

Extended Essay Research

Extended Essay Guide

- In-depth study of a focused topic
- Intended to promote high-level research and writing skills, intellectual discovery, and creativity
- Formal piece of scholarship no more than 4,000 words
- Result of 40 hours of work by the student

Researching and writing the extended essay, page 7

3. Formulate a well-focused research question.
4. Plan the investigation and writing process.
 - Identify how and where to gather material.
 - Identify which system of academic referencing they will use, appropriate to the subject of the essay.

Information Cycle:

http://www.libraries.psu.edu/content/dam/psul/up/lls/audiovideo/infocycle_2008.swf

DIKW: Data, Information, Knowledge, Wisdom



Libraries:

- **Classen SAS Library** → Destiny: <https://destiny.okcps.org>

EBSCO: Username and Password: **classen, comets**

History Reference Center

Literary Reference Center Plus

Points of View


Science Reference Center

- **Oklahoma Department of Libraries**→ <http://www.odl.state.ok.us/>

Databases -- EBSCO Host: Username and Password: **oklahoma, OKCPS**

Catalogs – WorldCat: Authorization: **100259415**, Password: **hxm6fxche**

ODLOnline: <http://catalog.odl.state.ok.us/dbs.htm>

Open access 

- **Metropolitan Library System**→ <http://www.metrolibrary.org>

Databases

A to Z Maps Online

A to Z the USA

A to Z World Travel

Academic Search Premier (EbscoHost)

AccessScience (McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of Science & Technology)

African American History Online

American Indian History Online

America's Newspapers

AP Images

ArticleFirst (FirstSearch)

Associations Unlimited

AT&T Yellow and White Pages – Oklahoma City

Auto Repair Reference Center

Best's Library Center

Bibliography of Native North Americans (EbscoHost)

Biography and Genealogy Master Index

Biography Reference Bank

Book Collection Nonfiction: Elementary School Edition (EbscoHost)

Book Collection Nonfiction: High School Edition (EbscoHost)

Book Collection Nonfiction: Middle School Edition (EbscoHost)

Booklist Online, Books in Print, Business Source Premier (EbscoHost)

Columbia Gazetteer of the World

Complete Dictionary of Scientific Biography

Computer & Internet Basics, Consumer Health Complete (EbscoHost)

Consumer Reports

Cypress Resume

D & B Million Dollar Database

EbscoHost

Electric Collections Online (FirstSearch)

Encyclopedia Britannica Online for Kids

Encyclopedia Britannica Online Reference Center

ERIC (EbscoHost)

Fold3 (formerly Footnote)

Funk and Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia (EbscoHost)

Global Road Warrior

Government (FirstSearch)

GreenFILE (EbscoHost)

Grolier Online

Grove Art Online	Oklahoma Images
Grzimek's Animal Life	Oklahoma Newspapers
Health Source: Consumer Edition (EbscoHost)	Oklahoman Electronic Archives
Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition (EbscoHost)	Oxford Biblical Studies Online
HeritageQuest Online	Oxford Dictionaries
In the First Person	Oxford English Dictionary (OED)
Issues & Controversies	PapersFirst (FirstSearch)
Job & Career Accelerator	Price It! Antiques & Collectibles
Kids Search (EbscoHost)	Primary Search (EbscoHost)
Learning Express Library	Proceedings (FirstSearch)
Legal Forms Library	Professional Development Collection (EbscoHost)
Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts (EbscoHost)	Proquest – Newspapers
Literary Reference Center	ProQuest Historical Newspapers: Los Angeles Times (1881-1987)
Literature Resource Center	Reference USA, Regional Business News (EbscoHost)
LitFinder	Same Day Global Newspapers
Little Pim	Sanborn Maps
Local History Oklahoma County Building Index (OK County Buildings)	Science Online
Mango Languages	Searchasaurus (EbscoHost)
MAS Ultra – School Edition (EbscoHost)	SIRS Discoverer Deluxe
MasterFILE (EbscoHost)	SIRS Researcher
MEDLINE (EbscoHost)	Small Engine Repair Reference Center
Military & Government Collection (EbscoHost)	Student Research Center (EbscoHost)
Newsbank – Daily Oklahoman	Test Url
Newspaper Source Plus (EbscoHost)	TOPICsearch (EbscoHost)
NoveList K-8 Plus	USA Gov
Novelist Plus	Value Line
Oklahoma Folklore Collection	World Almanac (FirstSearch)
	World Cat (FirstSearch)
	World News Digest

Gale Virtual Reference Library

Google News: <http://news.google.com/>

Google Books: <http://books.google.com/>

TurnItIn: <http://www.turnitin.com>

Google Scholar: <http://scholar.google.com/>

Basic Steps in the Research Process

http://www.crlsresearchguide.org/00_basic_steps.asp

1. [Select a general topic](#) that interests you in some way.
2. [List key words](#) to help you look up information about the topic.
3. Go to an encyclopedia, or other reference source, to [get an overview](#) of the topic.
4. [Make source cards](#) for whatever sources you will use for information.
5. Using the general overview, begin to [focus the topic](#) into something you can cover well.
6. [Write a statement of purpose](#) about the focused topic.
7. [Brainstorm questions](#) about the focused topic.
8. [Group questions](#) under similar headings.
9. Add any new questions you can think of under those headings.
10. Repeat step 2, listing more key words from your newly focused topic and questions.
11. Make a [list of possible sources](#) that can answer your questions. Identify the best sources to use.
12. [Find the sources](#) in the library, on the computer, etc. [Make a source card](#) for each one you use.
13. Begin [making notecards](#). Use your brain stormed questions to guide your note taking.
14. Change your statement of purpose into a draft [thesis statement](#).
15. [Make an outline](#) of your headings. If you are ready to print your outline, try the [Outline Maker](#)
16. Refocus your [thesis statement](#) if necessary.
17. [Write the body of your paper](#) from your notes.
18. Cite any necessary information with [parenthetical citations](#).
19. Write your [introduction](#) and [conclusion](#).
20. Write your [Works Cited](#) (it is similar to a bibliography).
21. Create a [title page](#).
22. [Evaluate](#) your work.