

Assignment #3: Database Presentation

This assignment is worth **10% of your grade**

Presentations: 10/21

You (and your teammates) will give a **10 minute presentation** on your assigned database (to be assigned on 10/7). Topics you should cover include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Name of database (Is this an acronym? If so, what does the name mean?)
- How to access your database (How do you get to this database from the library website? Can this database be used from off-campus?)
- Subject(s) your database covers (Talk about specific subjects your database covers)
- Information about the database vendor (Who produces this database? Does the vendor supply other databases? How long has this company existed? *Hint: The vendor is the company who supplies the database*)
- Explain the options in a basic search versus advanced search (if available)
- How can you limit your search? What limits are available? (For example, ability to limit to scholarly journals, full text, date ranges, etc.)
- Can you use truncation? Wildcards? What symbols should be used?
- During your presentation, perform a sample search and talk about the search results:
 - What order are the results given (By date? Relevance?)
 - Do you see just abstracts? Citations?
 - Is full text available? (.pdf? or .html?)
- What can you do with your search results?
 - E-mail?
 - Print?
 - Save?
- Will you use this database in the future? Why would it be useful to you?
- Who is the librarian you could consult for this subject area? (*Hint: <http://library.uncw.edu/directory/liaison>*)

You are not required to use PowerPoint for this presentation but are welcome to do so. Not every team member has to speak but every member of the team must contribute equally. You will have the opportunity to evaluate your team members' contributions to the presentation.

In addition to the presentation you must **create a 1 page handout for your classmates** about your database and e-mail your handout to Ms. Pemberton (pembertona@uncw.edu) **BEFORE the beginning of class on 10/21**. These handouts will be posted on the course blog.