Digital Collections at Harvard
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Locating Digital Materials at Harvard
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E-Research @ Harvard Libraries
E-Research @ Harvard Libraries is the University’s online system for searching and finding e-resources of many kinds: http://e-research.lib.harvard.edu

HOLLIS Catalog
Use the HOLLIS catalog to locate not only digital collections, but some individual digital objects as well. Look for “Internet Links” in HOLLIS records or choose “Digital Resources” when you begin your HOLLIS search: http://holliscatalog.harvard.edu

VIA
VIA, Harvard’s Visual Information Access catalog, provides links to more than 270,000 individual images: http://via.harvard.edu

For More Information
Explore the Harvard Libraries web site at http://lib.harvard.edu. Visit “A Selection of Web-Accessible Collections” to view new digital collections as they are added: http://digitalcollections.harvard.edu
Latin American Pamphlet Digital Collection
http://nrs.harvard.edu/urn-3:hul.eresource:latampdc

More than 5,000 titles, including many scarce and unique Latin American pamphlets published during the 19th and early 20th centuries. Chile, Cuba, Bolivia, and Mexico are the countries most heavily represented in this collection.

Widener Library—Harvard College Library

Legal Portraits Online
http://www.law.harvard.edu/library/collections/special/online-collections/portraits

More than 4,000 portrait images of lawyers, jurists, political figures, and legal thinkers dating from the Middle Ages to the late 20th century. These prints, drawings, and photographs depict legal figures prominent in the common law as well as those associated with the canon and civil law traditions.

Legal Portraits Collection—Harvard Law School Library

Mercator Globes
http://nul.harvard.edu/mercatorglobs

Images of Harvard’s Mercator Globes with zooming and navigation features available to viewers. Mercator was a prolific publisher of maps and atlases. He also produced a terrestrial globe in 1541 and a matching celestial globe in 1551. Surviving examples of the Mercator globes are rare. Harvard’s is the only known matched pair in America.

Harvard Map Collection—Harvard College Library

A New and Wonderful Invention: The 19th-Century American Trade Card
http://www.library.hbs.edu/hc/19th-century_tcard

More than 1,000 images of 19th-century advertising trade cards. As one of the most popular forms of advertising in the 19th century, and as indicators of consumer habits, social values, and marketing techniques, trade cards are of interest to scholars of business history, American studies, graphic design and printing history, and social and cultural history.

Historical Collections, Baker Library—Harvard Business School

Images, Documents

Museum of the American Indian
http://www.indianmuseum.harvard.edu

Includes information about the museum's collections, exhibitions, and events.

Nunavut Archaeology
http://www.nunavutarchaeology.ca

Information on archaeological sites and artifacts in Nunavut, Canada.

The Nuremberg Trials Project: A Digital Document Collection
http://nuremberg.law.harvard.edu

Over one million pages of documents relating to the war crimes tribunals held in Nuremberg after World War II. The digital collection includes thousands of images of pages from the “Case I Medical Trial,” including transcripts, briefs, documents, books, evidence files, and other papers related to the trial of military and political leaders before the International Military Tribunal (IMT) and to the twelve trials of other accused war criminals before the United States Nuremberg Military Trials (NMT).

Harvard Law School Library

The Rev. Claude L. Pickens, Jr., Collection on Muslims in China
http://nul.harvard.edu/theses/harvard-yenchING/collections/pickens

Over 1,000 photos of Muslims with Christian missionaries working among them in Western China in the 1920s and 1930s. The collection is supplemented by several hundred books, pamphlets, broadsides, etc., in several languages.

Howard-Tilton Library—Harvard College Library

Images, Documents

South Central China and Tibet: Hotspot of Diversity
http://www.arboretum.harvard.edu/lflibrary/tibet/expeditions.html

Thousands of photographs and manuscripts from Harvard’s historical and contemporary ethnographic and natural history collections related to South Central China and Tibet. The collections include plant and bird specimens, as well as photographs of the region’s landscape, architecture, and people.

Arnold Arboretum Horticultural Library—Harvard University

Images, Documents

Sunken Cities of the Mediterranean
http://www.mediterraneansunkcities.org

Information on sunken cities and their exploration.

Women Working, 1800-1930
http://bop.hul.harvard.edu/www

More than 500,000 pages of historical documentation focusing on the role of women in the United States economy. The sources include books, pamphlets, manuscripts, and images selected from Harvard’s library and museum collections.

Open Collections Program—Harvard University Library