

## Menu of Orientations

Orientation Name	Description of Contents	Format	Length of Session
Library Tour	Guided tour of major areas of the library, especially those that are essential to student research, and brief introduction to library services	Walking tour	20-30 min.
<b>General Orientation:</b> Introduction to Library Resources	General overview of library services for students and library resources: books, periodicals, web sites, with emphasis on the library's online catalog and an online full-text database	Lecture + tour as needed, and/or hands-on exercise upon request	40-45 min. + 15 min. for library tour
<b>Customized Orientations:</b>			
Searching for Books in the Library	Focus on searching techniques to find books using the library's online catalog. May include searching other libraries' online catalogs.	Lecture + demonstration + hands-on exercise	45-50 min.
Online Databases	Searching techniques to use on a database of instructor's choice, e.g., ProQuest, PsycARTICLES or ArtStor. May be expanded to include one or two other databases.	Lecture + demonstration and/or hands-on exercise	50-60 min.
Developing a Research Topic	How to select and refine a research topic	Lecture + demonstration + hands-on exercise	40-45 min.
Evaluating Internet Sources	Criteria for selecting reliable and credible Web sites that will be useful for student research	Lecture + demonstration + hands-on exercise	60-70 min.
Problem-Based Research	A review and practical application of previously-learned research steps: Given a specific research problem, how would you phrase the research question and implement the research process?	Student group work and presentations, including hands-on work on computers	60-70 min.
Citing Books and Periodicals - MLA Style	Deconstructs the process of creating MLA-format citations for print, online, and other sources	Demonstration + hands-on exercise; students have to bring their reference sources	70-90 min.
Special Topics	Any of the above orientations can be tailored to fit your class topic(s), e.g., how to research specific careers; how to find primary and secondary sources in biology.	Demonstration + hands-on exercise	45-50 min.