Immigration and Immigrants
Good Places to Begin Your Research at the
College of Alameda Library

Check for books in the library catalog using the subject term Immigrants or under the subject term United States Emigration and Immigration. The Peralta District’s library catalog allows you to search for books at all four of the Peralta colleges, or you can limit your search to just the College of Alameda.

Encyclopedias and other reference books about immigrants and immigration can be found by browsing the reference shelves for books beginning with the call numbers E184 and E185 (ethnic groups in the U.S.) and JV 6000 – JV 9999 (immigration and emigration).

Examples:
American Immigration Reference JV6450 .A59 1999

The Library also has a set of books that give different perspectives on hot topics. This set, Opposing Viewpoints, is located in reference at HN 16 .O67. A few of the books in the set are about immigration.

To find periodical articles about immigration, a good place to start is with the following library magazine and newspaper article databases: CQ Researcher, SIRS Knowledge Source (see the listing of Leading Issues) and Expanded Academic ASAP. Ask for help at the Library Reference Desk on using these online library resources.

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