

**Obtain
and search the
record**



**Family history is
a repeatable
process**



Select records to search

- **Search the internet for records provided by**
 - **Volunteers and researchers**
 - **Government**
 - **Commercial ventures**



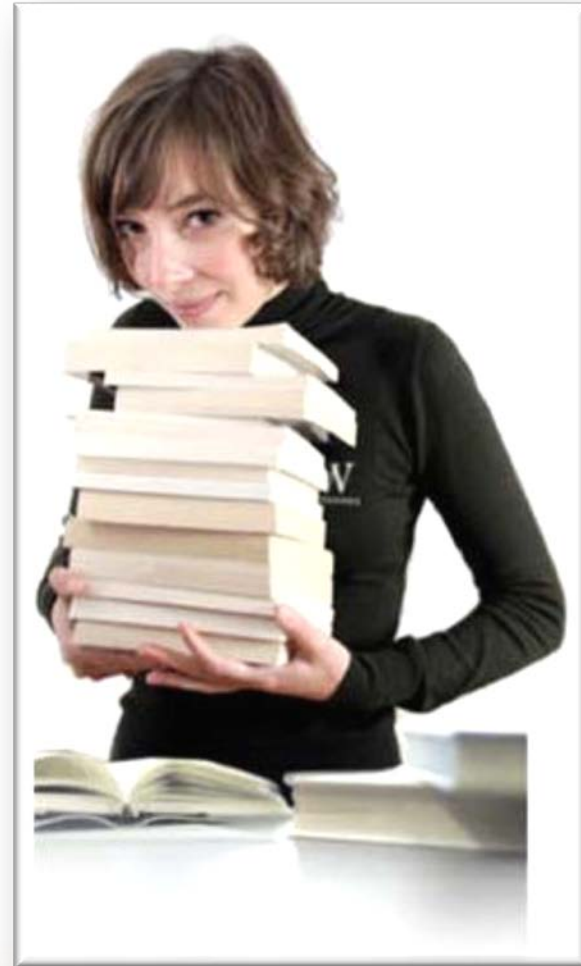
Select records to search

- **Search for and obtain records from**
 - **Family History Library**
 - **Family History Centers (microfilm loan program)**
 - **Local libraries (inter-library loan program)**
 - **Genealogical and historical societies**
 - **Court houses and archives**
 - **Published material (e.g., books, magazines)**



Select records to search

- **Professional researchers**



Select records to search

- When possible search original records vs. abstracts (compilations of original documents)
- Why original records?
 - Errors interpreting handwriting
 - Omissions in indexes and transcriptions
 - Variations in spellings



Record your findings

- **Take notes, make photocopies, print out Web pages**



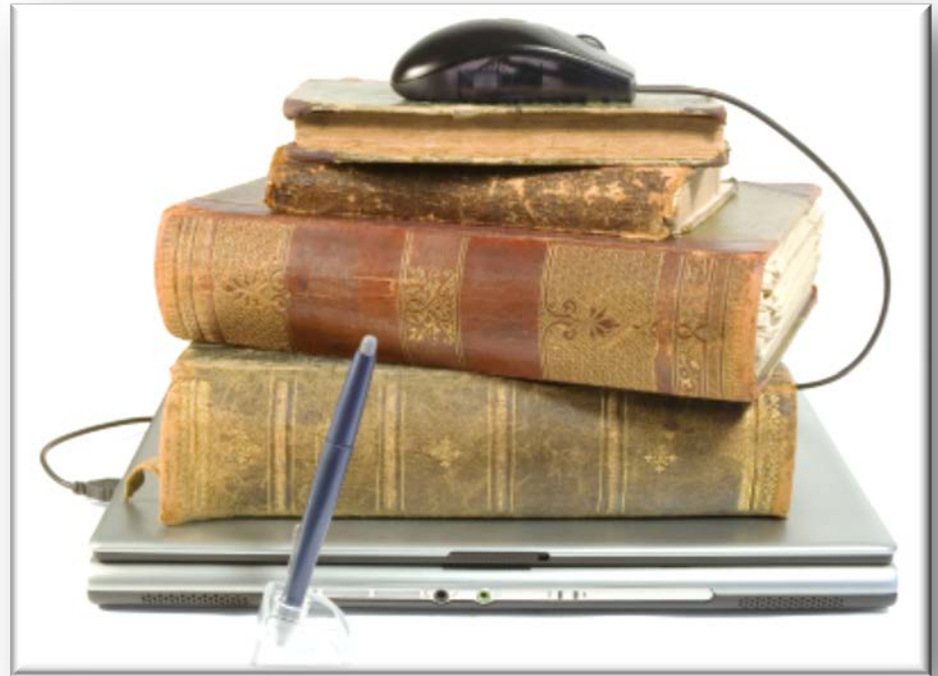
Record your findings

- Record the source citation on your research log and on any photocopies or notes you make



Record your findings


- **Include comments about the record**



Record your findings

- **Summarize what you find in each record on your research log, including negative results**





Any reference to or reproduction of material contained herein should include attribution to MyGenShare.com.

This material may not be reproduced for commercial purposes without permission from the owner.

All trademarks referenced herein are intellectual property of MyGenShare.com.



A production of

MyGenShare.com™

Sharing Information to Join Generations™

© MyGenShare.com 2012. All Rights Reserved.