

4. Literature searching

Information Literacy

The Open University offers a very comprehensive guide on how to access, find and retrieve information (SAFARI). The guide is very accessible and packed with activities.

http://www.open.ac.uk/safari/php_pages/about_safari.php

Finding and evaluating Internet sources

Intute offer an online tutorial 'Internet Detective' which guides you in the best ways to find and evaluate resources that you find on the Internet

<http://www.vts.intute.ac.uk/detective/>

Writing your literature review

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill offers a clear and concise overview of what a literature review and how you go about writing one

http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/literature_review.html

Bibliographic Software

Glasgow University Library has a page where it outlines what bibliographic software packages do and why they are useful for large projects, like dissertation. The page also links out to some of the packages that are available. You should check whether any of these packages are supported by your institution.

<http://www.lib.gla.ac.uk/researchskills/bibsoftware.shtml>