Political Extremism and Radicalism in the Twentieth Century: Far-Right and Left Political Groups in the US, Europe and Australia

With a range of content focused on political extremism and radical thought, this archive will contain over 600,000 pages of content. One of the first digital archives on far-right and left political groups, it offers a diverse range of content, including campaign materials, propaganda, government records and various ephemera that allow researchers to explore extremism and radicalism in new and innovative ways.
EXPLORE THE DEVELOPMENT, ACTIONS AND IDEOLOGIES BEHIND TWENTIETH CENTURY EXTREMISM AND RADICALISM

The archive combines content on far-right and fascist movements, alongside significant coverage of radical left groups, allowing researchers to access material from both sides, and providing points for comparison. Researchers in contemporary topics will also find value in the content, allowing them to explore the origins and development of present-day issues, including the resurgence of right-wing politics, evolution of various civil rights movements and the nature of extreme or radical political thought.

It will be valuable to researchers in international and European history, politics, international relations and government studies, as well as a much wider application, to gender studies, sociology, psychology and religious studies.

THE SOURCE ARCHIVES ARE:

The Searchlight Archive held at the University of Northampton in the UK, consists of documents from Searchlight Associates, an information service founded in 1967 that aimed to expose racist and fascist groups, along with the accompanying Searchlight magazine.

The National Archives in the UK, digitising secret service and home office documents relating to inter- and post-war British fascist and communist movements.

The American Radicalism Collection at Michigan State University, a collection of ephemera on radical political groups across a range of extremist and radical movements, including those involved in religion, race, gender, the environment, and equal rights.

Hall-Hoag Collection of Dissenting and Extremist Printed Propaganda, John Hay Library at Brown University contains printed propaganda from US anti-integrationist, anti-Semitic and racist groups.

A MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESOURCE

- American Studies and American History
- Arts and Culture
- British Studies and British History
- Contemporary History
- European Studies and European History
- International Studies and International History
- Politics and Political History
- Social Studies and Social History

FEATURES AND TOOLS

Term Frequency
See the frequency of search terms within a content set to begin assessing interactions and how they developed over time.

Term Clusters
Developing research topics by identifying and organising frequently occurring themes, and revealing hidden relationships between search terms.

Text & Data Mining
At request, Gale will deliver data and metadata associated with the collection for use in data mining and textual analysis, supporting the digital humanities.