

Genealogy Pathfinder

for Native American Research

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If you do not already have specific family information and documents identifying specific nations, your first step is basic genealogical research. (See our [Genealogical Pathfinder for Beginners](#)). Once preliminary research is done, materials and techniques become more specialized. This handout is not comprehensive, but it will help you get started.

BACKGROUND READING IN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

American Indians Today: Answers to Your Questions U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs (1991).
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Cherokee Ancestor Research by Dick Clark (1979) GEN RR929.373 INDIAN

Ethnic Genealogy: A Research Guide GEN RR929.1 ETHNIC

"Grandmother Was an Indian Princess. How Do I Prove It?" by Larry Watson. (*Heritage Quest*, July/August 1995, pages 67-68) Copy in vertical file.

Beginning Black-Indian Genealogy – The Seminoles, by G. L. Smith (Revised 1996). GEN R929.373 A INDIANS

Our Native Americans and Their Records of Genealogical Interest, by E. Ray Kirkham (1980-84) Ga. Family & Local History has volumes 1 & 2 at GEN R929.373 INDIAN

A Guide to Native American (Indian) Research Sources at the Georgia Department of Archives and History by Robert Scott Davis, Jr. Ask at service desk.

How to Research American Indian Bloodlines: A Manual on Indian Genealogical Research, by Cecilia Svinth Carpenter (1987) Ask at service desk.

My Family Tells This Story, by Snow Flower (1999). GEN R 929.373 INDIAN

Tribal Enrollment Phoenix Office, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs (1991). Copy in vertical file.

ROLLS AND LISTS IN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

1851 Chapman Roll of the Eastern Cherokee. GEN R929.373 INDIAN

1884 Hester Roll of the Eastern Cherokee. GEN R929.373 INDIAN

Cherokee by Blood: Based on Eastern Cherokee Applications of U.S. Court of Claims 1906-1909 GEN R929.373 INDIAN

Cherokee by Blood: Based on Eastern Cherokee Applications of U.S. Court of Claims 1906-1910 GEN R929.373 INDIAN

Cherokee Pioneers, by James Manford Carselowey (1961) GEN R929.373-A INDIAN

Cherokee Planters in Georgia 1832-1838, by Don L. Shadburn (1989) GEN R929.373-A INDIAN

Cherokee Roots, by Bob Blankenship (1978) GEN R929.373-A INDIAN

Chickasaw Rolls: Annuity Rolls of 1857-1860 and the 1855 Chickasaw District Roll of 1856, by K. M. Armstrong and Bob Curry. (1995) Gen R929.373 INDIAN

Dawes Roll "Plus" of Eastern Cherokee East and West of the Mississippi 1898, by Bob Blankenship (1994) Ask at service desk.

Genealogy of "Old and New Cherokee Indian Families", by George Morrison Bell, Sr. (1979)
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Guion Roll "Plus" of Eastern Cherokee East and West of the Mississippi 1909, by Bob Blankenship (1994). Ask at service desk.

Index to the Cherokee Freedman Enrollment Cards of the Dawes Commission 1901-1906, by Jo Ann Curls Page (1996), GEN R929.373 INDIAN

Old Cherokee Families: Notes of Dr. Emmet Starr, by Emmet Starr (1987) 929.2 STARR (on 3d floor in General Collections)

Records Relating to Enrollment of the Eastern Cherokee by Guion Miller 1908-1910, National Archives Microfilm Publication M685. Available in our microform collection.

Whites Among the Cherokees: Georgia 1823-1838. GEN R929.373-A INDIAN

See also: *The Dawes Commission and the Allotment of the Five Civilized Tribes, 1893-1914*, by Kent Carter (1999). Held at service desk. Provides historical background.

JOURNALS IN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

- *The Journal of American Indian Family Research* 803 S. 5th Avenue, Yuma, AZ 85364. (We hold 1994 issues only)
- *Southeastern Native American Exchange* P.O. Box 161424, Mobile AL 36616-2424. Brochure in vertical file. We hold issues beginning with Summer 1996.

INFORMATION SOURCES OUTSIDE OUR LIBRARY

The American Indian Institute. College of Continuing Education, University of Oklahoma, 555 Constitution Street, Suite 237, Norman, OK 73072-7820. (405) 325-4127 (Descriptive brochure in vertical file.)

Bureau of Indian Affairs. The BIA website is <http://www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html>

Pan-American Indian Association. P.O. Box 244, Nocatee, FL 33864. (Description in vertical file.)

Oklahoma Historical Society. Oklahoma Historical Society 2100 N. Lincoln Blvd Oklahoma City, OK 73105 405-521-2491

Cherokee National Historical Society. Archives and Library, P.O. Box 515, Tahlequah, OK 74465-0515 Phone: 918-456-6007

SOME FINAL SUGGESTIONS

- Ask your Special Collection's librarian how to make use of Native American and other records available through LDS Family History Centers.
- There are numerous works in Special Collection's Georgia History Collection and elsewhere in the library which will provide historical background to your genealogical research.