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Resources for Teaching Native American History

Books:

Colin Calloway, First Peoples: A Documentary Survey of American Indian History

-textbook; survey of Native history from origins to present; includes primary documents

Richard Townsend and Robert Sharp, Hero, Hawk, and Open Hand: American Indian Art of the Ancient Midwest and South

-accessible; beautifully illustrated; covers pre-Columbian art and archaeology

Daniel Richter, Facing East from Indian Country: A Native History of Early America

-Native-centric history of Eastern North America up to Revolutionary Era

Colin Calloway, One Vast Winter Count: The Native American West before Lewis and Clark

-survey of the Native history of the early West

Theda Perdue, Cherokee Women: Gender and Culture Change, 1700-1835

-probably the best book on gender and Native Americans

James H. Merrell, The Indians' New World: Catawbas and their Neighbors from European Contact through the Era of Removal

-colonialism; Southeast

Daniel Richter, The Ordeal of the Longhouse: The Peoples of the Iroquois League in the Era of European Colonization

-colonialism; Northeast

Richard White, The Middle Ground: Indians, Empires, and Republics in the GreatLakes Region, 1650-1815

-colonialism; Great Lakes

Gregory Evans Dowd, A Spirited Resistance: The North American Indian Struggle for Unity, 1745-1815

-spirituality; pan-Indianism

Philip J. Deloria, Indians in Unexpected Places

-covers Indians and modernity in the U.S.; excellent way to understand and discuss the origins of Indian stereotypes in American popular culture.

Websites:

Indian Country Today, the nation's largest Indian-run newspaper:
<http://www.indiancountrytoday.com/>

National Museum of the American Indian, includes educational resources:
<http://www.nmai.si.edu/>

Treaties compiled and edited by Charles Kappler, includes hundreds of full-text treaties, organized by tribe:
<http://digital.library.okstate.edu/kappler/Vol2/Toc.htm>

Digital edition of McKenney and Hall's famous book of Indian portraits (early to mid 19th century):
<http://content.lib.washington.edu/mckenneyhallweb/index.html>

Early American Image Collection—includes Native images—from the John Carter Brown Library:
http://www.brown.edu/Facilities/John_Carter_Brown_Library/pages/ea_hmpg.html

Edward Curtis's photograph collections (late 19th, early 20th c.), organized by culture area:
<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/award98/ienhtml/curthome.html>

Theodore de Bry engravings based on John White's 1580s drawings from Roanoke Colony:
<http://www.lib.unc.edu/dc/debry/>