Before beginning any research on anti-racism in Canada, it is important to acknowledge that racism is a problem in Canada, both historically and presently. Further, the issue of racism and anti-racism must be recognized as a vast, complex subject. Anti-racism is not easily defined or explained, and it is a concept that continues to develop and change. Thus, this report is intended as a guide to researching anti-racism online, and is intended to enhance research on the topic of anti-racism. Researching anti-racism requires an analysis of how racism effects people in the wider structures of Canadian society, most notably in systems such as the justice system, the media, policing, immigration, employment, government, hate activity, and education.*

The possibilities for researching anti-racism has been incredibly augmented with the development of the internet and its recent establishment as an accessible research tool. Yet, pertinent information often remains inaccessible due to inadequate awareness of how to conduct research on the Internet. Thus, in order to maximize success in researching anti-racism, it is necessary to first have a basic idea of how to conduct a web search.

**Instructional Sites**

There are many instructional sites on how to use the web, and some of the most useful sites for research purposes are:

- Basic guide for researching on the net [http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/FindInfo.html](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/FindInfo.html)
- How to research on-line [http://www.w3.arizona.edu/~mss/nslinks.html](http://www.w3.arizona.edu/~mss/nslinks.html)
- Research advice from Netscape [http://www.researchbuzz.com](http://www.researchbuzz.com)
- Research Strategy [http://www.library.cornell.edu/okuref/research/skill1.htm](http://www.library.cornell.edu/okuref/research/skill1.htm)
- Searching for information on the Internet [http://www.namss.org.uk/search.htm](http://www.namss.org.uk/search.htm)
- Social Science Resources: Content to Browse [http://www.socsciiresearch.com/r2.html](http://www.socsciiresearch.com/r2.html)

**Comprehensive Search Engines**

One of the most important tools for research on the net is knowledge of the utility of various search engines. There are countless search engines, and the numbers continue to grow everyday, but some of the most effective comprehensive search engines are:

- A list of search tools [http://dfield.epsb.edmonton.ab.ca/srch.htm](http://dfield.epsb.edmonton.ab.ca/srch.htm)
Anti-Racism Research Strategy

The problem of inaccessible information of the Internet becomes magnified when one attempts to research an area as complex, and nebulous, as anti-racism. The first problem arises as a result of the concept of anti-racism itself, as it remains a concept that is not easily defined or universally adopted. Thus, to increase success of research, researchers must not restrict searches to the term "anti-racism." Some terms that are often indicators that a site deals with the concept of anti-racism are:


Anti-Racism Search Engines

In addition to comprehensive, general search engines, there are many sites that specifically address the issue of anti-racism. These sites consist of both government sites and non-governmental organizations' sites. These sites are probably the most effective means of gaining very specific information about an anti-racism issue. Some of the most useful sites are:

Access to Justice Network- bilingual - Search by subject
http://www.acjnet.org/cgi-bin/legal/legal.pl?lkey=ai&ckey=socwelf&tkey=subjects

African Studies
http://www.sfu.ca/~sfpirg/Links/african.html

Anti-Racism Research Centre
http://www.wpunj.edu/~irt/courses/soc630/explore2.htm

Bibliography of Anti-Racism Education
http://www.goshen.edu/~kevinps/antiracism.html

Bibliography on Anti-Racist research
http://www.pocho.com/racism/index.html

Canadian Centre for Multicultural and Intercultural Education -bilingual-
http://www.ccmie.com/

Canadian Heritage -bilingual-
http://www.pch.gc.ca/english.htm

Canadian Race Relations Foundation -bilingual-
http://www.crr.ca

Communauté urbaine de Montréal
http://www.cum.qc.ca/cum-fr/aff-corp/acsrcorf.htm

Critical Canadian page of Anti-Racism links
http://www.hillel.montreal.qc.ca/hatred1_frame.html

Ensemble contre le racisme
http://www.antiracisme.org/

Holocaust Related Anti-Racism
http://www.vwc.edu/library_tech/wwwpages/dgraf/holocaus.htm

Indigenous Peoples
http://www.sfu.ca/~sfpirg/Links/indigenous.html

International Multicultural Sites
http://curry.edschool.virginia.edu/go/multicultural/sites/anti-sites.html

McMaster University Anti-Racist sites
http://www.socsci.mcmaster.ca/EJS/VLIB/race.html

Media Awareness Network -bilingual- http://www.media-awareness.ca/eng/med/comm/ywca/action/advocacy.htm

Media Net
http://www.mnet.ch/

National Library of Canada database- bilingual-
http://www.nlc-bnc.ca/fhome.htm

National Library of Canada -bilingual-
http://www.nlc-bnc.ca/confed/fblacks.htm


Public Service Commission of Canada-bilingual-
http://www.psc-cfp.gc.ca/dmd/dmdf1.htm

Queen's University links to anti-racist research
http://www.hr.queensu.ca/staff-rel/Equity/equity/rac_ind.htm

The Multicultural Pavilion
http://curry.edschool.virginia.edu/go/multicultural

The WWW V-Lib: Migration and Ethnic Relations / Complete List of Resources
http://www.ercomer.org/wwwvl
Evaluating Electronic Information

There are many other sites that will contain information on Anti-Racism. However, it is important to be critical in assessing the information that these sites present, and to remember that these sites may contain biased or unauthoritative material. Before using any information, it is important to consider the legitimacy of the source. Some methods for evaluating web sites can be found at the following locations:

The Virtual Chase: Information Quality on the Internet: A Checklist

How to Critically Analyze Information Sources:
http://www.library.cornell.edu/okuref/research/skill26.htm

Web Awareness
http://www.webawareness.org

* For more information on the concept of Racism see "Acknowledging and Defining Racism."