HISTORICAL RESEARCH

Are you a historian? LostCousins offers a real opportunity to find living descendants of individuals from the 18th and 19th centuries.

At LostCousins members enter people from their family tree who were recorded on one or more of the censuses that we support:

England & Wales 1841, 1881 Scotland 1881 USA 1880 Canada 1881

If you are able to identify the people you are researching, their descendants, or other relatives on any of these censuses we'll compare your entries against nearly 1.5 million entries made by other LostCousins members, and let you know what matches we find.

CONDITIONS

Before using the Historical Research classification please tell us a little about your research, so that we can advise you on the best way to use this facility. If you have a website that describes your current and/or past projects please provide a link.

You must provide a secondary email address in case your primary address fails. Please complete the Secondary Email Address box on your My Details page if you have not already done so.

Misuse of the LostCousins system, or failure to respond in a timely and courteous manner will result in your account being closed. If you will be unable to respond to enquiries within 14 days due to an extended vacation (or for any other reason) please let us know so that we can advise members accordingly.

FAQS

Can I use my existing LostCousins account?

There is no reason why you shouldn't use the same account for the study if you wish. However, you may prefer to keep your personal information and personal contacts separate from the rest.

Will I need to become a LostCousins subscriber?

No - unless you want to initiate contact with another member. We believe that in most cases it would be more appropriate for you to wait for interested members to contact you.

Can I enter people who I have researched in the past, or only those from current projects?

Yes - we would definitely encourage this. Making a connection with a living descendant could provide a great opportunity to publicise your work.

Is this feature only for established authors?

What matters most is the quality of your research.

I'm not researching my own family tree - can I still become a LostCousins member?

That's not a problem - but because we currently don't have any way of identifying members in your position, you may receive emails that are not relevant to you. To unsubscribe from our regular newsletter change the settings on your My Details page.