

Research & Writing Assignments: How Librarians Can Help

Workshops: We can help students succeed at college-level research by collaborating with you to design a library orientation or research workshop tailored to the needs of your class.

Consultations: Please feel welcome to include your librarian's contact information in your syllabus, and refer your students to your librarian if they could benefit from one-on-one help.

Online Guides: Our discipline-specific research guides provide students with a specialized entry point to resources in each field (find your at [go/guides/](#)). We also recommend our *Quick Guide* to the Middlebury Libraries ([go/quickguide/](#)), which orients students to library resources, services and spaces. In addition, we would be happy to develop a custom guide for your course.

Assignment Design: We see students at all stages of the research process, including the early stages when they're internalizing the requirements and desired outcomes of their assignment. If you'd like to share a draft of an assignment with us, we'll be happy to try to anticipate questions that may arise for students.

Academic Integrity: Many students seek guidance on how to use and cite sources in their writing. Ask us about workshops, bibliographic tools and online resources like the *Citation and Style Guide* and the *Academic Integrity Tutorial*. (Learn more about the Academic Integrity Tutorial and how librarians can help at [go/aithelp/](#).)

Examples

- *Library workshops:* Targeted skills have included developing focused research questions, conceptualizing the research process, searching efficiently, and evaluating and citing sources. (More workshop examples at [go/il-workshopideas/](#).)
- *Research consultations:* We've coached students on selecting starting points, refining research topics, finding search terms and developing strategies for efficient source management.
- *Online research guides:* One example of a discipline-specific research guide is the *Psychology Guide* at [go/psycguide/](#). It links to PsycINFO, the major resource for psychology literature searches, provides discipline-specific advice on citing sources, and lists the name and contact information for the Psychology librarian. We've also created course-specific guides for more specialized needs. (More guides at [go/guides/](#).)

Contact Us!

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