

# Primary Source Sets LibGuide

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This guide contains primary sources from UNI Museum and Special Collections & University Archives at Rod Library. This guide is intended to provide information about using primary sources in the PK-12 classroom for teachers and students alike.

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- [Activity Ideas](#)  
Activity ideas for grades K-6 aligned with the Iowa Social Studies Standards.
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A general overview of women's history in the United States.
- [Palczewski Suffrage Postcard Archive](#)  
Collection of historic postcards related to Women's Suffrage.
- [Women's History Month](#)  
Teacher resources assembled by various federal agencies.

### Women's History

Women's history is the exploration of women's roles in all facets of life - including labor, politics, education, culture, and more - over time. Their experiences have not always been well documented, however, as historical narratives often focus on male experience. These materials provide documentary evidence of women's roles in and contributions to various causes and events, as well as items that display information and messages designed for female audiences, with a particular emphasis on activity at UNI and in the region.

Many items below come from various collections within Special Collections & University Archives. Finding aids to specific collections are linked below.

- [WAVES Collections, 20/03/03](#)
- [Associated Women Students, 17/02/06](#)
- [WAVES on Campus in ScholarWorks](#)  
Many photographs, newspapers, magazines, and other documents related to the WAVES at ISTC have been digitized and are available in UNI's institutional repository, ScholarWorks.
- [Women's League, 17/02/02](#)

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#### Photograph

Photograph of a WAVES (Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service) cadet saluting. The WAVES initiative, instated in WWI and WWII, allowed women to enroll in the Navy for the duration of the war. The campus at Iowa State Teachers College (now UNI) served as a training facility for WAVES. From the WAVES Collections, 20/03/03.



#### Newspaper Article

Newspaper article and cartoon about the WAVES second birthday. From the WAVES Collections, 20/03/03. Published in *The IOWAVE*, Vol II No 26, June 30, 1944.



#### Cartoon

Cartoon in WAVES newspaper, *The IOWAVE*, about life in Bartlett Hall for WAVES cadets. From the WAVES Collections, 20/03/03. Published in *The IOWAVE*, Vol III No 19, April 14, 1945.



#### Magazine

The Navy Week 1943 issue of the WAVES class magazine describing life as a WAVES cadet in Cedar Falls in 1943. From the WAVES Collections, 20/03/03.



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Below this are a selection of primary sources. These are digitized versions of objects found in our collections. The caption below the image contains information about the object, including what collection it belongs to if you want to find more objects like it. This information will also be helpful as you cite your sources.

Clicking on an individual object will provide you with a larger version of the image that can be downloaded for personal or educational use. If the object is a multi-page document, the large version will include all pages so that it can be read in its entirety.

Along the left hand side of the page are links to additional resources, including an FAQ about the collection and activity ideas.

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