

Hillsborough Community College
Ybor City Campus

Student Success Seminar Series
Research, Writing and Documentation

Resources for Writing a Research Paper

Writing a Great Research Paper (10 DVDs)

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Step by Step Guide to Writing a Research Paper (Web site)

<http://www.ipl.org/div/aplus/>

A roadmap for picking a topic, gathering the research, organizing the results and writing the paper.

Books and e-Books

Go to www.hccfl.edu/yborlibrary (Ybor City Campus Library web page)

Click **LINCC Library Catalog**

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Click **Go** and follow on-screen directions to check availability

- ▶ **Circulating books** are available for check-out in YLRC/201
- ▶ **Reference books** are available for in-library use in YLRC/202
- ▶ **e-Books** can be read online with a valid library card number and PIN (last four digits of your Social Security number)
- ▶ **Interlibrary Loan** (ILL)

Search all community college libraries in Florida and place request online. For books unavailable through the catalog, please see library staff.

Online Periodical Articles

Journals, Magazines, Newspapers

Articles available at www.hccfl.edu/yborlibrary with library card number and PIN. Click **Online Article Databases** and follow on-screen directions and help.

Over 75 databases are available to HCC students, faculty and staff. Below are a few favorites:

- ▶ **Academic Search Premier** Contains articles, many in full-text, from magazines, newspapers, academic journals and reference sources. Broad coverage of many academic subjects.
- ▶ **America's Newspapers** Full-text articles from over 700 U.S. newspapers including *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal* and *Washington Post*. Many Florida newspapers are included.
- ▶ **Biography Resource Center** Full-text biographies of figures in literature, science, multicultural studies, business, entertainment, politics, sports, government, history, current events and arts.
- ▶ **College Source** More than 19,000 college catalogs representing 2-year, 4-year, graduate and professional schools.
- ▶ **Encyclopedia Britannica** More than 72,000 articles; 10,000 illustrations; 75,000 definitions, including pronunciation guides.
- ▶ **Health and Wellness Resource Center** Access to full-text nursing and allied health journals, encyclopedias and other reference sources. Includes alternative health resources.
- ▶ **Issues and Controversies** Current topics research information, including pro/con discussion of hot issues.
- ▶ **JSTOR** Back issues, many going back almost 100 years, of core journals in many subjects.
- ▶ **LexisNexis Academic** Full-text access to a wide range of news, business, legal and reference information.
- ▶ **Literature Resource Center** Full-text access to biographies and critical analysis of authors from every age and literary discipline.
- ▶ **Omnifile Full Text Mega Edition** Full-text periodical articles on a wide range of subjects. Coverage includes some popular magazines.
- ▶ **Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center** Viewpoint articles and contextual topic overviews on social issues. Includes statistics, newspaper and magazine articles, and suggested web sites.

Resources for Citing Your Sources

APA Style

Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 5th ed. (Reference book)
Call number: REF BF76.7 .P83 2001

APA Formatting and Style Guide

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>

MLA Style

MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers (Reference book)
Call number: REF LB2369 .G53 2003

MLA Formatting and Style Guide

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/557/01/>

Research Help

Ybor City Campus Library
YLRC 201 and 202
(813) 253-7729
E-mail: ybreference@hccfl.edu

Walk-in help available Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and
Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Appointments for reference or research assistance are recommended. To schedule, call one of the librarians: Alicia Ellison (813) 253-7731 or Jeneice Sorrentino (813) 253-7613.

Live online reference help is available through the statewide **Ask a Librarian** service from 10 am – Midnight, Sunday through Thursday; 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Friday & Saturday. Go to www.askalibrarian.org, or click the Ask a Librarian link on the HCC Libraries web page at www.hccfl.edu/library. Ask your question(s) and begin chatting with a Florida librarian.

Writing Help

► Tutorial and Writing Center - Ybor City Campus

Location: YLRC 201B

Telephone: (813) 253-7691 Fax: (813) 259-6447

E-mail: ybtutor@hccfl.edu

Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

► Smarthinking – Online Writing Help Anywhere, Anytime

Go to the HCC website at www.hccfl.edu

Click on the HawkNet link at the bottom of the page

Click on the Smarthinking link

Login using your HawkNet username and password

Send your writing to the Smarthinking Online Writing Lab. A tutor will work with you online!

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