# Developing Library Skills Training at UCL

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Improving student information literacy skills through the development of library skills training opportunities

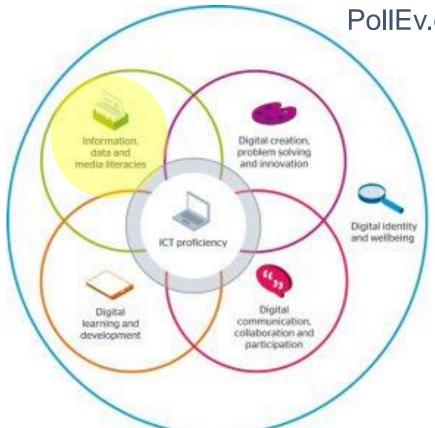
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## What are library skills?



### Information literacy

Information literacy is knowing when and why you need information, where to find it and how to evaluate, use and communicate it in an ethical manner.

**CILIP** 

https://archive.cilip.org.uk/research/topics/information-literacy

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#### Information literacy

The skills that are required to be information literate call for an understanding of:

- A need for information
- The resources available
- How to find information
- The need to evaluate information
- How to work with or exploit results
- Ethics and responsibility of use
- How to communicate or share your findings
- How to manage your findings



## Library skills training

- Finding information using print and online resources
- Advanced and systematic literature searching
- Evaluating sources and information
- Reference management software
- Citing references and avoiding plagiarism
- Copyright
- Research related library skills, e.g. research data management, open access, citation metrics



### Delivery of library skills training

- Integrated into academic programmes or modules
  - Library research skills are important for research-based education
- Offered as part of a scheduled programme of sessions
- Online, self-directed learning

#### Which role best describes you?

Undergraduate student

Taught postgraduate student

Research student

UCL staff

Other



# Which of the following best describes the extent of the library skills training incorporated into your academic programme?

#### None

Brief induction (tour or short lecture theatre presentation)

1 longer lecture or workshop at the start of the programme

1 or more lecture or workshop at relevant parts of your programme, eg. for a research project

Online training only via your academic programme Moodle course

A combination of face to face and online training



# In which of the following skills areas would you most like to see more training available at UCL? (You may select 2)

Finding information using online and print resources

Advanced and systematic literature searching

Evaluating sources and information

Reference management software (e.g. EndNote, Mendeley, Zorero)

Citing references and avoiding plagiarism

Copyright

Research related library skills, including understanding research data management, open access and citation metrics



#### In which format would you most like library skills training to be available?

Face to face group workshops

Online training

Hybrid training (e.g. some online delivery with follow up through more in depth workshops or clinics)



# In which format(s) would you prefer online library skills training to be available at UCL? (You may select 2)

Online tutorials on Moodle with interactivity and opportunities to test your learning, e.g. through quizzes

Online tutorials on the website with activities but no opportunities to test your learning

Live and/or recorded Webinars

Recordings of face to face workshops, e.g. through Lecturecast

Videos (on the website or Moodle)

Written guidance available via the website

Printable guides on the website

Please give any other comments or ideas, or leave your email address if you would be happy to be contacted for further input.