Library Research Services
Check out our range of workshops, advisory services and resources to facilitate your research and discovery!

PLANNING: Provide support in locating published research, key information about copyrights and data management plan writing

Literature and systematic search
Librarians from the Advisory and Consultation team will help you with your literature search for your assignment, project or research by email and/or face-to-face. The services include:

- Identify search terms and develop effective search strategies that can assist you in defining your topic
- Recommend relevant databases and search engines
- Find relevant sources such as books, journal articles, conference papers, market reports, data or other types of materials for your research.

Data sources/datasets acquisition consultation
Librarians provide advisory and referral service for acquisition of data sources or alternatives.

Data management planning
According to the NTU Research Data Policy, all research proposals must include a data management plan (DMP) that records the intention on how research data arising from the research project will be managed, used and shared. NTU Library provides guidance via the RDM Guide and conducts DMP workshops for PIs and/or their delegates who would like more help in the writing of their DMPs.

Copyrights and licensing guidance
Instructional and consultation services for using third-party copyrighted materials in teaching, learning, and publishing. General information on copyright can be found at Copyright and Licensing.

Information research and management seminars
The seminars aim to provide all new PhD and Masters by research students with a strong foundational knowledge of current resources, tools, methods, and practices in undertaking research in a digital environment. The 3-hour seminar is compulsory and to be taken within the first year of study.

Digital Scholarship workshops (text mining, data cleaning, GIS, infographics and more)
In the age of Big Data and open source movement, there are a number of free and powerful digital tools and online research networks which one could leverage on to boost research productivity. Check out our workshops and LibGuide to find out more.
MANAGING: Library provides advice and support on managing references, content and explore digital tools for data analysis and visualisation; provides advice and support on research data management best practices.

Develop digital portals/website for managing content
Sharing research is an important part of the scholarly process. A popular way is to create a research website to make your collection of images, videos or audio materials more easily discoverable by others. You can tap on blogs@NTU where you could simply choose from the slick design templates provided or collaborate with our in-house web designers to customise your website.

Advisory on digital tools and data visualisation
It is important to create effective visualisations to communicate the results of your research succinctly and persuasively. Join us at Digital Scholarship workshops to "tell stories with your data" and learn about cleaning data using OpenRefine, data visualization with Tableau and how machine learning and text mining can open up new possibilities for your research projects.

Reference management/document preparation workshops (EndNote, Mendeley, Zotero and LaTeX)
Reference management programs/document preparation system provide many useful features that can help you with your research such as: a) storing and organising your references; b) generating citations and bibliographies in your preferred style; and c) high quality typesetting.

NTU Library supports a variety of Reference Management Software and give you tips on how to make the most out of them.

Research data management course
Research data management e-learning course comprises four modules that cover the data lifecycle, handling sensitive data and benefits of good data management.

PUBLISHING: Provide support in disseminating your research to a broader audience; you could seek advisory on scholarly publishing such as which journals to publish in, content hosting, DOI minting, open publishing, peer review, and more.

Hosting open access journals/conference papers
The Library provides various platforms to host and present your journal or conference proceedings for open access.

DOI minting for papers and higher degree theses
Papers deposited in DR-NTU without DOIs will be assigned one upon request, at no charge. Higher degree theses deposited into DR-NTU will each be assigned a DOI.

ISBN/ISSN registration for new books and journals
If you are planning to publish a book or start a journal, we can help with the ISBN/ISSN registration.
Advisory/Workshops on scholarly publishing
Useful tips and good practices to facilitate getting your content published in appropriate venues/journals.

ORCID iD creation and consultation
Singapore funders are requiring ORCID for grant applications. NTU is looking into the use of ORCID as a means to identify research outputs at the individual researcher level. The Library provides advice in the creation, configuration and use of ORCID iDs.

IMPACTING: Provide advisory in tracking and demonstrating the impact of your research within and outside academia.

Generate citation reports for Promotion & Tenure exercises
Library provides citation reports for P&T candidates to incorporate into their dossiers upon requests from individual candidates and schools.

Enhance your research impact in academia and beyond
Advisory/ Workshops to provide useful tips and good practices to facilitate boosting your research profile, and evaluate your research impact for P&T purpose, self-assessment, grant application and contract renewal purposes.

In addition to traditional metrics to measure research impact, there are altmetrics tools that can be used to track and measure your research impact beyond academia.

Set up physical and online showcases
Occasionally researchers put up exhibitions of their research in the library. These physical exhibitions can be curated, digitised and made available online so that the content is preserved and more people could access it conveniently via the internet.

ARCHIVING: Library provides advice and support in the archival and sharing of reports, theses, research papers and research data.

Deposit papers and higher degree theses in DR-NTU for open access
Deposit the accepted versions of your journal/conference papers, PhD and Masters by research theses in DR-NTU for open access to comply with NTU Open Access Policy. Deposit your Masters by coursework thesis and FYP report into DR-NTU for restricted access to NTU community only.

Deposit research data in DR-NTU (Data)
Deposit your research data in DR-NTU (Data) to ensure that they are findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable. The Library provides data curation and publishing advice, and regular workshops on DR-NTU (Data).
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   - DII mining for papers and higher degree theses
   - ISBN/ISSN registration for books and journals
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