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The Federal Depository Libraries of Oklahoma

The nineteen federal depository libraries of Oklahoma receive publications from federal agencies and provide access to information from federal websites. Access to the depository materials listed in this directory is, by federal and state law, open to the public. Many of these publications can either be borrowed from the libraries directly, or through the interlibrary-loan services that libraries provide for their customers.

This is a short-format listing of the federal depository libraries of our state. For more information about each depository go to www.odl.state.ok.us/usinfo/usdepsys.htm

ADA—East Central State University, Linscheid Library, (580) 310-5587
ALVA—Northwestern Oklahoma State University, J.W. Martin Library, (580) 327-8576
DURANT—Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Henry G. Bennett Memorial Library, (580) 745-2795
EDMOND—University of Central Oklahoma, Max Chambers Library, Documents Department, (405) 974-5156
ENID—Public Library of Enid and Garfield County, (580) 234-6313, ext. 110
LANGSTON—Langston University, G. Lamar Harrison Library, (405) 466-3348
LAWTON—Lawton Public Library, (580) 581-3450
NORMAN—University of Oklahoma, Bizzell Library, Government Documents Collection, (405) 325-3141
NORMAN—University of Oklahoma, Law Library, (405) 325-4311
OKLAHOMA CITY—Metropolitan Library System, (405) 231-8650, 231-8651, 231-8652
OKLAHOMA CITY—Oklahoma City University, Dulaney-Browne Library, (405) 521-5073
OKLAHOMA CITY—Oklahoma Department of Libraries, U.S. Government Information Division, (405) 521-2502
SHAWNEE—Oklahoma Baptist University, Mabee Learning Center, (405) 878-2255
STILLWATER—Oklahoma State University, Edmon Low Library, Documents Department, (405) 744-6546
TAHLEQUAH—Northeastern State University, John Vaughan Library, Government Publications Department, (918) 456-5511, ext. 3246 or 3252
TULSA—Tulsa City-County Library, (918) 596-7946
TULSA—University of Tulsa, McFarlin Library, Documents Department, (918) 631-2874
TULSA—University of Tulsa, College of Law Library, (918) 631-2461
WEATHERFORD—Southwestern Oklahoma State University, (580) 774-3031
The federal depository libraries of Oklahoma contain many wonderful resources about American Indians. This guide is an attempt to list federal government publications and other useful publications about American Indians that are in federal depository libraries.

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DD = Documents Department, Oklahoma State University Library
GDC = Government Documents Collection, University of Oklahoma Bizzell Library
USGID = U.S. Government Information Division, Oklahoma Department of Libraries

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Legal Materials

Case Reporters and Digests, Law Encyclopedias and Dictionaries

The following libraries have numerous case reporters, digests, law encyclopedias and dictionaries.

Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries Law Library
University of Oklahoma Law Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
University of Tulsa Law Library

Indian Claims Commission Decisions (microfiche)

Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID and Law Library
University of Oklahoma Law Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian Claims Commission Accounting Claims, Briefs, Dockets, GAO/GSA Reports, Journal, Expert Witness Testimonies, and Transcripts (microfiche)

Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
University of Oklahoma Law Library
University of Tulsa Law Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian Law Reporter

University of Oklahoma Law Library
University of Tulsa Law Library

Oklahoma Tribal Court Reports

Oklahoma Department of Libraries Law Library
University of Oklahoma Law Library
University of Tulsa Law Library

Opinions of the Solicitor General, 1917-1974

University of Oklahoma Law Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Statutory Compilation of the Indian Law Survey;  
A Compendium of Federal Laws and Treaties Relating to Indians  
(also known as “Cohen’s”)  
University of Oklahoma Law Library (microfilm)  
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library (microfilm)

Constitutions and Charters

The following libraries have numerous constitutions and charters.  
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID and Oklahoma Collection  
- Oklahoma State University Library DD  
- University of Tulsa Law Library  
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian Reorganization Act Era Constitutions and Charters

Available online from the University of Oklahoma Law Library  
at thorpe.ou.edu/IRA.html

Law Reviews and Periodicals

The following libraries have numerous law reviews and periodicals.  
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Law Library, and Oklahoma Collection  
- University of Central Oklahoma Library  
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library  
- University of Tulsa Law Library  
- University of Oklahoma Law Library

American Indian Law Review

Published by the University of Oklahoma College of Law,  
and also available online at www.law.ou.edu/lawrevs/ailr  
Many depositories have this title.

American Indian Law Newsletter

Northeastern State University Library  
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

The NARF Legal Review (Native American Rights Fund)

University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Supreme Court Review
(Summary of cases pending and decided. Compiled by the National Indian Law Library.)

    University of Oklahoma Law Library
    Available online at thorpe.ou.edu/supreme.html

Statutes-at-Large and Federal Codes

    All federal depositories have the Statutes-at-Large.

Indian Tribal Codes (microfiche)

    University of Oklahoma Law Library
    University of Tulsa Law Library

Native American Legal Materials Collection (microfiche)

    University of Central Oklahoma Library
    University of Oklahoma Law Library
    University of Tulsa Law Library

Treaties

American Indian Treaties Series

    Northeastern State University Library
    Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection
    Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
    University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Kappler's Indian Affairs: Law and Treaties

    East Central University Library
    Metropolitan Library System
    Northeastern State University Library
    Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID and Oklahoma Collection
    Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
    Tulsa City-County Library
    University of Central Oklahoma Library
    University of Oklahoma Library GDC
    University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Statutes-at-Large, Volume 7 (contains treaties)

All federal depositories have the Statutes-at-Large.

Statutory Compilation of the Indian Law Survey; A Compendium of Federal Laws and Treaties Relating to Indians (also known as “Cohen’s”)

University of Oklahoma Law Library (microfilm)
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library (microfilm)

Gaming wheel and sticks.
Sacred objects from the Sioux Ghost Dance.
General Materials

Bibliographies

In addition to general bibliographies that index materials about American Indians, the following libraries have special bibliographies, such as the Guide to American Indian Documents in the Congressional Series Set: 1817-1899.

- Northeastern State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID and Oklahoma Collection
- Oklahoma State University Library DD
- University of Oklahoma Library GDC
- University of Oklahoma Law Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Bibliography of Native North Americans

- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection (online)
- University of Oklahoma Library GDC (CD-ROM)

Biographies

The following libraries have numerous biographies about American Indians.

- Metropolitan Library System
- Northeastern State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection
- University of Oklahoma Law Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Encyclopedias and Dictionaries about American Indians

- East Central University Library
- Metropolitan Library System
- Northeastern State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Law Library and Oklahoma Collection
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
- University of Oklahoma Law Library
- University of Tulsa Law Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Genealogical Materials

*Chillico Indian School Alumni Records* (CD-ROM)
  Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID and Oklahoma Collection

*Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache—various materials*
  Lawton Public Library Genealogy Collection
  Metropolitan Library System
  Northeastern State University Library

*Final Rolls of the Citizens and Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory* *(also known as the “Dawes Rolls”)*
  East Central University Library
  Lawton Public Library Genealogy Collection
  Northeastern State University Library Genealogy Collection
  Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID and Oklahoma Collection
  (The Department of Libraries also has the names of Indians who were rejected for enrollment [CD-ROM].)
  Oklahoma State University Library DD
  Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
  Tulsa City-County Library (CD-ROM)
  University of Central Oklahoma Library
  University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

*Osage Allotment Cards*
  University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Histories**

All the libraries have many general histories about American Indians.

*American Indian Research Project* (microfiche)
  University of Central Oklahoma Library

*Annual Report of the Smithsonian Institution*
  East Central University Library
  Northeastern State University Library
  Northwestern Oklahoma State University Library
Annual Report of the Superintendent of Indian Schools

Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Oklahoma State University Library DD
University of Oklahoma Library GDC
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Cherokee Nation Papers (microfilm)

Northeastern State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Contributions to North American Ethnology

Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
University of Oklahoma Library GDC
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

FBI File on the Osage Indian Murders

East Central University Library (report only)
Northeastern State University Library (report and microfilm files)
Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection (report and microfilm files)
University of Central Oklahoma Library (report only)
University of Oklahoma Law Library (report and microfilm files)
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library (report and microfilm files)

Indian Pioneer History Collection (microfilm)

Lawton Public Library Genealogy Collection
Northeastern State University Library
University of Central Oklahoma Library

Indian Pioneer Papers (microfiche)

Northeastern State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
**Indian Rights Association Papers** (microfilm)
Northeastern State University Library
University of Central Oklahoma Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Letters Received by the Office of Adjutant General, 1879–1893** (microfilm)
University of Central Oklahoma Library

**Letters Received by the Office of Indian Affairs, earliest year of 1824–to latest year of 1881**
for Arkansas Superintendency, Cherokee Agency, Creek Agency, Neosho Agency, Osage Agency, St. Louis Superintendency, Southern Superintendency, Union Agency, and Western Superintendency
(Check with libraries for specific holdings.)
Northeastern State University Library
Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**The Library of American Indian Affairs** (microfiche)
Northeastern State University Library
University of Central Oklahoma Library

**North American Indian Periodicals** (microfilm)
University of Central Oklahoma Library

**Report of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes** (annual reports)
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Oklahoma State University
University of Oklahoma GDC
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Survey of Conditions of the Indians in the United States**
Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID (microfilm)
University of Central Oklahoma Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Symposium on the American Indian (videotapes)
Northeastern State University Library

Territorial Papers of the United States
East Central University Library
Northeastern State University Library
Northwestern Oklahoma State University
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Oklahoma State University Library DD
Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
University of Oklahoma Library GDC
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

U.S. Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes Annual Reports
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Oklahoma State University Library DD
University of Oklahoma Library GDC
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

U.S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs Annual Reports
East Central University Library
Metropolitan Library System
Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Oklahoma State University Library DD
University of Central Oklahoma Library
University of Oklahoma Library GDC
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Western Americana, Frontier History of the Trans-Mississippi West (microfilm)
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Selected Periodicals About American Indians

Oklahoma’s federal depository libraries have many periodicals about American Indians from federal government agencies and other sources. This category lists only some of the more important titles. Oklahoma’s federal depository libraries have many more titles than these listed.

AIQ (formerly American Indian Quarterly)
- East Central University Library
- Northeastern State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

American Indian
- Metropolitan Library System
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

American Indian Art Magazine
- Northeastern State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection
- Tulsa City-County Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

American Indian Crafts and Culture
- Northeastern State University Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

American Indian Culture and Research Journal
- Northeastern State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Amerind Bulletin
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Amerindian (formerly titled American Indian Review)
- Metropolitan Library System
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
American Indian Journal
Northeastern State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Carlisle Arrow and Red Man
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Cherokee People, Cherokee Tribe
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Council Fire
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Five Tribes Journal
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian Affairs
Northeastern State University Library
Tulsa City-County Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian Education
Metropolitan Library System
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian Historian
East Central University Library
Northeastern State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Indian School Journal
(Chilocco Indian Agricultural School, Chilocco Indian Boarding School–Chilocco, Oklahoma)
Metropolitan Library System
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Indians at Work
Metropolitan Library System
Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

The Indian’s Friend
Northeastern State University Library (microfilm)
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Journal of American Indian Education
East Central University Library
Northeastern State University Library
Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Journal of Cherokee Studies
Northeastern State University Library
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Native Americans and Native Peoples
Tulsa City-County Library

Oklahoma Indian School Magazine
Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
Oklahoma State University Library DD
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

Sturm’s Oklahoma Magazine
Northeastern State University Library
Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
**Tribal Newspapers and Newsletters**  
(published by and/or about American Indians)

**Cherokee Advocate** (microfilm)  
Northeastern State University Library  
Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection  
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Cherokee Phoenix**  
Northeastern State University Library  
Tulsa City-County Library

**Indian Country Today**  
Northeastern State University Library  
Tulsa City-County Library

**Indian News**  
University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Inside Osage**  
Tulsa City-County Library

**Muscogee Nation News**  
Northeastern State University Library  
Tulsa City-County Library

**Native American Report**  
Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection

**Native American Times** (formerly Oklahoma Indian Times)  
Metropolitan Library System  
Northeastern State University Library  
Oklahoma Department of Libraries Oklahoma Collection  
Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library  
Tulsa City-County Library

**News from Indian Country**  
Tulsa City-County Library
U.S Bureau of American Ethnology Holdings

This is a general listing of holdings. Inquire at library for specific holdings, which may be in various formats.

**Annual Report of the BAE**
- East Central University Library
- Northeastern State University Library
- Northwestern Oklahoma State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
- Oklahoma State University Library DD
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
- Tulsa City-County Library
- University of Central Oklahoma Library
- University of Oklahoma Library GDC
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Bulletins**
- East Central University Library
- Metropolitan Library System
- Northeastern State University Library
- Northwestern Oklahoma State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID
- Oklahoma State University Library DD
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
- Tulsa City-County Library
- University of Oklahoma Library GDC
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library

**Handbook of North American Indians**  
*(original editions and/or revised editions)*
- East Central University Library
- Metropolitan Library System
- Northeastern State University Library
- Northwestern Oklahoma State University Library
- Oklahoma Department of Libraries USGID, Oklahoma Collection
- Oklahoma State University Library DD
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library
- University of Central Oklahoma Library
- University of Oklahoma Library GDC
- University of Oklahoma Law Library
- University of Tulsa Law Library
- University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
- Tulsa City-County Library

_Staff. Sacred object from the Sioux Ghost Dance._
Special Collections within Libraries
(physical and virtual)

You may find material in the following collections that you will not find in the categories listed above.

**Northeastern State University**

*Special Collections*

Website: library.nsuok.edu/Spc/index.html

Contains a wide variety of materials relating to the history and culture of the American Indians. Covers tribes throughout the U.S. and Oklahoma tribes, particularly those in the northeastern Oklahoma region. Special emphasis is placed on the Five Civilized Tribes, especially the Cherokees. Also houses American Indian language materials, almanacs, hymnals, books of the Old and New Testaments, and dictionaries. Local newspapers, maps, autographed books, and an extensive vertical file covering the era of Indian Territory, American Indian topics, and people and places is also available. A unique video collection (1975-2002) of the annual Symposium on the American Indian is also available at this collection.

**Oklahoma Department of Libraries**

*Oklahoma Collection*

Contains material on all Oklahoma tribes, works by Native American Oklahoma authors, and American Indian language materials. Also includes periodicals, newspapers, newsletters, histories, biographies, and encyclopedias with emphasis on Oklahoma and the southwest. Vertical file includes Native American materials and biographical information.

**Southeastern Oklahoma State University Library**

*Native American Collection*

Currently has about 2,500 items, including materials related to Indians of all the Americas with a focus on the tribes of the U.S. Includes dictionaries, encyclopedias, videotapes, and works by American Indian authors.

**Tulsa City-County Library**

*American Indian Collection*

Website: www.tulsalibrary.org/collections/aic/aic.htm

Currently has more than 6,300 books and media materials by and about American Indians. It also hosts educational and cultural events celebrating American Indians, and gives an annual award to an American Indian author who has made a significant contribution to contemporary literature (the first such award given to American Indian authors by a public library).
University of Oklahoma Law Library
Native American Constitution and Law Digitization Project
Website: thorpe.ou.edu/

This is a cooperative effort of the University of Oklahoma Law Library, the National Indian Law Library, and Indian tribes to provide access to constitutions, tribal codes, and other legal documents. It currently includes such materials (including some listed above) as tribal codes, charters, and constitutions, the Supreme Court Review, Cohen’s Handbook of Federal Indian Law, and Opinions of the Solicitor General.

Native People’s Collection

Currently has more than 5,000 sources in paper, microforms, videos, and CD-ROMs. Officially known as the Strickland Memorial Indian Law Collection. Has statutes and codes, cases reporters and digests, law reviews and periodicals, newsletters and newspapers, bibliographies, encyclopedias and directories, biographies, and histories.

University of Tulsa Law Library
Indigenous People’s Collection

There are over 1,000 titles in this collection, which focuses on secondary sources such as legal treatises and analyses. It also contains such microfiche collections as the U.S. Executive Branch Documents (1789-1909), has extensive American Indian videos, and a full-time librarian who specializes in American Indian legal materials.

Native American Law Collection

Contains primary sources such as treaties, tribal codes (including the Cherokee Code Annotated, Navajo Nation Code, and the Mille Lacs Statutes Annotated), constitutions, and tribal case law (including Official Reports of Cases Argued and Decided in the Supreme Court and the Southwest Intertribal Court of Appeals Reporter).

University of Tulsa McFarlin Library
Native American Collections housed within the Department of Special Collections
Website: www.lib.utulsa.edu/SpecColl/native_american.htm

The Department of Special Collections houses many special collections, including these about American Indians:

Robert Bruce–Fighting Norths and Pawnee Scouts Papers
DeWitt Lipe–Cherokee Strip Papers
Albert E. Exendine Papers
Indians of North America (resources on the Five Civilized Tribes)
Indian Claims Commission
Indian Treaties
Jim Steiner and Tony Isaacs Collection of Sound Recording of Ponca and other Indian Singers
Raymond Lasley Collection (resources on the Osage)
J.B. Milam Library of Cherokee History
J. Mora–Hopi Indian Photography Collection
Osage Allotment Cards
Dr. Philander Reeder Collection
John Rollin Ridge Collection (resources on the Cherokee)
Alice Robertson Collection
John Shleppey Collection
Gus Welch Papers
Kent Frizzell Wounded Knee Papers

Arapaho Ghost Shirt
Materials Available from Oklahoma Library Websites

American Indian Law Review
www.law.ou.edu/lawrevs/ailr

Indian Reorganization Act Era Codes, Constitutions and Charters
thorpe.ou.edu/IRA.html

Native American Constitution and Law Digitization Project
thorpe.ou.edu/

Kappler’s Indian Affairs: Law and Treaties
digital.library.okstate.edu/kappler/

Native American Law Websites
www.utulsa.edu/law/library/natam.html

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www.odl.state.ok.us/usinfo/topiclists/us-native.htm
Bow and bone-head arrows. Sacred objects from the Sioux Ghost Dance.