A North Carolina History Online Resource

This online textbook is designed for grade 8 and up and covers all of North Carolina history, from the arrival of the first people some 12,000 years ago to the 21st century. The textbook is organized into eleven chapters, presented chronologically and thematically, and includes secondary source readings, primary sources and multimedia. The resource is designed to model historical inquiry and help students build critical thinking and literacy skills.

What's new in ANCHOR?

During 2020, all new content has been added relevant to the 20th century and recent North Carolina history chapters. These new pages include relevant primary sources and related historical materials, along with numerous classroom and student activities. Lesson plans have also been included from project partners at Carolina K-12 at Carolina Public Humanities at the University of North Carolina. Please visit these new resources and add them to your classroom toolkit.

- The Women of Bennett College: Unsung Heroes of the Civil Rights Movement
- Religion and the Civil Rights Movement: Malcolm X Visits North Carolina in 1963
- The Wilmington Massacre of November 1898: Correcting the Historical Record
- African American Involvement in World War I: The Great War and Global Change
- Economic Change: From Traditional Industries to the 21st Century Economy
- Black Student Activism in the 1920s and 1930s: Sparking a Century of Challenges and Change
- The NAACP in North Carolina: One Way or Another
- Alone but not afraid: Sarah Keys v. Carolina Coach Company
- Pauli Murray and 20th Century Freedom Movements: Principled Persistence
- W. Kerr Scott: From Dairy Farmer to Transforming North Carolina Business and Politics
- The Harriet-Henderson Textile Workers Union Strike: Defeat for Southern Labor Unions
- Robert F. Williams and Black Power in North Carolina: Leadership and Sacrifice
- Senator Sam Ervin: Interpreting Historical Figures
- Governor Terry Sanford: Transforming the Tar Heel State with Progressive Politics and Policies
- Natural Disasters and North Carolina in the second half of the 20th Century

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