

Literary Criticism



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Literary Criticism involves the interpretation of literature, as well as its evaluation. This is a small sample of resources available in print and electronic formats to assist you in researching literary works, criticism, and authors.

Print Resources

Authors

Contemporary Authors	PN 771 .C61 Ref
Dictionary of Literary Biography	PN 501.D5 Ref
Something About The Author	PN 451 S6 Ref

Book Reviews

Book Review Digest	Z 1219 C95 Ref
Book Review Index	Z 1035 A1 B6 Ref
New York Times Index	Index Table 2B

Indices

Humanities Index	Index Table 1A
Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature	Index Table 1B
Essay and General Literature Index	Index Table 6B

Literary Criticism

Bloom "Contemporary Literary Views" Books	Index Table 5 & 6
Contemporary Literary Criticism	PN 771 C59 Ref
Drama Criticism	Index Table 7B
Masterplots	Reference Desk
Nineteenth Century Literary Criticism	PN 761 N56 Ref
Poetry Criticism	Index Table 7B
Short Story Criticism	Index Table 6A
Twentieth Century Literary Criticism	PN 771 G27 Ref

Literary Terms

Book of Literary Terms	PN 44.5 .T87 1999 Ref
Concise Oxford Dictionary of Literary Terms	PN 41 C67 1990 Ref
Dictionary of Literary Terms and Literary Theory	PN 41 .C83 1998 Ref

Related Journals

ELH	PR 1 .E5
Explicator	PR 1 .E9
Southern Literary Journal	PS 261 S527

Subject-Specific Resources

African American Writers	PS 153 N5 A344 1991 Ref
American Writers	Index Table 6B
Black Literature Criticism	Index Table 6B
Bartlett's Familiar Quotations	PN 6081 .B27 1992 Ref
Contemporary Dramatists	PR 106 V5 1988 Ref
Contemporary Novelists	PR 883 V55 1986 Ref

Electronic Resources

All of these electronic resources are available in the library or through the library web page. To find these and other recommended databases, select Literature from the Databases by Subject menu. All databases may be searched from off-campus locations by following the instructions on the web page.

Academic Search Premier – Large academic database covering a wide variety of academic topics including social sciences, humanities, education, engineering, chemistry, medical sciences, and many more.

JSTOR – Journal archive with full-text coverage of sixteen literary journals from the first issue to the last few years.

Literature Resource Center – Includes literary criticism, author biographies, full-text articles, and book reviews.

Literary Reference Center- Includes literary criticism, author biographies, full-text articles, and reviews.

MLA Bibliography – Scholarly database containing bibliographic records for books & articles pertaining to literature, language, linguistics, and folklore; most appropriate for graduate and faculty level research.

NetLibrary – ebooks owned by NSU Libraries.

Reference Universe – Indexes the contents of reference books making information in the reference collection more accessible. Provides call numbers for books held by NSU Libraries.

Internet Resources

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Project Gutenberg	http://promo.net/pg/
Voice of the Shuttle	http://vos.ucsb.edu/