



NYSL Collections That Are Not in the Library's Online Catalog

Some of the collections held by the New York State Library are not listed in Excelsior, the Library's online catalog. In addition, about 25% of the titles found in Excelsior are not in OCLC WorldCat. Listed below are the major collections not in Excelsior.

Census Microfilm

The State Library has microfilm of the US Census population schedules for NYS from 1790 - 1930, US Census special schedules (agriculture; industry/manufactures; mortality; social statistics; and defective dependent and delinquent classes) and New York State Census population schedules from 1825 - 1925. Finding aids to the census microfilm can be found on the NYSL website at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/genealogy/fedcen.htm> and <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/genealogy/nyscens.htm>

City Directories and Telephone Books

The State Library has a large collection of city directories and telephone books from throughout the US. A finding aid listing city directories and telephone books available in microfilm and microfiche is available on the NYSL website at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/genealogy/citydir.htm>. The hard copy collection of city directories and telephone books will be added to the finding aid on the NYSL website.

Federal Documents

As the New York State regional depository for United States government publications, the State Library receives and permanently keeps a copy of every document distributed under the Government Printing Office Depository Library Program. While many of the Federal documents are listed on Excelsior, there are older Federal Documents that are not on Excelsior. The State Library also owns a number of commercially produced sets of federal documents including the Readex collection of depository and non-depository materials, NASA publications on microfiche, etc. The individual titles in many of these commercially produced collections are not listed on Excelsior.

Historical Maps

The State Library's cartographic collection contains material concerning the geography, history and geology of New York State and the United States and ranges from the earliest maps of NYS to contemporary maps with historical value. An overview of the collection is on the NYSL website <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/mssc/maps.htm>. There is an ongoing project

to catalog these maps. Current access to these maps is through onsite card files. Staff in the Manuscripts & Special Collection Unit can assist customers with access to these maps.

Industry Standards and Specifications

The State Library has a large collection of current and superseded industry, military and federal standards and specifications. The focus of the collection is standards issued by the US government, US organizations and US industry groups. The collection also includes some ISO and IEC standards. A small number of standards and specifications are listed on the online catalog.

Law Collections

As the State Law Library, the NYSL collects heavily in the area of New York State law, but also collects law-related materials from other states and federal law. While many of the law collections are listed in Excelsior, there are some law collections that are not in the online catalog, such as the large collection of NYS records & briefs; superseded McKinney's Consolidated Law of New York; superseded NYCRR; and statutes and reporters from states other than NY.

Manuscripts

New York State history is the major emphasis of the manuscripts collection with materials dating from the 17th century to the present. The collection includes the papers and records of individuals and organizations for most subjects, including social, art, political, military, family, environmental, religious, literary, and scientific history. Many of these materials are not cataloged on Excelsior, but finding aids to the major manuscript collections are available on the NYSL website at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/msscfa/>. Staff in the Manuscripts & Special Collection Unit can assist customers with access to the manuscript collections.

Medical Journals

The State Library has a large collection of older medical journals with dates ranging from the 1800s to the early/mid 1900s that are not on Excelsior. A project is currently being conducted to review and catalog these journals.

Microfilm and Microfiche Commercial Sets

The State Library owns a large number of commercial microform collections on a variety of topics. In most cases, there is a record in Excelsior for each collection as a whole, but the individual titles in many of the microfilm/microfiche commercial sets do not have records on Excelsior. Examples of some of the major microform collections with individual titles not listed on Excelsior include: ERIC, NTIS, Civil War Unit Histories, etc.

New York State Documents

As the repository of official State publications since its creation in 1818, the State Library has the world's largest collection of New York State documents. Many of the titles in the

NYS Documents collection can be found on Excelsior, including digitized documents, but there still are a large number of older NYS documents not listed on Excelsior.

Postcards

The New York State Library Postcard collection comprises over 10,000 postcards of New York State ranging in date from the late nineteenth century to the present day with the bulk dated from 1905 to 1930. A finding aid to this collection is available on the NYSL website at <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/msscfa/qc16510.htm>.

Prints

The Library's print collection includes pictorial materials related to the history and social life of New York State, with the bulk consisting of 19th century prints. The collection also includes many photographs, such as the Photograph Collection of the Delaware and Hudson Railway, Seneca Ray Stoddard photographs of the Adirondacks, and photo collections of the Hudson Valley and Catskill region. There is some original art as well, including drawings by Native Americans Jesse Cornplanter and Howling Wolf. A small number of these items are listed on Excelsior. Current access to the prints is through onsite card files. Staff in the Manuscripts & Special Collection Unit can assist customers with access to the print collection.

Sheet Music

One of the NYSL's largest special collections is sheet music. There are approximately 35,000 musical scores, dating from the 1790s to the 1970s. The range of subjects is very broad, although the principal emphasis of the collection is on New York State history and imprints.

Zines

The State Library has an extensive "zines" collection dated ca. 1985-1992 housed in the Factsheet Five Collection. About $\frac{1}{4}$ titles in the Factsheet Five collection are listed on Excelsior. Staff in the Manuscripts & Special Collection Unit can assist customers with access to the Factsheet Five collection.