

## *Teaching Mathematics with Primary Historical Sources: A Curated Bibliography*

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### **Selected online resources**

TRansforming Instruction in Undergraduate Mathematics via Primary Historical Sources (TRIUMPHS) website:

<https://blogs.ursinus.edu/triumphs/>

Provides access to the TRIUMPHS (Transforming Instruction in Undergraduate Mathematics via Primary Historical Sources) database of classroom-ready PSPs (Primary Source Projects) and mini-PSPs, and information on allied publications and presentations

Learning Discrete Mathematics and Computer Science via Primary Historical Sources website:

<http://www.cs.nmsu.edu/historical-projects/>

Information connected to the 2008-2011 NSF grant project which was the “parent” of TRIUMPHS, with similar but more focused curricular goals; includes 20 classroom-tested Primary Source Projects

Teaching Discrete Mathematics via Primary Historical Sources website:

[https://www.math.nmsu.edu/hist\\_projects/](https://www.math.nmsu.edu/hist_projects/)

Information connected to the 2005-2006 NSF grant project which was the “grandparent” of TRIUMPHS, with similar but more focused curricular goals; includes 16 classroom-tested Primary Source Projects

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