Library & Writing Center Resources FAQ

Q: Where is the library?
A: You can find the NAU Online Library at http://library.national.edu.

Q: Where is the Writing Center?
A: You can find the NAU Writing Center at http://nauonline.edu/writingcenter.

Q: What is a subject librarian and how do I find mine?
A: A subject librarian is a specialist in their subject discipline. You can find your subject librarian here or through your Subject or Course Guide.

Q: Where can I find help choosing a topic for my paper?
A: Go to the Choose a Topic page on the Research Process Guide.

Q: How do I start searching for articles for my class?
A: In D2L, click on “Course Materials” and then “NAU Online Library” to find your Subject or Course guide. From the Online Library homepage, click on the Subject Guides tab and select a Subject or Course guide to find suggestions on starting your research.

Q: What is a peer-reviewed article and how do I find one?
A: Go to the Identify and Locate Information page on the Research Process Guide.

Q: I have a citation – how do I find the full text?
A: This pdf will show you how to find the full-text of an article from a citation.

Q: How do I find a good quality website for class?
A: Go to the Identify and Locate Information page on the Research Process Guide.

Q: Where can I find help creating a thesis statement?
A: Go to this page on the Writing Center for help with drafting a thesis statement.
Q: Where can I find help organizing my paper?
A: The Writing Center has many videos on how to organize your paper, including help for creating outlines and annotated bibliographies.

Q: Where do I go for help with my APA paper?
A: NAU uses the 6th edition of APA. For help with APA citation, review the Library’s APA Guide, which contains tutorials and handouts to help with APA.

Q: What is plagiarism and how can I avoid it?
A: The Library’s Avoiding Plagiarism Guide is a great place to start understanding the subject. If you need more help, please contact a librarian for further assistance!

Q: How do I contact someone to help me?
A: NAU librarians check AskALibrarian 7 days a week, and you can expect an answer within 24 hours!

Q: How do I find a writing tutor?
A: If you need help with your writing skills or would like help with a paper you are working on, Smarthinking can help! Smarthinking (aka Smart Thinking) is an online 24/7 tutoring service that can be accessed through D2L or the NAU Student Portal.