

## Sources in

# CANADIAN LITERATURE

This guide lists a selection of the more important sources of information on Canadian Literature available at Concordia Libraries. It includes material held in the Webster Library (WEB) on the Sir George Williams Downtown Campus, in the Vanier Library (VAN) on the Loyola Campus and/or available online. Most materials are located in the Reference area (REF). **This is not a complete list.** Additional resources may be found by searching CLUES, the library catalogue.

For more information, consult the **Research Guides by Subject** available on the Libraries' Web site at <http://library.concordia.ca/research/subjects>, the *Sources in Literatures in English* handout, or contact the reference librarian. **Databases** are accessible on the Libraries' Web site at <http://library.concordia.ca/research/databases/>.

### Guides to the Literature

Cambridge Guide to Literature in English	REF PR 85 C29 2006 WEB
English-Canadian Literature to 1900: A Guide to Information Sources	REF PS 8071 M69X WEB VAN
Literary Research Guide (Harner)	REF PR 83 H37 2002 WEB
Oxford Illustrated Literary Guide to Canada	REF PS 8087 M67X 1987 VAN

### Handbooks and Encyclopedias

Cambridge Companion to Canadian Literature	REF PS 8061 C333 2004 WEB VAN
Encyclopedia of Literature in Canada	REF PS 8015 E53 2002 WEB VAN
Encyclopedia of Post-Colonial Literatures in English – 1 <sup>st</sup> ed. (1994)	Database: <a href="#">Literature Online</a> (LION)
Encyclopedia of Post-Colonial Literatures in English – 2 <sup>nd</sup> ed.	REF PR 9080 A52E53 2004 WEB
Encyclopedia of the Novel (1998)	Database: <a href="#">Literature Online</a> (LION)
Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century – 4 vol.	REF PN 771 E5 1999 WEB VAN
Handbook to Literature	REF PN 41 H355 2003 WEB
New Princeton Encyclopedia of Poetry and Poetics (Print)	REF PN 1021 N39 1993 WEB VAN
New Princeton Encyclopedia of Poetry and Poetics (Online)	Database: <a href="#">Literature Online</a> (LION)
Oxford Companion to Canadian Literature (Print)	REF PS 8015 O93+ 1997 WEB VAN
Oxford Companion to Canadian Literature (Online)	Database: <a href="#">Oxford Reference Online</a>
Oxford Companion to Twentieth-Century Literature in English	REF PR 471 O94 1996 WEB VAN
Oxford Companion to Twentieth-Century Poetry in English (Print)	REF PR 601 O9 1994 WEB VAN
Oxford Companion to Twentieth-Century Poetry in English (Online)	Database: <a href="#">Oxford Reference Online</a>

### Dictionaries, Literary Terminology and Theory

Bedford Glossary Of Critical And Literary Terms	REF PN 44.5 M86 2003 WEB
Book of Literary Terms: The Genres of Fiction, Drama, Nonfiction, Literary Criticism, and Scholarship	REF PN 44.5 T87 1999 WEB
Columbia Dictionary of Modern Literary and Cultural Criticism (1995)	Database: <a href="#">Literature Online</a> (LION)
Concise Oxford Dictionary of Literary Terms (Online)	Database: <a href="#">Oxford Reference Online</a>
Continuum Encyclopedia of Modern Criticism and Theory	REF PN 94 C695 2002 WEB
Dictionary of Literary Terms And Literary Theory (Cuddon)	REF PN 41 C83 1998 WEB
Dictionary of Literary Themes and Motifs	REF PN 43 D48 1988 WEB
Edinburgh Encyclopaedia Of Modern Criticism And Theory	REF PN 94 E35 2002 VAN



Glossary of Contemporary Literary Theory	REF PN 44.5 H37 2000 WEB
Glossary Of Literary Terms (Abrams)	REF PN 41 A184 2005 WEB
Handbook of Literary Terms: Literature, Language, Theory	REF PN 44.5 K46 2005 WEB
Johns Hopkins Guide to Literary Theory and Criticism	REF PN 81 J55 2005 WEB
Literary Terms: A Dictionary (Beckson)	REF PN 44.5 B334 1989 WEB VAN
Multicultural Dictionary of Literary Terms	REF PN 41 C28 1999 WEB
Poet's Dictionary: A Handbook Of Prosody And Poetic Devices	REF PN 44.5 P3 1989 VAN
Twentieth Century Literary Movements Dictionary	REF PN 597 T94 2000 WEB VAN

### *Literary History and General Bibliographies*

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Annotated Bibliography of Canada's Major Authors – 8 vol.	REF PS 8061 A6X WEB VAN
Contemporary Canadian and U.S. Women of Letters: An Annotated Bibliography	REF PS 8089.5 W6G46 1993 WEB VAN
Ethnic and Native Canadian Literature: A Bibliography	REF PS 8075 M573 1990 WEB VAN
Literary History of Canada: Canadian Literature In English	REF PS 8071 K6+ 1976 WEB VAN
Year's Work in Critical and Cultural Theory	<a href="#">Database</a> : 1996-onward
Year's Work in English Studies (Print:1919-onward REF PE 58 E5 WEB)	<a href="#">Database</a> : 1996-onward

### *Collections of Criticism and Biographical Sources*

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<i>Literature Resource Center</i> includes:	Database: <a href="#">Literature Resource Center</a>
Contemporary Authors	
Dictionary of Literary Biography	
<i>Literature Resource Center</i> also includes <b>selections</b> from:	
Contemporary Literary Criticism - Select	
Drama Criticism	
Poetry Criticism	
Short Story Criticism	
Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism	
Who's Who in Canadian Literature	REF PS 8081 W46+ WEB VAN
Who's Who in the League of Canadian Poets	REF PS 8081 L42+ WEB VAN

### *Books of Literary Criticism and Bibliographies*

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In **CLUES** search **More Options: Subject Heading** or **Keywords in Subject Heading**, using the author's name as a subject heading, last name first, or using topical headings. Look for subdivisions, such as **Bibliography**, **Characters**, **Criticism and Interpretation**, **History and Criticism**, or the title of a literary work. Examples:

SUBJECT:	<a href="#">Laurence Margaret Criticism And Interpretation</a>
SUBJECT:	<a href="#">Atwood Margaret Eleanor 1939 Characters Women</a>
SUBJECT:	<a href="#">Davies Robertson 1913 Fifth Business</a>
SUBJECT:	<a href="#">Canadian Literature Bibliography</a>
SUBJECT:	<a href="#">Canadian Poetry History and Criticism</a>

### *Databases and Periodical Indexes*

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When searching for **secondary sources** on a literary topic, one generally begins by finding books in **CLUES**, then by identifying scholarly journal articles in a bibliographic database. The **MLAIB** and **ABELL**, which can be searched simultaneously, are normally the first databases to consult.

**MLA International Bibliography (MLAIB)** (1926-onward) – Provides references to articles from more than 4,400 journals, as well as dissertations, and essays in books. Includes selective fulltext

**ABELL: Annual Bibliography of English Language and Literature** (1920-onward) – Provides references to journal articles, books, dissertations, and book reviews. Includes selective fulltext.

### **Other Databases and Indexes:**

[CBCA Complete](#) (1982-onward) – Indexes articles in more than 600 Canadian newspapers, magazines and journals in all subject areas. Includes fulltext articles starting in 1993.

[CPI.Q. Canadian Periodical Index](#) (1988-onward) – Provides references to articles and book reviews in magazines and journals in all subject areas, with fulltext beginning in 1995. The print version of the Canadian Periodical Index begins in 1920. Location: Webster and Vanier Indexes AI 3 C2

**Essay and General Literature Index** (1900-onward) – Provides references to essays and articles contained in books published in the United States, Great Britain, and Canada. Locations: Vanier Index (1900-2004) and Webster Index (1900-onward) AI 3 E8

[Literature Online \(LION\)](#) – A fulltext database consisting of more than 350, 000 works of English and American, drama, poetry, and prose. Canadian coverage consists of poetry only from 1610 onward.

[Literature Resource Center](#) – Provides fulltext of biographies, bibliographies, and critical analyses of authors from every age and literary discipline. Includes more than 250 fulltext journals.

### **Book Review Indexes**

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ABELL: Annual Bibliography of English Language and Literature Book Review Digest (1905-onward)	Database: <a href="#">ABELL</a> INDEX Z 1219 B6 WEB
Book Review Index (WEB 1980-onward, VAN 1970-onward)	INDEX Z 1035 A1B62
Canadian Periodical Index - See section "book reviews." (1920-2002)	INDEX AI 3 C2 WEB VAN
Combined Retrospective Index to Book Reviews in Humanities Journals, 1802-1974	INDEX Z 1035 A1C63X WEB
Combined Retrospective Index to Book Reviews in Scholarly Journals, 1886-1974	INDEX Z 1035 A1C64 WEB
Humanities Abstracts (1984-onward)	<a href="#">Database</a>
Humanities Index (book review section in the back of each volume)	INDEX AI 3 I521+ WEB VAN

### **Indexes to Collections**

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Columbia Granger's Index to Poetry	REF PN 1022 H39 1994 WEB VAN
Columbia Granger's Index to Poetry in Anthologies	REF PN 1022 H39 2002 WEB
Columbia Granger's Index to Poetry in Collected and Selected Works	REF PN 1022 C63 1996 WEB
Essay and General Literature Index (1900-onward)	REF, INDEX AI 3 E8 WEB VAN
Inter-Play: An On-line Index to Plays in Collections, Anthologies and Periodicals (free on the Internet – late 1800s-onward)	<a href="#">Database</a>
Play Index (WEB REF 1949-1997 VAN REF 1949-onward)	REF PN 1655 P55+ WEB VAN
Short Story Index (WEB REF 1950-1989 VAN REF 1950-onward)	REF Z 5917 S5C6 WEB VAN

### **Directories**

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Book Trade in Canada	REF Z 485 B65+ WEB VAN
Canadian Writer's Market	REF PN 161 W26 2002 WEB
MLA Directory of Periodicals (via MLA International Bibliography)	DATABASE
Poetry Markets for Canadians	REF PN 155 P6+ WEB VAN

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