WORKSHOPS @ Your Library

Spring Semester 2023

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Citation Management

**APA Citation Workshop**
Learn the ins and outs of citing sources and building reference lists using the American Psychological Association (APA) Style Guide.

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- February 8 .............................. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- February 28 .............................. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- March 30 .................................. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- April 12 .................................. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- April 27 .................................. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Introduction to EndNote Online**
Learn the basics of EndNote Online, a free, web-based version of the EndNote citation manager. You’ll learn how to capture, organize, and share your references, as well as use “Cite While You Write” to create in-text citations and bibliographies in Microsoft Word.

- February 7 .................................. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- March 7 ...................................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- April 11 ...................................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**Introduction to Mendeley**
Mendeley is a citation manager that allows you to create your own personal database of references by importing records from research databases such as Scopus and others. MSU students, faculty, and staff have access to the Mendeley Institutional Edition. Learn how to build a Mendeley library, share references with other researchers, and use the plug-in to cite as you write.

- January 27 .............................. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- February 8 .................................. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
- March 6 ...................................... 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- March 30 .................................... 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

**Introduction to MLA Style Citations, 9th Edition**
Learn the ins and outs of using the 9th Edition of MLA Style. Learn how to cite sources and build work cited lists that include everything from books and journal articles to YouTube videos.

- February 7 .............................. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- February 22 .............................. 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
- March 8 .................................... 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- April 6 ........................................ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**Introduction to Zotero**
Zotero is a free cloud-based citation management system that captures journal articles, books, webpages, and newspaper articles, to seamlessly save them for citations and bibliographies. It comes with MS Word and Google Docs plug-ins to easily manage citations while writing, and it creates your bibliography for you!

- February 8 .................................. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- March 22 .................................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Research Skills

Branching Out: Starting a Family Tree with Ancestry.com
Learn the basics of using Ancestry.com, including starting your own tree, taking advantage of the library’s subscription to Ancestry’s worldwide databases, and employing search strategies to get the best results.

February 9 ......................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
February 11 ....................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Copyright and Fair Use in the Classroom
This workshop will provide an overview of the copyright issues related to use of materials in both the face-to-face and online classroom.

March 6 ............................. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Creating Digital Exhibits in Omeka
Learn how to submit a proposal to create an Omeka exhibit, upload items for your exhibit, describe items with standard metadata, generate and lay out the pages of your exhibit, and more.

February 22 ........................ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Creating Online Surveys? An Introduction to Qualtrics
Qualtrics is a powerful online tool for creating surveys, collecting data, and analyzing responses. This workshop will give an overview of Qualtrics and cover survey design, edit, distribution, and data reporting.

February 21 ........................ 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
March 24 ............................ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Evaluating Real vs. Fake News
Today’s news and social media environment is overwhelming, and disseminating false information is easier than ever. This workshop aims to equip users with the tools they need to critically evaluate, avoid, and combat false news, misinformation, and disinformation; recognize media and confirmation bias; and scrutinize social media accounts and trending topics.

January 31 ......................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
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March 28 ............................ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Finding and Managing Sources for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses
Are you thinking of conducting a systematic review or meta-analysis? An essential step is developing effective searches across multiple databases and managing those references in a way that allows them to be evaluated effectively. This introductory workshop provides tips and tools to effectively implement these steps in the review process.

February 20 ....................... 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
March 21 ............................ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Introduction to Patent Searching
Patents are valuable resources for researchers, especially in the sciences and engineering. This workshop, tailored towards novice patent searchers, will provide an introduction to patents and cover strategies to assist patent searches. Attendees will participate in hands-on learning activities.

April 5 .............................. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Research Skills

Getting the Most Out of ICPSR
The Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) is the world’s largest archive of social science data. ICPSR is an organization of over 750 international member institutions working together to acquire and preserve social science data, to provide open and equitable access to these data, and to promote effective data use. In this workshop you will learn the basics of ICPSR and how you can use their data in your research.

- February 23 .............................. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- March 20 .................................. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- April 18 .................................. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Getting the Most Out of Scopus
Scopus is a multidisciplinary database with strong coverage in sciences, engineering, and social sciences. This workshop will show advanced features of Scopus such as cited reference searching, setting up folders, creating search alerts, and maintaining a Scopus author page. Other search tips will be provided as well.

- January 30 ................................ 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- February 16 ............................. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Online Success! Library Resources and Services for the Online Student
Are you new to online classes? Do you have assignments that require library resources but are unsure where to start? Help is here! Attend this brief but informative session on how to access the library resources most commonly used for distance education classes. You will learn how to search the online databases for journal articles, the online catalog for books, and how to utilize the Interlibrary Loan system to retrieve items not available through electronic access. There will also be time for any specific questions you may have about your library needs. A recording of the workshop will be made available to anyone who is unable to attend.

- February 8 ............................... 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- February 18 ............................. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- March 2 .................................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Using Census.gov to Find Research Data
This workshop will teach you how to navigate the United States Census Bureau website, find population, demographic, and job data, and detail how all this data is presented and used. Discover the population clock, check quick facts, find graphs, tables and maps, and much more! It’s America yesterday and today, by the numbers.

- February 16 ............................. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
- March 7 .................................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- April 3 ..................................... 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Searching in the PubMed Database
PubMed, a database developed by the National Library of Medicine, is a comprehensive resource for searching biomedical and life sciences articles and related content. In this workshop, you will learn the essentials about PubMed and the techniques of conducting more focused searches using Medical Subject Headings (MeSH).

- January 25 ............................... 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

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**Academic Integrity**

**Keeping It Honest: Avoiding Plagiarism in Your Projects**
Plagiarism is a major problem in academic circles and goes far beyond simple “copy and paste.” This workshop offers practical steps, from beginning your research to finalizing your citations and reference page, to keep your assignments plagiarism-free!

- January 24 ......................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- February 21 ...................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- March 21 .......................... 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- April 18 ........................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

**What is Visual Plagiarism?**
Using visual resources without permission is theft! Visual resources include images, charts, tables, graphs, maps, drawings, paintings, sculptures, and photography. If you use one of these types of resources in your work, you must cite it. This includes papers, presentations, theses/dissertations, publications, blogs, etc. In this workshop, you will learn to use and cite visual resources correctly; as well as the grey areas of homage and parody regarding another’s creative visual material, and the ethical and legal implications.

- January 31 .......................... 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Social Media**

**Using Social Media Responsibly**
What does your social media presence say about you? Admissions officers, employers, and Grandma are all looking at your online profile, so make sure it’s the most flattering side! We will help you create and curate your social media experience to work for you. From projecting a professional image, to avoiding hashtag fails and the spread of misinformation, this workshop will have you covered.

- February 14 ......................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- April 25 ............................. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Survival Skills for Graduate Students**

**Crafting the Winning Curriculum Vitae (CV)**
The curriculum vitae (CV) is the document most often used during the academic job search and throughout an academic career. This workshop will provide strategies for developing a professional CV. A Survival Skills for Graduate Students/Practical Professor Workshop.

- April 1 ............................. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**Demystifying the Dissertation Process**
From proposal to defense, this workshop provides strategies for starting and completing your thesis or dissertation. A Survival Skills for Graduate Students Workshop.

- February 7 ......................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- March 1 ............................ 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Survival Skills for Graduate Students

Developing a Literature Review: An Overview for Graduate Students
In this workshop, we’ll cover the basics of how to structure and write a literature review, with a focus on the thesis or dissertation review. A Survival Skills for Graduate Students Workshop.

January 28 ...................... 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
February 17 ..................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Graduate Student Success! Library Resources for the Online Grad Student
Whether you are a new or returning online graduate student, this is the workshop for you! You will learn how to access online library resources and services, set up the MSU VPN, and create your interlibrary loan (ILLiad) account. We will show you how to find and request books, articles, and other resources within your field of study. There will also be time for you to ask any questions you need answered!

January 21 ...................... 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Publishing 101 – Navigating the Academic Publishing Process
This workshop provides an introduction to the academic publishing process. Topics covered include journal selection, submission strategies, avoiding predatory publishers/journals, managing the relationship with editors and reviewers, and publishing best practices.

February 20 ...................... 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Avoiding Plagiarism for Graduate Students
This workshop will discuss the importance of ethical research. Strategies for avoiding plagiarism will be included. A Survival Skills for Graduate Students Workshop. RCR credit will be available for this session.

February 11 ...................... 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Thesis and dissertation Formatting and Submission

Thesis & Dissertation Formatting Workshops
These workshops cover the submission process for format review and demonstrate how to use the automated templates to format MSU theses and dissertations to the requirements set forth in the Standards for Preparing Theses and Dissertations: 8th Edition. These templates were designed to help an author organize and format their document with minimal effort so that their focus can be on the content of their document. Those who have already started writing or have already defended are welcome to bring their current documents (either on flash drive or email attachment) to start the process of placing their content into the template.

Online Sessions
Mac Session ..................... February 1 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Regular Session ................ February 6 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Education and Psychology .... March 1 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Regular Session ................ March 6 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Evening Regular Session ....... March 29 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

In-Person Sessions (* indicates hybrid session)
*Regular Session ................ January 19 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
Education and Psychology .... January 24 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
*Regular Session ................ February 11 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
*Regular Session ................ February 21 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
Mac Session ..................... March 23 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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**Special Collections**

**Introducing the Lantern Project**
Attendees will learn about the Lantern Project, a multi-state and multi-institution effort to digitize legal records of enslaved persons generously funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) of the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration and get tips on navigating both the project digital collection and specific historic documents included in the project, such as probate records.

January 10 ............................ 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

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**Adobe Creative Cloud**

**Adobe Creative Cloud Overview**
MSU is the first Creative Campus in the state of Mississippi. MSU faculty, staff, and students now have access to Adobe Creative Cloud at a deeply discounted rate. Come find out how to access your copy, what the programs do, and how you can jumpstart your creativity to better tell your story.

January 25 ............................ 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
February 13 ............................. 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**Get to Know… – Adobe Software Tours**
Focusing on “the big three,” (Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign) these workshops will introduce you to some commonly used functions of these programs and hopefully give you some ideas of how you can incorporate them into your research and workflows.

Photoshop ................... January 30 ...................... 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Illustrator .................... February 1 ...................... 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
InDesign ..................... February 6 ...................... 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Photoshop ................... February 20 ............... 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Illustrator .................... February 23 ............... 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
InDesign ..................... March 7 ..................... 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

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**Microsoft Office**

**Microsoft Excel Overview**
This workshop focuses the basics of Microsoft Excel. Learn how to format spreadsheets, work with formulas and functions, and create charts and pivot tables.

January 26 ............................ 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
February 14 ........................... 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
March 8 ................................. 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**Microsoft Mail Merge**
Learn how to setup a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet to create an easy merge with Microsoft Word for labels and form letters, and Microsoft Publisher for nametags.

February 9 ............................. 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
March 27 ............................. 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
3D Design and Printing

3D Design and Printing Workshops
Come learn how these programs can help you create your own 3D designs and how you can use the 3D printers available in the MaxxSouth Digital Media Center

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Soldering and Circuitry

**Electronic Memory Game: Soldering 101**
Learn basic soldering skills using this kit. You will take home a memory game that has 99 levels. Press the correct colors in order to move on to the next level.
Cost: $20
February 3: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**LED Acrylic Signs – Glowforge**
Make your own light up acrylic LED sign that is perfect for your desk. Show your MSU pride with your choice of two designs. After registering, you will receive a form that will allow you to select a design. You must complete this form one week prior to the workshop.
Cost: $20
February 24: 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

**Neon Bulldog Sign: LEDs 101**
Learn how to work with LED Neon Flex to make your own faux neon sign. This workshop combines LEDs, light soldering, and 3D printing to create a sign worthy of any bulldog’s desk.
Cost: $25
March 10: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**Hour Glass: Soldering 101**
Learn basic soldering skills as you make an LED hour glass. Flip the hour glass upside down and watch as the LEDs fall to the bottom
Cost: $15
April 14: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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Makerspace Laser and Die Cutting

Join us at the Library Tuesdays for “Make-It Tuesdays!”

February 14  Valentine Beads and Buttons ($10 fee)  10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Come join us in the DMC on Valentine’s Day and make some special gifts. We will make a valentine themed button and a Valentine Beaded Decoration. Registration is required.
Cost $5.00

February 21  Baseball Home (ULM)-Buttons  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

February 28  Makerspace Open House  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Come and go event where patrons will see how to make a button, 3D print, keychain on the laser engraver, and a decal on the cricut and take them home with them. No registration required.
Cost: $5.00

March 7  Baseball Home (Valpo)-Buttons  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

March 21  Baseball Home (Ark St)-Buttons  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

March 28  Baseball Home (Samford)-Buttons  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

April 4  Baseball Home (Grambling)-Buttons  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

April 11  Make your own T-shirt  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Come and go event where patrons learn how to use the Cricut and the Heat Press to make a custom t-shirt.
Cost: $5.00, or bring your own shirt for free.

April 18  Baseball Home (Southern)-Buttons  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

April 25  Make your own Earrings-Leather or wood  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Come and go event where patrons learn how to use the GlowForge and take home a custom-made pair of earrings.
Cost: $5.00

May 2  Make your own Cowbell/Mug-free  12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Come and join us in the DMC and make a decal for a free cowbell or mug. Registration is required for this event.
Of course we have books...
but we offer sooooo MUCH MORE!

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twitter.com/msu_libraries

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Workshops on Demand

Don’t see what you’re looking for here? Let us know! The MSU Libraries’ offer a wide array of workshops covering research skills, digital literacy, graphic design, 3D modeling, and much more. Workshops are available for classes and groups on a scheduled basis and can be tailored to meet the specific goals and objectives of a particular course or group. For more information about scheduling a customized workshop, please contact:

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662.325.7676
Graduate Student Services
662.325.0810
Research, Instruction, and Outreach
662.325.3834

Special Collections
662.325.7679
Thesis and Dissertation Format Review
662.325.2170

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