BI 107: Course Presentation Resources

Refresher

- Your professor would like you to find a mix of **popular** and **scholarly** resources for your course presentation. You are also required to consult with me about your topic and resources.

- **Popular resources** are written for non-scholarly audiences; examples of popular resources include newspapers, magazines, podcasts, and (most) websites. *Google* is a good tool for finding popular resources.

- **Scholarly resources** are written for academic audiences (scholars, researchers, students, etc.); examples of scholarly resources include books in academic libraries and scholarly journal articles. The Schewe Library catalog and databases are good tools for finding popular resources.

Places to Find Scholarly Resources

- [Schewe Library Catalog] -- The best place to find books and videos; you can search I-Share items here too!

- [Combined Search] -- Searches all of Schewe Library’s databases at once (!); useful if you’re having trouble finding articles, but because it searches all our databases, some of your results may not be very relevant.


Scholarly Background Information

- Oftentimes students find that scholarly resources aren’t very helpful when it comes to finding basic information about a topic (which makes sense, because scholarly resources typically assume that you’re already familiar with a given topic, and thus, they don’t spend a lot of time dealing with background information).

- When you **need scholarly resources** and **also want some background information** on a topic, a good idea is to look in encyclopedias, handbooks, textbooks, or specialized dictionaries.

- The following resources could be helpful, and are located in our REFERENCE COLLECTION (which is found in the shelves right by the REFERENCE INFORMATION DESK):
  - *Encyclopedia of Global Health* - Reference Collection 362 .103 E56
  - *Encyclopedia of Human Biology* - Reference Collection 612 E56
  - *Encyclopedia of Human Nutrition* - Reference Collection 612 .3 E56
  - *Encyclopedia of Mental Health* - Reference Collection 616 .89 E56
  - *Grzimek’s Animal Life Encyclopedia* - Reference Collection 591 G895 2004
  - *Mosby’s Medical Dictionary* - Reference Collection 610 .3 M894