

Week 6. Sept 27-29

Library Research Skills

As a college student you should be able to find, retrieve, and evaluate information. This information will be used by you to develop an appropriate response to a problem or question. During this week you will learn how to do that.

The Mount Library has over 90,000 items -- books, periodicals, newspapers, compact discs and videos. Using any computer with Internet access, you can locate any item in the Library. You can also find articles in journals and newspapers, access electronic books, request items from other libraries and search the World Wide Web. By completing this week's activities, you will know how and where to find them.

You will do the following:

Evaluating Websites

1. Each student reads the articles assigned for the week 6. Complete the readings individually before September 27th. Find the articles on Blackboard under "Readings".
2. On September 27th you will work in groups. Look for your group below. Your group will upload one post onto the discussion board (Forum – Library Research Assignment). Delegate one member of your group to do the post. The post will have 2 parts:
 - a. Part 1. Answer briefly the following questions:

What do you need to take into consideration while evaluating websites? What are the benefits of using an article from a library database compared to a website article?

- b. Part 2. Answer the question (your answer should be no less than 150 words):

Group 1 Question: Evaluate the website of the RYT Hospital-Dwayne Medical Center : <http://www.rythospital.com> Is this a credible resource? Would you use the articles from this website for your paper? Yes or Not? Provide your reasons.

Group 2 Question: Evaluate the website of the Internet Public Library. <http://www.ipl.org> Is this a credible resource? Would you use the articles from this website for your paper? Yes or Not? Provide your reasons.

Group 3 Question: Evaluate the website of the Dog Island Organization. <http://www.thedogisland.com> Is this a credible resource? Would you use the articles from this website for your paper? Yes or Not? Provide your reasons.

Group 4 Question: Evaluate the website of the Women’s Health Office.

<http://www.womenshealth.gov> Is this a credible resource? Would you use the articles from this website for your paper? Yes or Not? Provide your reasons.

Each group will complete their posts by the end of September 27th . All group members **will not receive attendance credit for this day** if your group does not upload the post by the end of September 27th. Each group can work on this class activity anywhere on campus where there is access to the internet (classroom, dorm room, outside, etc). Eventhough you and your group members are not required to come to the classroom on Sept 27, you will need to work as a group to complete this activity. So, find a comfortable location and have fun!!!

Groups:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Amber Beckman Thomas Bell Emily Berning David Brausch Andrew Brown Donald Bush	Kelly Dole Mya Felton Blake Ferguson Devon Geter Jennifer Herzog Amy Hildebrand	Hannah Kilburn Faith Koehne Dakota Lacewell Patrick McClanahan Matthew Nie Jacob Proffitt	Keyrstin Schenkel Hannah Schoenung Tyler Settles Alyssa Theuerling Kyle Whitney

September 29th

Each student (individually, not in group) comments another group’s post on the discussion board (choose a post of your interest) by answering the following: Do you agree with the group’s response and reasons? Yes or not? Why “yes” or why “not”? The comment is due September 29th.

Each student completes the readings for this day - look for *Readings* on Blackboard. Report to the class room.

The course librarian, Janna Hoglund, will review the library resources and how to access them. Bring your laptop.

The assignment “Library Research” will be distributed. The assignment is worth 25% of the quiz portion of your total grade and is due October 4rd.