

# **ESSENTIAL CIVIL WAR CURRICULUM**

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## **Immigrants in the Union Army**

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### **Resources**

**If you can read only one book**

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Engle, Stephen	<i>Yankee Dutchman: The Life of Franz Sigel.</i> Fayetteville: University of Arkansas Press, 1993.
Gleeson, David	<i>Green and the Gray: Irish in the Confederate</i>

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Kamphoefner, Walter & Wolfgang Helbich	<i>Germans in the Civil War: The Letters They Wrote Home</i> Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2006.
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Swan, James B.	<i>Chicago's Irish Legion: The 90<sup>th</sup> Illinois Volunteers in the Civil War</i> . Chicago: Southern Illinois University Press, 2009.
Ural, Susannah J.	<i>The Harp and the Eagle: Irish-American Volunteers in the Union Army, 1861-1865</i> . New York: New York University Press, 2005.
Ural, Susannah J., ed.	<i>Civil War Citizens: Race, Ethnicity, and Identity in America's Bloodiest Conflict</i> . New York: New York University Press, 2010.

## Organizations

## Web Resources

URL	Name and description
<a href="http://irishamericancivilwar.com">http://irishamericancivilwar.com</a>	This is an extensive website dedicated to the Irish experience in the American Civil War, run by historian Damian Shiels.
<a href="http://www.ozarkscivilwar.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Impact-of-German-Immigrants-in-the-Civil-War1.pdf">http://www.ozarkscivilwar.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/Impact-of-German-Immigrants-in-the-Civil-War1.pdf</a>	This is a PDF document covering the history of the German experience in the Civil War Ozarks, complete with recommended assignments for grades 4, 8 and high school.
<a href="http://www.civilwarhome.com/ethnic.htm">http://www.civilwarhome.com/ethnic.htm</a>	An excerpt from the Civil War Society's <i>Encyclopedia of the Civil War</i> this is a brief overview of ethnic service in the Civil War.
<a href="http://pacivilwar150.com/people/immigrants/Overview.aspx">http://pacivilwar150.com/people/immigrants/Overview.aspx</a>	The Pennsylvania Civil War website includes stories from Pennsylvania Immigrants during the Civil War.
<a href="http://www.ninthregimentcv.com">http://www.ninthregimentcv.com</a>	This website is dedicated to the history of the 9 <sup>th</sup> Connecticut (Irish) Regiment. It contains transcribed primary sources and detailed background for a number of volunteers.
<a href="http://www.aoh61.com/history/civil_war.htm">http://www.aoh61.com/history/civil_war.htm</a>	This website provides links to websites maintained by a number of different organizations, all dealing with specific Irish regiments.

## Other Sources

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