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Minority Health and Health Equity Archive

Welcome to The Minority Health and Health Equity Archive, an electronic archive for digital resource materials in the fields of minority health and health disparities research and policy. It is offered as a no-charge resource to the public, academic scholars and health science researchers interested in the elimination of racial and ethnic health disparities.

The goal of the Archive is to advance the use of new digital technologies to promote trans-disciplinary scholarship on race, ethnicity and disparities research designed to achieve health equity. The Archive will help facilitate the rapid dissemination of new work in the professional literature as well as the gray literature including, but not limited to, historical documents, government resources, teaching tools and commentary. Authors who wish to post papers to the Archive should first consult the [Archive Policy](#).

The archive offers a category called "Browse By Subject" intended as a convenience to those searching for information regarding specific topical areas. Additionally, this method offers a convenient way for you to review our content "at a glance", as you evaluate your own documents for contribution as relevant to the current structure of the archive.

Currently, our archive contents include materials which have been listed in the following subject domains:

- [Government Publications \(including reports and publications from the National Institutes of Health, State Departments of Public Health, the US Department of Health and Human Services, and the national Office of Minority Health\)](#).
- Health (including specific health areas such as [Disparities](#), [Global Health](#), [Health Equity](#), [Access To Healthcare](#), [Access To Healthy Foods](#), [Bioethics](#), [Nutrition](#), [Policy](#), and [Prenatal and Pediatric Health](#))
- Public Health (including material on specific chronic illnesses and health risk factors such as [Cancer](#), [Cardiovascular Disease](#), [Diabetes](#), [HIV/Aids](#), [Hypertension](#), [Mental Health](#), [Obesity](#), [Health Risk Factors](#)).
- [Practice](#) (interventions, outreach, and service)
- [Research](#) (Capacity Development, Genetics, methodologies, studies)
- Teaching (Risk Management, Community Redevelopment, methods)

Posting to this area is restricted to those registered as users. All visitors of the Archive may become a registered user by going to the registered users area and completing the [online registration form](#). All content posted to the archive can be read by all users of the archive, whether or not they become registered users.

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- [The Maryland Center for Health Equity, School of Public Health, University of Maryland College Park](#)
- [University Library System, University of Pittsburgh](#)

Statistics

- There are currently **2585** articles available in this archive.

Minority Health and Health Equity Archive supports [OAI 2.0](#) with a base URL of <http://health-equity.pitt.edu/cgi/oai2>

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About the Archive

History

The Minority Health and Health Equity Archive was originally founded in 2004 as the Minority Health Archive by Dr. Stephen B. Thomas in collaboration with the Center for Minority Health and the University Library System at the University of Pittsburgh to serve as an online repository of print and electronic media related to the health of the four nationally recognized minority groups in the United States: African American/Black, Native American, Hispanic/Latino, and Asian American/Pacific Islander ([See the NIH policy on reporting race and ethnicity data for subjects in clinical research, NOTICE NOT-OD-01-053](#)).

Since its creation, the [University Library System](#), University of Pittsburgh (ULS) has provided technical and material support for the Minority Health and Health Equity Archive in its ongoing commitment to free and open access to scholarly research material. In 2011, the editorship of the Archive moved from the University of Pittsburgh's Center for Minority Health to the University of Maryland [Center for Health Equity](#), established November 2010 under the direction of Dr. Stephen B. Thomas. The Archive continues to be hosted by the University Library System, University of Pittsburgh as part of its part of its [D-Scribe Digital Publishing](#) program.






Contents of the Minority Health and Health Equity Archive

The Minority Health and Health Equity Archive has a goal to be the primary repository and archive for all materials related to minority health. Therefore, materials submitted to the Minority Health and Health Equity Archive must deal with or relate to the health of the minority racial/ethnic groups in the United States (Black/African American, Native American, Native Hawaiian, Latino/Hispanic, and Asian American/Pacific Islander). The materials submitted can be about the general health, current research involving, or health disparities among any of these particular groups as well as materials related to the major contributors and contributions to the field of minority health. Materials can include journal articles, web-based materials, government documents, books, book chapters, conference proceedings, conference papers, course outlines, events/presentations, images, pre-prints,theses/dissertations, and other materials relevant to our goal.

Administration and Support

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Policies

Metadata Policy

for information describing items in the repository

1. Anyone may access the metadata free of charge.
2. The metadata may be re-used in any medium without prior permission for not-for-profit purposes and re-sold commercially provided the OAI Identifier or a link to the original metadata record are given.

Data Policy

for full-text and other full data items

1. Anyone may access full items free of charge.
2. No full-item re-use policy defined. Assume no rights at all have been granted.

Content Policy

for types of document & data set held

1. This is a multi-institution subject-based repository.
2. No content policy defined.

Submission Policy

concerning depositors, quality & copyright

1. Items may only be deposited by accredited members of the subject community
2. Eligible depositors must deposit bibliographic metadata for all their publications.
3. The administrator only vets items for relevance to the scope of Minority Health and Health Equity Archive, and the exclusion of spam
4. The validity and authenticity of the content of submissions is the sole responsibility of the depositor.
5. No embargo policy defined.
6. Any copyright violations are entirely the responsibility of the authors/depositors.
7. If Minority Health and Health Equity Archive receives proof of copyright violation, the relevant item will be removed immediately.
8. For more information see webpage: <http://health-equity.pitt.edu/policy.html>

Preservation Policy

1. Items will be retained indefinitely.
2. Minority Health and Health Equity Archive will try to ensure continued readability and accessibility.
 - It may not be possible to guarantee the readability of some unusual file formats.
3. Minority Health and Health Equity Archive regularly backs up its files according to current best practice.
4. Items may not normally be removed from Minority Health and Health Equity Archive.
5. Acceptable reasons for withdrawal include:
 - Proven copyright violation or plagiarism
 - Legal requirements and proven violations
 - National Security
 - Falsified research
6. Withdrawn items are not deleted *per se*, but are removed from public view.
7. Withdrawn items' identifiers/URLs are retained indefinitely.
8. URLs will continue to point to 'tombstone' citations, to avoid broken links and to retain item histories.
9. The metadata of withdrawn items will not be searchable.
10. *Errata* and *corrigenda* lists may be included with the original record if required.
11. If necessary, an updated version may be deposited.
12. No closure policy defined.
13. For more information see webpage: <http://health-equity.pitt.edu/policy.html>



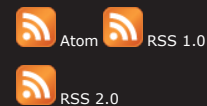
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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Minority Health Archive?

The Minority Health Archive, created in collaboration with the Center for Minority Health and the University Library System at the University of Pittsburgh, is an online repository of various print and/or electronic media related to the health of the four nationally recognized racial groups (Blacks/African Americans, Native Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, and Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders). The Minority Health Archive provides the opportunity to not only research and gather various documents in a variety of subject areas, but also a resource to deposit other related materials not already posted to the archive.

Who has access to the Minority Health Archive?

Anyone can access the information in the archive. However, registration is required if one wants to submit resources to be posted to the archive, or receive automatic e-mails notifying you of new content in the Archive. To register, from the home page, <http://minority-health.pitt.edu>, click on the Register link in the top menu bar. Follow the instructions to fill out the online registration form. You will receive a confirmation e-mail with a link to follow in order to finalize the registration process.

What kind of information can be included in the Archive?

Materials submitted to the Minority Health Archive must deal with or relate to the health of the minority racial/ethnic groups in the United States (Black/African American, Native American, Native Hawaiian, Latino/Hispanic, and Asian American/Pacific Islander). The materials submitted can be about the general health, current research involving, or health disparities among any of these particular groups as well as materials related to the major contributors and contributions to the field of minority health.

Materials can include journal articles, web-based materials, government documents, books, book chapters, conference proceedings, conference papers, course outlines, events/presentations, images, pre-prints, theses/dissertations, and other materials relevant to our goal.

Can I submit an article or other document to the Archive? If so, how?

Yes any registered user can submit new documents to the Archive. In order to post a resource, registration is required. To register, from the home page, <http://minority-health.pitt.edu>, click on the Register link in the top menu bar. Follow the instructions to fill out the online registration form. You will receive a confirmation e-mail with a link to follow in order to finalize the registration process.

To post a resource to the archive, click on the Registered Users Area link. A window will open prompting you to sign in with a user name and password. If you have not already registered, click on Cancel and then click on the Register link on the main page. Follow steps mentioned above. Once you have signed in, you will be taken to your user area homepage, which is denoted with your name at the top of the page. Several items appear in your workspace. All links have descriptions below them for you to understand each purpose. You will also find a blank box entitled, Documents in your Workspace, with several buttons below it. This box holds all of the documents that you are working on, but have not submitted. Below the Documents in your Workspace box, there is a section called Pending Items. In this area, those documents that you have submitted for approval will appear here until they have been approved or denied.

To begin posting a new resource, click the New button. You will then be asked to choose the type of media you are posting. Most are self explanatory, but Journal (Paginated) is the form for journal articles. If the

choices available do not best describe the type of media you want to post choose Other. Each type presents a form specific to citation format for that type of media. All have a specific set of required information needed in order to proceed. If you find that you do not have any of the required information, try Other. Other offers all the options for all of the forms with less required information. Once you have chosen a type, then click the Next button. (Note: If you start a new deposit and then cancel, the deposit will appear in your Documents in your Workspace box as Untitled with a number (i.e., Untitled 134). You can choose to reuse it by highlighting the Untitled document and then clicking Edit or you can delete it by highlighting the Untitled document and clicking delete.) After you click the Next button, you will be taken to the Bibliographic Information page. Follow directions and be sure to complete all required fields indicated with a red asterisk (*). When you have completed this form, then click the Next button.

The following page is the Document Information page. Here choose the type of electronic format of your document/resource. For Word or any other standard text documents choose ASCII. You may also offer an additional brief description of the format in the text box below the choices. Then click the Next button. You will then be taken to the Document File Upload page. There, choose what method you would like to use to upload, and then choose how many uploads you will be making. (Typically, there will only be one uploaded file.) Once you have indicated the method and the number to upload, click the Upload button.

The following page will be Document File Upload. Here it will show you what you have just uploaded and allow you to upload another document. You are also able to preview what you uploaded before proceeding to the next step. If all is correct and you are finished, then click the Finished button. Now you will be taken to the Document Storage Formats page which will show you what format of the document you just uploaded and how many. Here you may again add a document or continue by clicking the Next button.

The final step in the process of submitting a document or resource is to verify all the information in the deposit you just made. You will see two versions of how your deposit will appear. The first version (in a gray box) is how it will appear in the archive upon approval. The second version is how it will appear to the editorial staff. Double check your deposit for grammatical errors and missing information. If you need to make any changes just click the Back button until you reach the page that you need to make the edit. If you want to wait to make your deposit, click the Deposit EPrint Later button. This button will place the deposit in your workspace for later action. If all is complete and you are ready to submit, click the Deposit EPrint Now button. This will take you to a Thank You page which gives you a brief description of the approval process. From this page there is a link that will take you back to your workspace.

For materials that have been submitted for posting to the archive, there may be a 2-3 week evaluation period to verify permissions related to the source before posting to the archive.

Is the Minority Health Archive a searchable database?

Yes.

To Search From the home page <http://minority-health.pitt.edu>, choose any of the hyperlinks indicating Search. You may perform either a simple or advanced search. The simple search allows you to search by title/keyword, author(s)/editor(s), or year. The advanced search allows you to search the same categories as simple search as well as by subject, Eprint Type (book, journal (paginated)-journal article, conference proceedings, etc), conference, department, and publication. You can also choose how you want the result to appear by using the drop down menu.

To Browse From the home page <http://minority-health.pitt.edu>, choose any of the hyperlinks indicating Browse. One may browse by subject (i.e., research, health, etc), by year, or the Pioneer Collections. Just click on the links that are of interest to you. You can also choose how you want the result to appear by using the drop down menu. (The Pioneer Collection, which will recognize major pioneers in the field of minority health, is currently under development; therefore no information is available on any of these links. We expect for this to be fully open by Summer 2006.)

How do I search for a particular author, topic, or journal?

From the home page <http://minority-health.pitt.edu>, choose any of the hyperlinks indicating Search. You

may perform either a simple or advanced search. The simple search allows you to search by title/keyword, author(s)/editor(s), or year. The advanced search allows you to search the same categories as simple search as well as by subject, Eprint Type (book, journal (paginated)-journal article, conference proceedings, etc), conference, department, and publication. You can also choose how you want the result to appear by using the drop down menu.

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How does the archive differ from a journal?

A journal publishes material that has passed scrutiny by referees and has been edited by the editorial staff to bring it to the journal standards. The archive does not referee postings and does not edit them. The archive merely filters minimally to assure relevance to philosophy of science.

May we submit material to the archive that has appeared elsewhere? The archive does not require or expect that material has not appeared elsewhere. However, if it has appeared elsewhere, the author must determine whether copyright was transferred from the author and whether the copyright agreement allows posting on the archive. While we do not object to duplication, the other source may.

Do I lose copyright privileges when I submit a document to the archive?

No. Works contributed to the archive remain fully protected by US and other copyright laws. Under US copyright law, your work is under copyright protection the moment it is created and fixed in a tangible form. Even though the copyright for your work may not be registered, you are encouraged to assert your copyright on the title page of your work. For more information, see <http://www.copyright.gov>.

Will posting on the archive affect subsequent attempts to publish in a journal?

This is a matter for the individual journals to decide. These policies are in flux with the trend towards greater tolerance.

If I post a preprint on the archive and then publish it in a journal or volume, can I leave the preprint on the archive?

Individual journal policies vary on this question. Whatever the policy, the authoritative document is the copyright agreement you sign with the publisher. If that agreement requires you to remove the posted preprint, you should be notifying us at minority-health@library.pitt.edu.

May I remove a preprint once it is posted?

Yes. Papers can be removed. Unfortunately the archive does not allow you to remove papers automatically. Removal is initiated with a removal request, accessible through the links "Deposit Papers" --> "Review your documents in the archive". Archive staff will then remove the paper as quickly as possible, typically within one business day. All requests for removal will be honored, although we encourage you to leave preprints posted for stability of the archive's contents.

Is there any special connection between the archive and any other journals?

The archive is sponsored solely by the University of Pittsburgh Center for Minority Health, which is an academic center in the Graduate School of Public Health. The archive is not affiliated with any journal.

How long does it take after a preprint is deposited with the archive for the preprint to become available to the public?

Allow until the end of the next business day following the day the deposit is made. When a preprint is deposited, it immediately gets sent to our "submission buffer" where a staff member does a quick routine check of the preprint's suitability for Minority Health Archive. The paper is then publicly accessible via a search, though it may not appear immediately in the "browse tree" which is updated routinely.

Can I link to the Minority Health Archive from my Website?

Yes, we encourage linkages to our site. Use this URL for the link: <http://minority-health.pitt.edu>

The footer banner is a dark horizontal strip containing several elements. On the left, there is the University of Pittsburgh logo and text, followed by the ULS D-Scribe logo. Below these is a line of text: "This site is hosted by the University Library System of the University of Pittsburgh as part of its D-Scribe Digital Publishing Program". In the center, there is a logo for the University of Maryland Center for Health Equity. To the right of this logo is a "Share" section with icons for a plus sign, Facebook, Twitter, email, and a printer. Further right is a "Feeds" section with icons for Atom, RSS 1.0, and RSS 2.0.