

*Genealogical  
Research  
in the  
Clemson University  
Libraries*





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## *Welcome to the Clemson University Libraries*

Many resources of interest to genealogists, especially those concerned with South Carolina families, are available in the Libraries' print and microform collections. And while you are on campus, please visit our web page at [www.lib.clemson.edu](http://www.lib.clemson.edu) to use **Ancestry Plus**, an important online database for family history.

Help with using our catalog, locating materials and searching Ancestry Plus is provided at the Reference Desk in Cooper Library and at the reading room desk in Special Collections (please see page 8). For in-depth assistance, contact Priscilla Munson at (864) 656-6375 or [wprisci@clemson.edu](mailto:wprisci@clemson.edu)

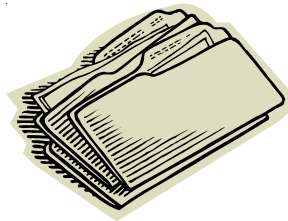
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## *Online Catalog*

Keyword Searching is often the best way to begin.

Some examples:

[Calhoun] family	to find <b>family histories</b>
Civil War and pension	to find <b>military pension lists</b>
passenger lists	to find <b>immigration information</b>
South Carolina and deeds	to find <b>property records</b>
church records	to find <b>vital records</b>
obituaries	to find <b>death notices</b>



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## *Finding Library Materials*

The catalog provides location, call number and checkout information for each item listed. Most books in Cooper Library may be checked out, while materials located in Special Collections must be used only within the library.

Cooper Library Call Number Locations		
Call Numbers	Level	Special Locations
S - Z	6	
Q - R	5	
	4	Reference
	3	Federal Government Publications SC State Government Publications
L - P	2	Reserves & Media microforms
A - K	1	

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## *How-To Guides*

1. ***Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy***  
**Reference CS47 .G79 2000**
2. ***Complete Idiot's Guide to Genealogy (1997)*** - netLibrary
3. ***Genealogist's Handbook: Modern Methods for Researching Family History*** Reference CS9 .W74 1995; also netLibrary
4. ***Printed Sources: A Guide to Published Genealogical Records***  
**Ready Reference CS9 .P75 1998**

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## *Guides to South Carolina Genealogy*

1. *Sources for Genealogists. South Carolina Department of Archives & History Reference F268 .T88 1996*  
*<http://www.state.sc.us/scdah/genealre.htm>*
2. *Guide to South Carolina Genealogical Research & Records Reference F268 .H634 1986*
3. *South Carolina Genealogical Research Special Collections F268 .S38 1985*
4. *Hunting Your Ancestors in South Carolina Reference CS16 .F7 1974*



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## *Handbooks for African American Genealogy*

1. *Black Genesis: A Resource Book for African American Genealogy Reference CS21 .R57 2003*
2. *How to Trace your African American Roots Reference E185.96 .H69 1999*
3. *African American Genealogical Research Reference E185.96 .B35 1997*

## *Federal Census Records*

The United States government has conducted a population census every ten years since 1790.

***Ancestry Plus*** provides access to images of the 1790-1930 schedules, with name indexing available for many years. For the 1890 census, most of which was destroyed in a fire, a substitute is being constructed based primarily on city directories.

Our library has the first census (1790) in book format for these states: Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, & Virginia (reconstructed)



The South Carolina volume is shelved in Reference at ***F273 .U5 1952***  
To find the others, try this online catalog keyword search:

***first census and [state]***

***Population schedules for South Carolina*** on microfilm are available in the Reserves & Media area for these years: 1800-1880, 1900, 1910

***Printed Indexes Listing Names of Individuals***, also in Reserves, are available for the 1800-1870 South Carolina censuses.

Microfilm ***Slave Schedules*** for South Carolina for 1850 & 1860, with printed name indexes of slave owners, are also located in Reserves.

Printed indexes to the South Carolina ***Mortality Schedules*** for 1850 & 1860 are available in Special Collections (***F268 .H597 & F268 .A763 1982***).

Help with Using Census Records:

1. ***American Census Handbook Reference CS49 .K4 2001***
2. ***Map Guide to the U.S. Federal Census, 1790-1920 Reference G1201 .F7T5 1987***

## *Military Records*

### **1. Early America**

***Colonial Soldiers of the South, 1732-1774 F208 .C58 1983***  
***South Carolinians in the Revolution E263 .S7E73 1965***  
***Roster of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution***  
***Special Collections E263 .S7M67 1994***  
***Loyalists in the Southern Campaign of the Revolutionary War***  
***CS63 .C55***  
***Revolutionary War Pension Applicants Who Served from South***  
***Carolina Special Collections E263 .S7P97***

### **2. Civil War**

***Tracing Your Civil War Ancestor Reference CD3047 .G76 1995***  
***War of the Rebellion: ...Official Records of the Union and***  
***Confederate Armies Federal Documents W45.5:***  
***(and Navies – Federal Documents W45.6:)***  
***South Carolina Troops in Confederate Service***  
***Special Collections E577.3 .S72***  
***Roll of the Dead: South Carolina Troops, Confederate. . .***  
***Reference E577.3 .R65 1994***  
***List of Pensioners on the Roll January 1, 1883***  
***Reference E494 .U55 1970; Also on CD-ROM in Reference***  
***South Carolina's African American Confederate Pensioners, 1923-***  
***1925 South Carolina Documents Ar255 2.A36***

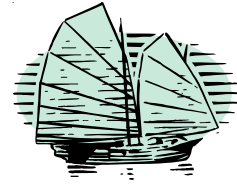
### **3. Spanish American War & Twentieth Century**

***Historical Roster: . .South Carolina Volunteer Troops. . .War***  
***between the United States & Spain, 1898 E726 .S7F64***  
***Black Soldiers in World War I: Anderson, Pickens, & Oconee***  
***Counties Special Collections E185.63 .M44 1994***  
***Official Roster of South Carolina Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines***  
***in the World War, 1917-1918 D570.85 .S72***  
***Official Roster of South Carolina Servicemen and Servicewomen in***  
***World War II, 1941-1946 D769.85 .S6A5***

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## *Immigration Records*

1. *First Settlers of South Carolina, 1670-1700*  
*Special Collections F268 .B35 1985*
2. *South Carolina Immigrants, 1760-1770*  
*Special Collections F268 .J66 1988*
3. *South Carolina Naturalizations, 1783-1850*  
*Special Collections F268 .H647 1985*
4. *Compilation of the Original Lists of Protestant Immigrants to South Carolina, 1763-1773* *Special Collections F272 .R44*
5. *Scotch-Irish Migration to South Carolina, 1772* *F280 .S4S8*
6. *Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Charleston, 1820-1829*  
*Reference CS68 .H654 1994*
7. *Citizens and Immigrants-South Carolina, 1768*  
*Special Collections F268 .W36*



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## *Property Records*

### *Deeds*

1. *Records in the British Public Records Office Relating to South Carolina, 1663-1782* *Reserves & Media unclassified microfilm*
2. *Warrants for Lands in South Carolina, 1672-1711*  
*F272 .S69 1973*
3. *Index to Deeds of the Province and State of South Carolina, 1719-1785. . . F268 .L8*
4. *South Carolina Deed Abstracts [1773-1788]*  
*Special Collections F268 .H644 1993*

### *Wills*

1. *Abstracts of the Wills of the State of South Carolina [1670-1784]*  
*Special Collections F268 .M82*
2. *Indexes to the County Wills of South Carolina [1766-1864]*  
*Special Collections F268 .S66 1982*
3. *Probate Records of South Carolina [1746-1821]* *F268 .H62*
4. *Genealogical Collection of South Carolina Wills and Records [1697-1864]*  
*F269 .Y75*



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## *South Carolina Places*

1. *Mills' Atlas: Atlas of the State of South Carolina, 1825 Reference (oversized) G1305 .M53 1965*
2. *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries, South Carolina Reference G1306 .F7A85 1997*
3. (Geographical) *Names in South Carolina Special Collections F267 .N32 1976*
4. *South Carolina County Maps Ready Reference G1306 .P2P8 1994*

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## *Vital & Cemetery Records*

The South Carolina Division of Vital Records ([www.scdhec.net/vr/](http://www.scdhec.net/vr/)) retains records of births and deaths since 1915, marriages from July 1950 and divorces from January 1962. For other states, see ***Where to Write for Vital Records*** ([www.cdc.gov/nchs/howto/w2w/w2welcom.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/howto/w2w/w2welcom.htm)).

1. *South Carolina Marriages (1688-1820) Special Collections F268 .H645*
3. *WPA Transcripts of Tombstone Inscriptions in South Carolina Special Collections microfiche*

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## *Periodicals & Newspapers*

1. *Carolina Herald* (S.C. Genealogical Society), 1974-  
*F268 .C3*
2. *South Carolina Gazette* (title varies), 1732-1782  
*Reserves and Media (microfilm newspaper)*
3. *South Carolina Historical Magazine*, 1900-  
*Special Collections F266 .S72*
4. *South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research*, 1975-  
*Special Collections CS42 .S64*
5. *Transactions of the Huguenot Society of South Carolina F280 .H8H89*



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## *A Visit to Special Collections*

A non-circulating collection that contains a wide variety of material of interest to researchers may be found in the Special Collections area. Included in the collection are periodicals such as the South Carolina Historical Magazine and the South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research; family histories; indexes to birth, marriage, death and cemetery records; indexes to wills; county and city histories and indexes.

Special Collections is located on the lower level of the Strom Thurmond Institute Building, directly behind the R.M. Cooper Library. Hours are: Monday through Thursday, 8:00am until 6:00pm, and Fridays until 4:30pm. (Hours are restricted during holidays, intersessions and summer sessions.) Please call 656-3031 for more information.



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## *Additional Resources*

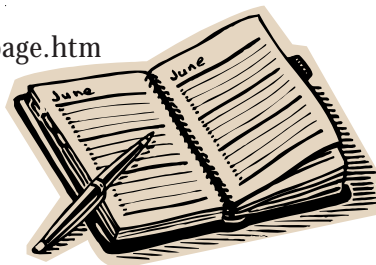
Greenville County Library  
25 Heritage Green Place  
Greenville, SC 29601  
Telephone: (864) 242-5000  
[www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org)

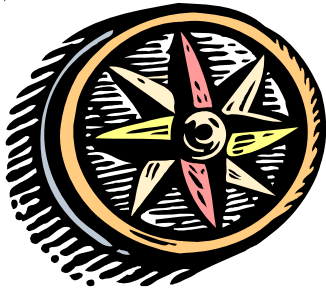
Pendleton District Historical, Recreational & Tourism  
Commission  
125 East Queen Street  
P.O. Box 565  
Pendleton, SC 29670  
(864) 646-3782  
[www.pendleton-district.org](http://www.pendleton-district.org)

Clayton Genealogy Room  
Claude R. Rickman Library  
Southern Wesleyan University  
P.O. Box 1020  
907 Wesleyan Drive  
Central, SC 29630  
(864) 644-5000  
[www.swu.edu/library/contactinformation.php](http://www.swu.edu/library/contactinformation.php)

South Carolina Department of Archives & History  
8301 Parklane Road  
Columbia, SC 29223  
Telephone: (803) 896-6100  
[www.state.sc.us/scdah/homepage.htm](http://www.state.sc.us/scdah/homepage.htm)

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Columbia, SC 29208  
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