Selected resources on the physical development and architecture of Lancaster, PA, available in Archives and Special Collections (Martin Library of the Sciences), Shadek-Fackenthal Library, and Online.

Atlas and Maps
Map of Lancaster (City), PA, 1858. Drawn and Published by T.J. Kennedy. 54"x48."

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

The illustrations surrounding the border of this map provide a rare glimpse of how Lancaster looked in 1858. Among the structures depicted are the Lancaster County Court House and Fulton Hall. The map shows Lancaster's four political wards, Hamilton's lot numbers, and a city growing outward from its central square.


"Map of the City of Lancaster, Penna., 1874". Surveyed, drawn, and published by Roe and Colby, Philadelphia. 55.5"x58”  SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This map indicates all of the city's buildings and its nine political wards, which were established in 1869. The train station is located almost one mile closer to downtown. It was relocated in 1930.

Everts & Stewart. Combination atlas map of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania; compiled, drawn and published from personal examinations and surveys. 1875
G1263.L3 E9 1875  SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

G1264.L2 B3 1886  SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

G1263.L3 G73 1899  SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

G1263 .L3 B5 2006  SFL REFERENCE ROOM and SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Facsimile reproduction of 1899 Atlas of surveys with added commentary and extensive photographs and illustrations of Lancaster City.

F157.L2 S25  SFL MICROFILM ROOM

Includes 1886, 1891, 1897, 1912 and 1929 with 1937, 1941 revisions.
F157.L2 S25 1912 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

1912 color map with 1929 revisions.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Lancaster (1886, 1891, 1897, and 1912) as well as other Pennsylvania towns and cities are available electronically through the Penn State University Libraries at: [http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/digital/sanborn.html](http://www.libraries.psu.edu/psul/digital/sanborn.html)

Notes:
1886- Overall map- sheet 1; F&M- sheet 23; Penn Square-sheet 15
1891- Overall map- sheet 1; F&M- sheet 29; Penn Square-sheet 15
1897- Overall map- sheet c- key; F&M- sheet 51; Penn Square-sheet 23
1912- Overall map- sheet c-key; F&M- sheet 68; Penn Square-sheets 28 & 29

**Pictorial works**

F159.L2 A826 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS and INTERNET
[http://hdl.handle.net/11016/11860](http://hdl.handle.net/11016/11860)

*Contains 70 plates depicting streets, churches, schools, industries, etc. in Lancaster in 1892.*

*Historical and Illustrated Sketch of Lancaster, Penna.* Lancaster, PA: E.J. Phelps, 1897.
F159.L2 D55 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS and INTERNET

McGrann’s Park Development Co. *[McGrann’s Park]* Lancaster, Pa., New Era Printing Co., [1900?] F159.L2 M36 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

*Souvenir of Lancaster.* Portland, Maine: L. H. Nelson co. n.d. [ca. 1900]
F159.L2 S68 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

*Contains photos of prominent downtown buildings and businesses.*

F157.L2 R53 2008 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

College Archives. *F&M and Lancaster photograph collection.*
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*This small collection located in Archives and Special Collections contains photographs*
and postcards of various Lancaster City and County landmarks. While not extensive, it may be helpful depending on one's research topic.


*This series of books contains photographs from the collections of the Lancaster County Historical Society. While not emphasizing architecture, they nevertheless contain views of prominent city landmarks, depicting time and place, and will be useful to those researching transportation, recreation, or business and industry landmarks.*

**City Directories**


R.L. Polk & Co. *Polk's Lancaster suburban (Lancaster County, Pa.) directory.*  F159.L2 A183  SPECIAL COLLECTIONS


Lancaster City Directories for 1843-1914 from the Lancaster County Historical Society are also available digitized at:  
http://www.lancasterhistory.org/lancaster-city-directories

**Guidebooks**

http://collection1.libraries.psu.edu/cdm/ref/collection/digitalbks2/id/17176
Reilly, Richard M. *The city of Lancaster, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania...Together with an introductory sketch of the county and city, embracing the commercial, industrial, educational and social life therein; with a brief glance at the work of the various departments of the municipal government*. [Lancaster, Pa.?] Published under the auspices of the Lancaster board of trade by H. A. DeForest, specialist; [1909] F159.L2 L26 STACKS and SPECIAL COLLECTIONS and INTERNET http://collection1.libraries.psu.edu/cdm/ref/collection/digitalbks2/id/20871

Contains numerous photographs of prominent downtown buildings and businesses, along with descriptions of Lancaster businesses and industries.

**Architectural histories and historic preservation surveys**


**Public Records**

Tax assessment records, searchable by owner's name or address, giving descriptions and photos of the property are available at: http://lancasterpa.devnetwedge.com/

Deeds searchable by grantor or grantee are fully searchable online at the Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds site at: http://www.lancasterdeeds.com/
While generally not containing deeds prior to 1981, more and more pre-1981 deeds are becoming available. Older deeds documenting property ownership not found at the above link can be found, if a deed reference number is known, at: http://icris.lancasterdeeds.com/efilm/

Websites
Lancaster Building Conservancy
http://lancasterbuildingconservancy.wordpress.com/

*Historic Preservation website featuring currently at risk Lancaster County landmarks.*

Lancaster’s Architectural Heritage
http://cityoflancasterpa.com/business/architectural-heritage

*Lancaster City website features overview and timeline of architectural styles present in the city, along with information on specific landmarks.*

Historic American Buildings Survey
http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/habs_haer/

*Searchable database features photographs, drawings and data on historical structures surveyed in the 1930s and 1940s in Lancaster County as well as nationally. Organized by state and county.*

Lancaster City newspapers may be helpful in giving background on specific historical properties or those used for business purposes.
http://library.fandm.edu/archives/localnewspapers.html

College Archives
Information on College-owned properties both on and off campus is available in the College Archives, Record Group 8, subgroup 3, Facilities and Operations records and in the student newspaper (1873-2011) online at http://library.fandm.edu/tcrarchive

Records may include plans, photographs, building specifications, history of use, etc.

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