

## DEFENSE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE LIBRARY GUIDE TO THE INTERNET

Listed here are a few of the vast number of Internet sites which contain information that is useful to people in the EO field. The Internet is always changing and growing. Some of the sites listed here may change or disappear by the time you try to access them. Please let us know about missing sites and also other sites not listed here which you want to share with us.

### PART 1: SUBJECT DIRECTORIES

One of the most efficient ways to locate Internet resources on a topic is to use good subject directories which are compiled, edited and maintained by humans. They organize web sites into subject categories and provide links to the listed sites. Here are a few.

**Argus Clearinghouse** <http://www.clearinghouse.net>

A highly selective subject directory of recommended sites compiled by subject specialists. Be sure to read the Search Tips because the search engine uses unusual syntax.

**GPO Gate** <http://www.gpo.ucop.edu>

The Government Printing Office has full texts of the *Federal Register*, *Congressional Record*, *Congressional Bills*, *US Code*, etc. at this site.

### PART II SEARCH ENGINES

Search engines compile their listings with programs called spiders, crawlers, robots or worms which roam the Web and record the text and topics of pages. Search engines index far more pages than subject directories; usually 30 to 50 million. (Total Web pages exceed 100 million.) Listed below are the 5 largest and most popular search engines. It pays to read the help screens because each search engine has unique features and syntax rules to help you find things.

**Google** <http://google.com> The mother of all search engines. A search engine of search engines.

**Hotbot** <http://www.hotbot.com>

Best for more specific searches and for finding images and sound. Over 54 million Web pages in full text minus stop words (a, an, the, etc.) **Search syntax:** Defaults to **and**. Has a fill-in-the-blanks search template with many options.

**AltaVista** <http://www.altavista.digital.com>

Best for finding very obscure references or for finely targeted searches. Over 30 million full text Web pages. **Search syntax:** Defaults to **or** logic on Simple Search format. No default for Advanced Search format. Field searching similar to Infoseek.

**Excite** <http://www.excite.com>

Best for searches when you know you'll be deluged with hits. Over 50 million Web pages on 140,000 sites. Uses Intelligent Concept Extraction (ICE) to find relationships between words and ideas. Use the "View by Web" function to show the names of sites rather than individual pages from the sites. Use + for words that your results MUST contain. Use - in front of words your results should NOT contain.

**Lycos** <http://www.lycos.com>

Similar in size to Excite. Results sometimes contain none of your search terms. Use a + to require the word and a - to exclude words. A new feature allows you to search your search results. Other features are Peoplefind, RoadMaps and UPS Package Tracking Service.

### PART III FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SITES The Legislative Branch

**Congressional Directory** <http://www.congress.org>

Includes both houses of Congress. Search by name, state and committee assignment.

**Federal Legislation** <http://thomas.loc.gov>

This Library of Congress site provides full text of bills, the Congressional Record, committee reports, and links to committees and House and Senate Clerks.

**Government Printing Office** [http://www.gpo.gov/su\\_docs/](http://www.gpo.gov/su_docs/)

Very similar to the Library of Congress site listed above. Includes text of the Constitution.

**Federal Laws** <http://www.law.harvard.edu/library>

**The United States Senate** <http://www.senate.gov>

**The U.S. House of Representatives** <http://www.house.gov>

### **The Executive Branch**

**The White House** <http://www.whitehouse.gov>

### **Department Of Defense**

**Defense Technical Information (DTIC) Web Page** <http://www.dtic.mil/dtiw>

A starting point for accessing DoD information.

**DoD Publications** <http://web7.whs.osd.mil/corres.htm>

**Air Force Home Page** <http://www.af.mil>

**Air Force Publications** <http://afpubs.hq.af.mil>

**Army Home Page** <http://www.army.mil>

**Navy Home Page** <http://www.navy.mil>

**Marines Home Page** <http://www.usmc.mil>

**Coast Guard Home Page** <http://www.dot.gov/dotinfo.uscg>

(The Coast Guard is part of the Department of Transportation)

**Tuskegee Airman National Homepage** <http://members.aol.com/jtomlin228/tai>

**Index to Military Periodicals** <http://www.au.af.mil/au/aul/muir1/aulimp1.htm>

A subject index listing articles in about 90 military periodicals.

**Military City Online Web Outpost** <http://www.militarycity.com>

This site and the four following are all run by the Military Times Publishing Company. The cost to access the "Times" sites is \$4 a month if you are not a subscriber to the newspaper.

**Air Force Times Online** <http://www.airforcetimes.com>

**Army Times Online** <http://www.armytimes.com>

**Marine Corps edition of Navy Times** <http://www.marinetimes.com>

**Navy Times Online** <http://www.navytimes.com>

**Women in the Military** <http://www.minervacenter.com>

A companion to *Minerva* magazine available on paper in the Library

--<http://h-net2.msu.edu/~minerva/links.html>

Another Minerva site; this one at Michigan State University. Excellent quality.

<http://www.MilitaryWoman.org>

<http://clark.net/pub/wimsa> Home page of Women in Military Service for America, Inc.

### **The Census Bureau**

**Census Bureau Home Page** <http://www.census.gov>

**Federal Statistics** <http://www.fedstats.gov>

**Statistical Abstract of the United States** [http://www.census.gov/stat\\_abstract](http://www.census.gov/stat_abstract)

**American Demographics Mag** <http://www.demographics.com/publications/ad/index.htm>

### **The Library of Congress**

**LC's Home Page** <http://www.loc.gov> A wonderful site that lets you go to all of the Library's large collection of web pages. Very easy to use and, like a bag of potato chips, hard to quit.

### **PART IV HUMAN RIGHTS**

**University of Minnesota Human Rights Library** <http://www.umn.edu/humanrts>

An outstanding data source in this field. Judged to be the best, and easy to use.

**The Civil Rights Web Site!** <http://www.civilrights.org>

This beautiful site is maintained by the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. It has pages about all major civil rights issues including hate crimes, affirmative action, disability policy issues, education, religious issues and more.

## PART V ETHNIC STUDIES

### **African American History & Culture--At the Library of Congress** <http://lcweb.loc.gov/exhibits/african>

A Resource Guide called The African-American Mosaic. It includes letters, newspaper articles, documents, photos and slave narratives.

--**The Underground Railroad** <http://www.nps.gov/undergroundrr> This National Park Service site covers the history and geography of the underground railroad from Colonial times plus links to other related sites.

--**Emancipation Proclamation** <http://www.nara.gov/exhall/featureddocument/eman>

Original pages of the Emancipation Proclamation plus an essay by John Hope Franklin

**American Studies Web** <http://www.georgetown.edu/crossroads/asw> Includes information on race, ethnicity, gender, sociology, demography, religion, etc.

**ArabNet** <http://www.arab.net>

Emphasizes news and commercial and cultural information about Arab countries.

**Asia Society** <http://www.asiasociety.org> Asian art, culture, politics, and interactive discussion groups.

**Cybrary of the Holocaust** <http://remember.org>

An extensive site containing much information about Jewish culture and the Holocaust.

**Middle East Network Information Center** <http://link.lanic.utexas.edu/menic> This University of Texas site is rated as the "best Web site for Middle Eastern studies." Links to many other Middle Eastern Web pages Information on history, art, culture, government, maps, religion and more.

**Native American Sites** <http://www.nativeweb.org>

NativeWeb is a listing of sites about Native Americans. Search by region, tribe, language, education, law and literature.

## PART IV REFERENCE SITES

### **Country Studies/Area Handbooks** <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs/cshome.html>

This Library of Congress site contains 71 "Country Studies"—the online version of the books of the same name. An excellent source of information on the culture, heritage, society and values of the citizens of the countries studied.

### **How to Find Information on the Internet: A Tutorial**

<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/teachinglib/guides/internet/findinfo.html>

An introduction to the Internet, glossary of Internet terms, and search methods.

### **My Virtual Reference Desk** <http://www.refdesk.com>

A quick and easy-to-use site with comprehensive content and a sensible index. Includes an encyclopedia, 260 search engines, a newspaper, facts on file. Highly recommended.

### **How to Write Research Papers** <http://www.researchpaper.com>

This commercial site by Infonautics Corporation has some advertisement, but it includes many helpful ideas for writing good papers. Includes a chat room for students.

### **Citation Guides for Internet Sources** <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/soc/style.html>

Tells you how to list Internet sites in your bibliography.

### **The Internet White Pages** <http://www.four11.com>

Find Internet addresses of almost everyone. You can also register your name.

## PART V RACIST AND MILITIA WEB SITES

For some reason hate group web sites come and go or move frequently. Therefore it is best to go to a directory such as the one below, which keeps track of them. Use the hyperlinks provided in the directory to view the sites or use one of the search engines listed in Part II. Many military firewalls deny access to hate group web sites.

### **HateWatch—A Directory of Hate Sites** <http://hatewatch.org>

A list of hate group web sites with descriptions. Updated daily. Includes New Sites, Hate by Category, Who's Who, Interviews, Symbols and more. Includes many icons, statements and links to listed sites. David Goldman, the Director of HateWatch says, "we believe the best way to fight this cultural poison is to face it head on."