

Study Guides

[Study Skills Library](#)

<http://www.sas.calpoly.edu/asc/ssl.html>

The Academic Skills Center of California Polytechnic State University provides this set of information pages covering all aspects of study skills from Listening to Note Taking Tips to Time Management Strategies.

[Writing Center Handouts](#)

<http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/>

The University of North Carolina's Writing Center aims to provide "straightforward and useful advice about writing." Take a look at these wide-ranging documents that counsel university students on grammar, writing mechanics, specific citation styles for written assignments, and subject-specific writing.

[IUB Writing Tutorial Services Pamphlets](#)

<http://www.indiana.edu/~wts/pamphlets.shtml>

Indiana University at Bloomington's Writing Tutorial Services also posts a variety of useful pamphlets in both HTML and PDF form. They cover citation styles, writing different types of scholarly and career documents, and the basics of proofreading. Especially useful is their guide called [Plagiarism: What It is and How to Recognize and Avoid It](#). Plagiarism is the worst sin of academic scholarship. It is wrong and can get a student into big trouble. Yet, sometimes students use other people's words and ideas inappropriately because they don't understand what is "stealing" and what isn't. This simple guide does a good job of explaining that issue.

[McGraw-Hill/Dushkin Study Tips](#)

<http://www.dushkin.com/online/study/studymain.mhtml>

McGraw-Hill, a college textbook publisher offers this website. This specific page links visitors to various other websites that provide study skills advice. Also note the related pages for "Search Strategies" and "Research Links" to the left.

[Research Design and Methods: A Process Approach](#)

http://highered.mcgraw-hill.com/sites/0072887648/student_view0/index.html

Also from McGraw-Hill comes this website associated with the 6th edition of the text *Research*

Design and Methods. In the "Course-wide Content" orange box in the upper left of this page you will find links to additional pages offering a limited amount of social science research advice, plus links, covering topics like "APA Writing Style," "Literature Search," "Data Analysis," and "Plagiarism."

[Michael Harvey's The Nuts and Bolts of College Writing](http://nutsandbolts.washcoll.edu/nb-home.html)

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Website companion to the author's book (from Hackett Press), this website is organized into six main Sections that include Thinking, Style, Structure, Evidence and Mechanics. You can explore a section by clicking on the icon in the top border, or you can scan more specific contents listings in the blue left frame to get more of a sense of the contents of each section. An extensive and quite useful online writer's guide.

[Gale Free Resources: How to Write a Term Paper](http://www.galegroup.com/free_resources/term_paper/)

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Thomson-Gale is the company behind the popular InfoTrac databases, as well as our many literature criticism encyclopedias. As a service, they have posted this page, that is meant to guide a student through the process of writing a term paper, from choosing your topic to drafting and revising the final version of your work. Not surprisingly, this guide is oriented towards a basic literature paper.

[Guide to Writing a Basic Essay](http://members.tripod.com/~lklivingston/essay/)

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Kathy Livingston is the author of this page, which is a step-by-step guide to writing an essay. As the title indicates, the tips are fairly basic, but they are also easy to understand and step through.

[Paradigm Online Writing Assistant.](http://www.powa.org/)

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Paradigm is an interactive, menu-driven, online writer's guide and handbook written in HTML and distributed freely over the web. The site provides suggestions for writing informal, thesis, support and argumentative essays. It also discusses related topics like revising, editing, and documenting your sources.

[Research and Documentation Online](http://dianahacker.com/resdoc/)

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Here's a useful website! Ever wish you could actually see a complete example of a term paper showing the citations and document formatting in a real-life context? You can, here. Examples are offered, in PDF format, based on several documentation styles including MLA, APA, the Chicago style, and CBE. This website, by Diana Hacker, is the online version of a booklet

published by Bedford/St. Martin's called *Research and Documentation in the Electronic Age*, so the example papers do a good job of showing database and other web citations. An older [Model Documents Gallery](#) page is also maintained and can still be very useful, because it includes examples beyond "term papers." Other sample documents include persuasive memorandums, proposals, and appropriate and inappropriate business emails, as well as an example of a laboratory report.

[Ballotti Learning Center](#)

<http://www.suffolk.edu/ballotti/>

Need to find help like tutoring or study groups here at Suffolk? The Ballotti Learning Center "is an on-campus resource devoted to helping students adjust to the academic stresses of college life. The Ballotti Learning Center provides a comfortable learning environment and a home for students who are interested in finding help and improving academically." Check out their webpage, and contact them if you need personal assistance with your study issues.

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