

Module 1: Introduction to UBCO Library

Specifically, it is focused on introducing you to the spaces, services, and resources available at the UBC Okanagan Library. The different sections of the module cover:

- UBC Libraries and services
- How do I get help with my assignments?
- The UBCO Library website

This module should take you about 15-20 minutes to complete.

Module 2: Exploring Sources

This module is focused on exploring and identifying types of sources you will be expected to use at university and how to identify them using the Library as a starting point.

By the end of this module, you should be able to:

- **Define** different types of sources and some of their traits;
- **Describe** the difference between scholarly and popular sources;
- **Describe** the peer-review process for academic journal articles;
- **Describe** and **identify** the difference between primary and secondary sources;
- **Identify** and **describe** the typical sections of an academic article.

This module should take between 40-60 minutes to complete.

Module 3: Finding Sources Basics

This module is focused on finding sources using library tools - they are a bit different than searching Google!

By the end of this module, you should be able to:

- **Locate** UBC Library's search tools on the library website home page;
- **Distinguish** between three of the different tabs on the library home page search box;
- **Construct** a basic search in Summon using keywords, AND, and phrases;
- **Apply** limiters in Summon that will help make your search more relevant;
- **Explain** the differences between Summon and Google.

This module should take 40-60 minutes to complete.

Module 4: Finding Sources Advanced

This module is focused on advanced techniques for finding sources using UBC Library resources.

By the end of this module, you should be able to:

- **Describe** what a database is and its functions;
- **Locate** databases by title or using a list from the library homepage;
- **Locate** journals by title using the library homepage;
- **Construct** a basic search in a database using keywords, AND, phrases, synonyms and OR;
- **Apply** limiters and refine searches using database features such as scholarly/peer-review, type, date range;
- **Describe** the uses and limitations of Google Scholar.

This module should take between 30-50 minutes to complete.

Module 5: Evaluating Sources

This module is focused on evaluating the sources that you find, so you can decide if they are appropriate to use in your assignments.

By the end of this module, you should be able to:

- **Describe** why evaluating sources is an important part of the research process;
- **Refer to and apply** the RADAR acronym to evaluate sources based on rationale, authority, date, accuracy, and relevance;
- **Describe and apply** the pros and cons of using Google to find sources;
- **Describe and apply** the appropriate uses of Wikipedia;
- **Critically assess** the truthfulness of news sources;
- **Apply** filters in library tools to limit results to appropriate sources.

This module should take you between 40-60 minutes to complete.

Module 6: Introduction to Citing

This module provides a basic overview of when and why we cite in our academic work.

By completing this module, you should be able to:

- **Identify** places to get help for citations;
- **List and describe** why citations are used and asked for in academic research and writing;
- **Label** where citations occur within a document.

This module should take you between 20-30 minutes to complete.

Citing Journal Articles in APA, MLA, Chicago Author-Books, and Chicago Notes-Bibliography

By completing this module, you should be able to:

- **Describe** the common characteristics and elements of scholarly journal articles;
- **Identify** the common format for scholarly articles in the social sciences/sciences;
- **Match** the components of a scholarly article with their description;
- **Apply** citation style conventions to a scholarly journal article for in-text citations and reference lists.

This module should take you between 20-30 minutes to complete.

Citing Books in APA, MLA, Chicago Author-Books, and Chicago Notes-Bibliography

By completing this module, you should be able to:

- **Describe** the difference between scholarly and popular books;
- **Appraise** a book to determine if it is scholarly;
- **Match** the components of a scholarly book with their description;
- **Apply** citation style conventions to a scholarly book for in-text and reference lists.

This module should take you between 20-30 minutes to complete.

Citing Web Sources in APA, MLA, Chicago Author-Books, and Chicago Notes-Bibliography

By completing this module, you should be able to:

- **Identify** producers of content online that is typically acceptable for academic papers;
- **Match** components of a website citation with their description;
- **Describe** common issues with citing websites;
- **Apply** citation style conventions to websites for in-text and reference list citations.

This module should take you between 20-30 minutes to complete.