OUTCOMES

• Learn to develop search strategies and modify them based on search results
• Become familiar with using OneSearch and accessing different types of sources
• Learn the basics of evaluating sources
REMEMBER

The Library website: ccsf.edu/library has

• 24/7 HELP FROM LIBRARIANS
• LIBRARY SKILLS WORKSHOPS (see Research Help)
• RESEARCH GUIDES (guides.ccsf.edu)

COURSE GUIDE: guides.ccsf.edu/greger

Don’t hesitate to contact us!

ONESEARCH

• OneSearch searches almost all library resources at once

• Searching a specific database, like JSTOR or the library catalog, gives you more options specific to the subject area and/or type of resource
WHAT ONESEARCH FINDS

- Articles in different databases by companies like EBSCO, Gale, JSTOR and Proquest
- Items in the library catalog, like books and video
- Streaming video from Kanopy and Films on Demand
- Ebooks from EBSCO, Safari, and more

CHOOSING SEARCH TERMS

- It’s not just technology you want to find out about, but …
- The influence of technology on society in the future
- So: technology society future
A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME …

Skim search results for alternate terms and phrases used in the literature for your topic

SO …

• Influence technology society future

Might also be:

• consequence or benefit or effect
• technolog* “artificial intelligence” or A.I. [narrower term]
• society or culture
• future
COMBINING TERMS

AND
Requires **ALL** terms to be in **every** result

OR
Results include just one of the terms

NOT
Results must not include the term
ACTIVITY – 5 MINUTES

Select terms from your topics and do a search.
Look for alternate terms in your results list.
Do you get too many results? Too few?
Do you need to narrow your search (be more specific)? Or broaden it (be more general)?

YOU PAY FOR WHAT YOU GET

• Sources you find with OneSearch are mostly things you would have to pay for, by buying books or videos or subscribing to periodicals or streaming video services.
• These materials have been made by established publishers and media companies, and vetted, often by librarians, before inclusion in the collection.
YOU PAY FOR WHAT YOU GET

• Webpages can be posted by anyone, regardless of their qualifications, and content is often “free” because of advertising, or information the website collects about you and uses, or sells to others.
• Information in library databases is paid for by the library

EVALUATE INFORMATION

Currency – When? Is the information up to date enough for the topic? Have any of the premises been disproved or changed since the source was published?

Authority – Who? Is the author widely recognized and respected in that subject area?

Accuracy – What? Are claims and assertions supported with facts from quality sources? Are other views accurately represented and addressed?

Purpose – Why was this source written? Is there a sponsoring organization? If so, evaluate it as well.
ACTIVITY – 7 MINUTES

- Go to the Activity tab of the course guide at guides.ccsf.edu/Greger
- Follow the directions for the link your group was assigned.
- Record your responses in the online form

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GIVE CREDIT & STRENGTHEN YOUR ARGUMENT!

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• Check all auto-generated citations for errors in MLA formatting
• Rules for Writers can help with citation questions
• Or, ask a librarian!

MAKE STUDENT LIFE EASIER!

• Keep source info (like title, page #, paragraph) in your notes with each idea you want to use, so that it’s easy to know when you should cite and what source to cite (This means you must take notes!).
• Format citations correctly, keeping in mind that “format” means all the details of how the citation is put together
• Use the MLA manual Rules for Writers to check your style
ASSESSMENT:
tinyurl.com/evalauth

THE END.

Thank you!
Don’t forget to contact a librarian if you need help!