

## Library Research Subject Guides: A "One-Stop-Shop" for Your Information Needs

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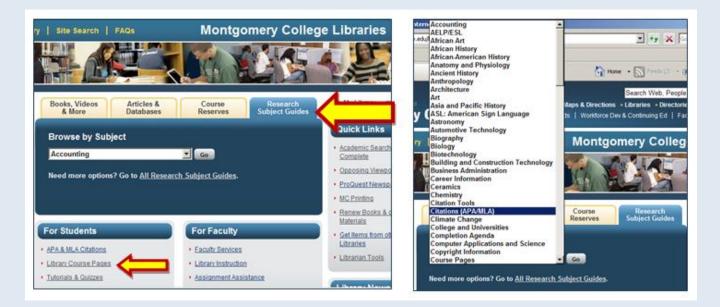
Librarians encourage students to begin their research on the Library homepage. There are so many great resources and materials available to our faculty, students, and staff at the Montgomery College Library. However, there are times when we may feel overwhelmed by the sheer volume of information available to us. The Library has a tool that takes credible resources for a subject and organizes them into a portal of discipline specific information.

Library Research Subject Guides assist users in locating a wide variety of resources, including: books, reference sources, articles and databases, films, and other materials available through the Montgomery College Library. Below is an example of a Biology guide.

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This guide was developed to help you find library resources in the biological sciences. Clicking on the tabs above will lead you to resources suggested by a librarian.			<ul> <li>Use the tabs (above) to locate different types of information about the study of biology.</li> <li>For resources targeted to a particular biology class here at Montgomery College, check our list of Course Pages.</li> </ul>						

## How to access the Library Research Subject Guides:

- 1. Visit the library homepage: <u>http://cms.montgomerycollege.edu/libraries/</u>
- 2. Click on the tab in the center of the page: Research Subject Guides
- 3. Use the drop down box to find the subject you are interested in
- 4. For a complete list of available guides visit: <u>http://libguides.montgomerycollege.edu/</u>



Library Course Pages are similarly designed but are customizable based on course content and/or assignments. A professor works with a librarian to create a portal to all the best resources their students can, and should, take advantage of. The guides may be used to assist students in thinking critically about their information needs by providing information about the best searching practices, evaluating websites, and other researching skills. To access them, click on Library Course Pages, under the heading For Students. Visit the Library Resources page for information on how to contact a Librarian if you are interested in setting up a Library Course Page for your class.

If you are interested in sharing your favorite technology tips, please submit to Gloria Barron, at <u>gloria.barron@montgomerycollege.edu</u>.