

# UNLV Libraries Graduate Workshop Series *Fall 2017*



Supporting graduate students in all phases of research, from finding and interpreting sources to considering outlets for publishing your work.

For complete information or to register, please visit

<https://www.library.unlv.edu/services/instruction/workshops>

Questions?

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## Description of Workshops

**Teaching at UNLV for the first time? The Libraries are here to help!**

This workshop is for new instructors, graduate assistants, and others who are responsible for helping students develop research skills. Enjoy a guided tour of the technology, collections, services and support the Libraries offer to enhance your students' learning.

*September 19, 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm  
Eureka Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)*

### **Crafting Your Poster Presentation (Part 1)**

Experts from the Writing Center and UNLV Libraries share document design and technical tips for crafting and presenting academic and professional posters. Registration required (limited to 20 participants).

*September 26, 10:00 am - 11:30 am  
Amargosa Room (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)*

### **Beginning SPSS**

Basic procedures for formatting and running the SPSS program to compute descriptive statistics. Includes: 1. How to create and format a data file for processing your variables. 2. How to input the data into the data file, and 3. How to make SPSS compute descriptive statistics from the data you input into the file.

*September 26, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
Rhyolite Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)*

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## RefWorks

If you have used Refworks in the past, or if you are a new user and want to see what RefWorks is like, join us for this introduction to this online bibliographic citation manager. Prior experience with library databases required. Space limited to 12 participants.

September 28, 2:30 pm – 3:45 pm  
Pioche Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## Beginning SciFinder

Introduces SciFinder Scholar, the Chemical Abstracts online database. Includes strategies for topic-based searching, searching for patents, and searching for substances by drawing the chemical structure. Related event: On October 11th at 10 am, the Libraries will host a SciFinder Scholar representative who will lead an intermediate to advanced workshop as part of our Research Week Workshop Series.

September 29, 2:00 pm – 3:15 pm  
Rhyolite Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## Strategies for Research in Archives and Special Collections

This workshop is for anyone planning to use unique materials in library special collections and archives either at UNLV or at another library, archive or museum. Participants will learn to locate where collections are held, use collection descriptions and finding aids to discover relevant material, and share tips on collecting and organizing the historical gems they uncover.

October 3, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
Special Collections Reading Room (LLB 3<sup>d</sup> Floor)

## Evaluating New Journals for Publication: What Authors Need to Know

This workshop will provide practical advice and hands-on experience in evaluating unfamiliar and new journals. Attendees will leave the workshop with a better understanding of publishing terminology such as "open access" and "article processing charges." Includes the concept of "predatory publishers." (Also being given in conjunction with Research Week)

October 9, 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm  
Pioche Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## Crafting Your Poster Presentation (Part 2)

Practice presenting your poster in a low-stakes environment. We will present on the Amargosa classroom's large-screen monitors, so you can get feedback on your poster before you pay to print your final version. Registration required (limited to 20 participants).

October 10, 10:00 am – 11:30 am  
Amargosa Room (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## Effective Survey Design from Planning to Implementation

Provides guidance on designing the appropriate survey for your project. Hands-on session includes tips for developing an instrument, constructing effective questions, administering surveys, and basic survey analysis.

October 10, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm  
Amargosa Room (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## Identifying External Funding

Learn about resources and strategies to locate grant and fellowship opportunities that can support your education and research.

October 10, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm  
Rhyolite Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## US Census Workshop: Data on a Deadline

Learn how to use a variety of data access tools available online at census.gov that can quickly provide a snapshot of your community.

October 17, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm  
Pioche Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

## Locating Standards Documents / TechStreet

Learn about engineering and architecture standards documents, what UNLV libraries provide, and how to search for them and request them using TechStreet and other databases.

November 3, 10:00 am – 11:00 am  
Pioche Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

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November 6, 10:00 am – 11:15 am  
Pioche Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

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### US Census Workshop: Your Business by the Numbers: Introduction to Economic Programs

Covers basic navigation of the Census website, including an introduction to American FactFinder, a portal to Census data, and an overview of data available from the Economic Census, Survey of Business Owners, the Census Business Builder, and other business tools pertinent to marketing, managing and growing your business.

November 9, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm  
Pioche Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

### Data Across the Disciplines

Showcases interdisciplinary data and statistical sources at UNLV Libraries, including Data-Planet, Roper Center-iPOLL Databank, and the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR). Please contact Patrick Griffis ([patrick.griffis@unlv.edu](mailto:patrick.griffis@unlv.edu)) or Heidi Johnson ([heidi.johnson@unlv.edu](mailto:heidi.johnson@unlv.edu)) by November 10 to learn how to create accounts for these resources in advance of the workshop.

November 14, 10:00 am – 11:30 am  
Eureka Classroom (LLB 1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

### Scholarly Identity: Who are you? What are you doing here? Using ORCID and other tools to promote and keep track of your scholarly identity

Learn how (and why) to keep track of your publications, which social networking sites for academics are worth your time, and how to assert your identity as an emerging scholar/professional. This workshop will introduce students to researcher identifiers such as ORCID iDs, persistent identifiers and how to get them, and ways to measure impact (such as altmetrics).

November 15, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
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