

Literary Criticism

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Scope

This guide covers resources pertaining to Literary Criticism. The guide only lists resources available at the Robert W. Woodruff Library. For information on resources available outside of the library, please consult the Humanities Librarian.

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1. General Literary Criticism, Handbooks & Dictionaries

African American Literary Criticism, 1773 to 2000
Location: Reference PS153.N5A33 1999

Contemporary Literary Criticism
Location: Reference PN771 .C59

Contemporary Literary Critics
Location: Reference PS78.B56 1982

Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century
Location: Reference PN771.E5 1993

Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism
Location: Reference PN94 .T918

Twentieth-Century Literary Movements Dictionary
Location: Reference PN597.T94 2000

Within the Circle: an Anthology of African American Literary Criticism
Location: Main Collection Upper Level PS153.N5W58 1994

World Literary Criticism
Location: Reference PN86.D765 W927 1992

2. Short Stories

Reference Guide to Short Fiction

Location: Reference PN3373.R36 1994

Short Story Criticism

Location: Reference PN3373 .S386

3. Poetry

Critical Survey of Poetry: English Language Series

Location: Reference PR502.C85 1982

Critical survey of Poetry: Foreign Language Series

Location: Reference PN1021.C7 1984

Poetry Criticism

Location: Reference PN1010 .P499

The Poetry Handbook: a Guide to Reading Poetry for Pleasure and Practical Criticism

Location: Reference PR502.L38 1996

4. Drama

Critical Survey of Drama: English Language Series

Location: Reference PR623.C75 1985

Critical Survey of Drama: Foreign Language Series

Location: Reference PN1625.C74 1986

Guide to American Drama Explication

Location: Main Collection Upper Level Z1231.D7 O84 1995

5. Novels

Critical Survey of Long Fiction: English Language Series

Location: Reference PR821.C7 1991

Encyclopedia of the Novel

Location: Reference PN41.E487 1998

6. Plot Summaries

Masterplots II: African-American Literature Series

Location: Reference PS153.N5 M2645 1994

Masterplots II: American Fiction Series

Location: Reference PN846.M37 1986

Masterplots II: British and Commonwealth Fiction Series

Location: Reference PR881.M39 1987

Masterplots II: Drama Series

Location: Reference PN6112.5.M37 1990

Masterplots II: Nonfiction Series

Location: Reference PN44 .M345 1989

Masterplots II: Short Story Series

Location: Reference PN3326.M27 1986

Masterplots II: Women's Literature Series

Location: Reference PN471.M37 1995

Masterplots II: World Fiction Series

Location: Reference PN3326.M28 1987

Magill's Literary Annual

Location: Reference Z1219 .M33

7. Internet Resources

Internet Public Library: Literary Criticism

<http://www.ipl.org/div/litcrit/>

Literary Resources on the Net

<http://andromeda.rutgers.edu/~jlynch/Lit/>

Voice of the Shuttle

<http://vos.ucsb.edu/>**8. Library of Congress Classifications**

The following LC classification schedule, the P Class, provides an organizational scheme for materials relating to Language or Literature. General Literature materials will be found in the PN subclass. English Literature materials will be found in the PR subclass.

Subclass PN

PN 1- 6790 Literature (General)
 PN 1-9 Periodicals PN 20-30 Societies
 PN 45-57 Theory, Philosophy, Esthetics
 PN 59-72 Study and teaching PN 80-99 Criticism
 PN 101-245 Authorship
 PN 172-239 Technique, Literary composition, etc.
 PN 241 -241.5 Translating as a literary pursuit
 PN 441-1009.5 Literary history PN 1010-1525 Poetry
 PN 1530 The Monologue
 PN 1551 The Dialogue PN 3311-3503 Prose, Prose fiction
 PN 6010-6790 Collections of general literature

Subclass PR

PR 1-78 English literature-general
 PR 1-29 English literature-general
 PR 31-56 English literature-study/teaching
 PR 57-78 English literature-criticism
 PR 81-990 History of English literature
 PR 81-153 History English literature-general
 PR 161-479 History English literature by period
 PR 500-618 History English literature-poetry

PR 621-739 History English literature-drama
PR 750-888 History English literature-prose
PR 901-907 History English literature-oratory
PR 908-947 History English literature-miscellaneous
PR 951-981 History English literature-folk literature
PR 990 History English literature-juvenile literature
PR 1098-1369 Collection of English literature
PR 1098-1150 Collection English literature-general
PR 1170-1227 Collections-English poetry
PR 1241-1273 Collections-English drama
PR 1281-1309 Collections-English prose
PR 1321-1329 Collection-English oratory
PR 1330-1369 Collection English miscellaneous
PR 1490-9680 English literature
PR 1490-1799 Anglo-Saxon literature
PR 1803-2165 Anglo-Norman literature
PR 2199-3195 English literature Renaissance
PR 3291-3785 English literature 17th-18th cent
PR 3991-5990 English literature 19th cent
PR 6000-6049 English literature 1900-1960
PR 6050-6126 English literature 1961-
PR 8309-9680 English literature-local

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