SHERROD LIBRARY GRADUATE-LEVEL ACADEMIC WORKSHOPS

All Workshops for Fall 2017 are offered in Sherrod 309 on select Saturdays September through November from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Graduate workshops are free to all ETSU students, faculty, and staff.

Come for some or stay for all!

Please register here: Graduate Workshop Registration

BEGINNER SERIES (SEPTEMBER 23 and NOVEMBER 4)

How Academic Research Works (including Literature Review!)

9:00-9:45AM Instructor: Dr. Wendy Doucette

Especially for new graduate students, this presentation gives a high-level overview of the scholarly research process and the different types of academic papers. Topics discussed: membership in the academic community; scholarly dialogue; authority and peer review; ownership, copyright, and plagiarism; explanation of the main parts of research papers, including literature review; scholarly publishing opportunities

Academic Searching and Citation Management

10:00-10:45AM Instructor: Ms. Joanna Anderson

This introductory overview covers the broad strokes of academic searching. Topics discussed: overall search strategy for different types of searches with different objectives; the "1-2-3" of searching the databases at ETSU; navigating the library catalog, theses and dissertations; non-electronic venues (periodicals and archives); saving articles and searches; setting up feeds and alerts; overview of citation management (Mendeley and Endnote)

Time and Project Management

11:00-11:45AM Instructor: Dr. Wendy Doucette

Stay on top of the most massive academic project you've ever undertaken by managing it correctly! Using principles from knowledge management and psychology, you can construct your project framework efficiently at any stage. Topics discussed: work-life balance; time management; effective e-mail; PC file structure and versioning; physical and virtual storage and backups; bookmark management; feeds and alerts for specific searches and journals; demonstration of Google and Microsoft cloud computing

Understanding Data

12:00-12:45PM Instructor: Dr. Don Good

What data do you need? (And what data do you NOT need?) What do you do with the data once you've collected it? What does it mean? How do you communicate the results? This workshop is intended as a refresher to previously taken statistics and research courses or as a preview to upcoming courses. Topics discussed: types of data; appropriate statistical procedures; interpreting results; understanding data analysis as presented in scholarly articles

Formatting APA Papers

1:00-1:45PM Instructor: Ms. Joanna Anderson

Need brushing up on how to format an academic paper? We'll cover the main points of writing academic papers according to APA style guidelines. Topics discussed: plagiarism, direct quotes, summaries, and paraphrasing; how to properly cite sources; the most common types of APA citations; avoiding common errors; when not to trust bibliographic tools; formatting bibliographies correctly in Microsoft Word

ADVANCED SERIES (OCTOBER 2 AND NOVEMBER 11)

Academic Publications and Presentations

9:00-9:45AM Instructor: Dr. Wendy Doucette

Every academic program requires you to promote and present your research. Learn how to create a solid presentation to impress your professors and influence future employers. Topics discussed: academic publishing opportunities; the academic publishing and peer-review cycles; the different types of academic output; tips for audience engagement; guidelines for posters and presentations; suggestions for free software

Measuring Research Impact

10:00-10:45AM Instructor: Ms. Ashley Lowery

Discover traditional and alternative methods of measuring research impact to demonstrate the impact of your own research. Topics discussed: journal, article, and author-level metrics, traditional metrics (e.g. citation reports, impact factors), altmetrics (e.g. social media metrics), free and subscription tools to measure research impact

Infographics for Academics

11:00-11:45AM Instructor: Dr. Wendy Doucette

Even in academic settings, knowing how to present key information visually is a valued skill whose importance continues to increase. Topics discussed: how infographics differ from academic posters; different types of infographics; the five rules to follow when making an infographic; design principles and techniques; suggestions for free software to help build engaging and successful infographics

Establish Your Professional Identity

12:00-12:45PM Instructor: Ms. Rebecca Tolley

Whether you need to build a new academic identity or grow an existing one, a professional social presence allows you to share your research, support your teaching, and expand your career. Learn how to cultivate your online presence while avoiding the most common social media mistakes. Topics discussed: online safety; interacting with scholarly communities; networking with Facebook, LinkedIn, and other outlets; Twitter, feeds, and live-tweeting

Medical Searching

1:00-1:45PM Instructor: Ms. Joanna Anderson

Intended as a supplement for students in the health and nursing professions who already understand the basics of academic searching. Topics discussed: searching medical literature effectively using specific medical databases such as PubMed and CINAHL; constructing a search using relevant MeSH headings, PICO, and PICOT; critically evaluating the value of those search results; overview of systematic reviews, including Google Scholar

We build our workshops to suit your needs.

If you have suggestions, we want to hear them! Please contact Dr. Wendy Doucette, Graduate Research and Instruction Librarian, doucettew@etsu.edu or (423) 439-4336.