



Northumbria Skills Programme

The Northumbria Skills Programme runs throughout the year and provides drop-in surgeries and bookable sessions covering a variety of topics. Find the timetable and BOOK NOW at northumbria.ac.uk/libtraining.

Introducing effective searching

This session will introduce you to a range of techniques to help you develop search strategies for finding good quality academic information using Library Search, including how to refine your results and organise them in Library Search.

Using advanced search techniques

This session investigates applying advanced techniques to Library Search and subject databases. Learn about techniques for managing your search results and keeping up-to-date with newly published literature in your subject area.

Introducing critical thinking

This session will introduce you to the concept of critical thinking and its importance in helping you to identify misinformation and make informed, analytical decisions in your academic work.

Planning and writing an academic essay

This session will introduce you to methods for planning your assignment and structuring your work. An overview of searching for information, academic writing style, and the correct use of language are also included.

Referencing to avoid plagiarism

This session will introduce you to the topic of plagiarism and how it can be avoided by referencing sources correctly. Learn about basic referencing features and terminology.

EndNote: getting started

This session introduces you to using EndNote management software to set up an EndNote library, and create and import references. You will also learn how to 'Cite while you write' and automatically insert in-text citations into your Word documents.

Dissertation planning and research

This session looks at good practice in dissertation planning, from choosing a topic and refining your question through to conducting a literature review and finding good quality, relevant material. Learn more about selecting appropriate research methods and types of research methodology.



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