaries

*Children of a Lesser God*
*Door to Door*

c. Websites

Disability Rights Commission Homepage
http://www.drc-gb.org/drc/default.asp

Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund
http://www.dredf.org/

Disability Rights Advocates
http://www.dralegal.org/

Learning Disabilities Online
http://www.ldonline.org/

Mobility International USA
http://www.miusa.org/

National Association for the Education of African American Children with Learning Disabilities

Parent’s Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights
http://www.pacer.org/

VI. Gay and Lesbian Rights

a. Books

John D’Emilio, *Sexual Politics, Sexual Communities*

b. Films and Documentaries

*Before Stonewall*
*After Stonewall*
*Scout’s Honor*

c. Websites

Human Rights Campaign
http://www.hrc.org/

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force
http://www.ngltf.org

Scouting for All
www.scoutingforall.org
VII. Hispanic/Latino

a. Books
   Francisco Rosales, *Chicano!: The History of the Mexican-American Civil Rights Movement*
   Robert J. Rosenbaum, *Mexicano Resistance in the Southwest*

b. Films and Documentaries
   *Chicano!: The History of the Mexican-American Civil Rights Movement*, PBS Video

c. Websites
   The Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund
   National Council of La Raza
   UFW: The Official Website of the United Farm Workers
   [http://www.ufw.org/](http://www.ufw.org/)
   Cesar E. Chavez Foundation
   El Teatro Campesino
   [http://www.elteatrocampesino.com/campesin/campesin.html](http://www.elteatrocampesino.com/campesin/campesin.html)

VIII. Native American

a. Books
   Paul Chaat Smith, *Like a Hurricane: The Indian Movement from Alcatraz to Wounded Knee*
   Vine Deloria, Jr., *Custer Died for Your Sins*

b. Films and Documentaries
   *The Spirit of Crazy Horse*
   *In Whose Honor?: American Indian Mascots in Sports*
   *In the White Man’s Image*, American Experience, PBS Video

c. Websites
   American Indian Movement
   Leonard Peltier
   [www.freepeltier.org](http://www.freepeltier.org)
IX. Prison Rights

a. Books
Eric Cummins, *The Rise and Fall of California’s Radical Prison Movement*

b. Films and Documentaries
*Dead Man Walking*
*The Case for Innocence*, Frontline Series, PBS Video
*What Jennifer Saw*, Frontline Series, PBS Video
*Angel on Death Row*, Frontline Series, PBS Video
*Shakedown in Santa Fe*, Frontline Series, PBS Video

c. Websites
Prison Legal News

Death Penalty Information Center

National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty (NCADP)

X. Women’s Rights

a. Books
Estelle B. Freedman, *No Turning Back: The History of Feminism and the Future of Women*

Linda Kerber, *No Constitutional Right to Be Ladies: Women and the Obligations of Citizenship*


b. Films and Documentaries
*The Way Home*
*Not for Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony*, American Experience, PBS Video
c. **Websites**

The League of Women Voters  

Selections from National American Women’s Suffrage Association  
[http://www.memory.loc.gov/ammem/naw/nawshome.html](http://www.memory.loc.gov/ammem/naw/nawshome.html)

Living the Legacy: The Women’s Rights Movement, 1848-1998  

National Women’s Law Center  
[http://www.nwlc.org](http://www.nwlc.org)

Women’s History Workshop  
[http://www.assumption.edu/whw/](http://www.assumption.edu/whw/)