RESEARCH RESOURCES

for UARK Graduate Students

Your one-stop shop for anything involving research.

This Research Resources guide is an excellent go-to for information on:

Grants & Funding Opportunities

·Graduate School & International Education (GSIE)

- The GSIE Travel Grant webpage has info on percentage of funds awarded, eligibility requirements, and getting funding for traveling to conferences to present research. The travel grants include:

  - **Presentation Travel Grants**: for travel-related expenses

  - **Research Travel Grants** (PhD and EdD students only): for research activities necessary for completion of dissertation

  - **International Travel Supplement** (PhD and EdD students only): for travel-related expenses related to international conferences and symposiums.

- The Travel and Research Funding page has information about the following awards:

  - **A.L. Chilton Foundation Award**: awarded to assist with travel for research or other research-related expenses

  - **Collis Geren Award**: available to College of Arts and Sciences students

  - **Tipton Family Academic Enrichment Fund**: available to Higher Education students

Grants & Funding Opportunities

Graduate-Professional Student Congress

- GPSC Tiffany Marcantonio Research Grant: awards up to $1500 to fund original grad student research

- GPSC Travel/Conference Grant: awards up to $500 for DSO members or DSO-eligible applicants for research presentation

- A Research Colloquium is held every spring by GPSC to showcase and award authors of diverse research; stay updated on the next event by checking the GPSC website.

GrantForward

- GrantForward is a research funding database created by academic professionals; the website features a search engine where you can search for funding opportunities, vetted by a team of specialists to ensure reputable, accurate sources.

Grants & Funding Opportunities

WAYS TO FUND YOUR RESEARCH

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program

- The NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program is a competitive 5-year fellowship awarded to graduate researchers in STEM concentrated-work.

Other Grant & Funding Resources

- UARK Libraries has a webpage that lists different grant and funding opportunities from reputable websites, state and federal funding, and articles about grant writing.

- GSIE has an External Funding page where you can filter and search for specific disciplines, types of funding and more.

Research Award Opportunities

Nationally Competitive Awards Directory

- Check out the Fellowship and Scholarship Directory for Nationally Competitive Awards via the UARK website; the Office of Nationally Competitive Awards aims to help students with these awards.

Special Collections Speaker Series

- UARK Libraries offers an on-campus, annual Special Collections Speaker series that gives graduate students to present research they have done using Special Collections materials; honorariums are awarded to each speaker.

3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Contest

- The annual Three Minute Thesis is an on-campus contest that challenges participants to effectively communicate and present their research in under 3 minutes; winners from each college and the overall winner can win monetary prizes.

UARK General Research Resources

Guided Research Presentations

- Check out this list of recorded online presentations that cover various aspects of research topics:

- Research: How to Get it Paid For with GPSC

- Research Exploration: Tools for the Graduate Students

- Static Web-Scraping for Researchers

- Your Next Big Idea: Starting Your Research with Web of Science

- Staying Current: Keeping Track of Publications in Your Field

- Where Should I Publish and What's In A Name?

- Evaluating Your Citation Impact: What Do the Numbers Mean?

UARK Research

- The UARK Research Page has information on university research, campus resources, and more.

- Responsible Conduct of Research CITI Online Training

- Identifying Predatory Journals

ScholarWorks

- The ScholarWorks website is dedicated to the collection, exposure, and sharing of research from faculty and students and includes presentations, publications, student work and teaching materials.

- Check out past grad students' submitted theses and dissertations.

- Check out the ScholarWorks Grad Student Submission page for information on how to submit your research.

Cultivate the Writer

ONLINE WRITING WORKSHOPS

- <u>Cultivate the Writer</u> specializes in online workshops regarding academic writing and research/publication writing.

- Sessions are geared towards skills specific to writing and specific to the thesis and dissertation process.

- The Office of Graduate Student Support has purchased a membership that allows current UARK graduate students, by signing up, to have free access to over 20 webinars and a 5% discount on editing and writing coaching services.

- Use the <u>Box folder that contains step-by-step instructions in PDF and video format on how to sign up</u>.

Example of Topics Covered:

- "The Topic Funnel: Narrowing Ideas to Research-Worthy Topics"

- "Getting Funded: Writing a Stellar Proposal for Grants and Other Research Funding"

- "Be Productive: A Project Management Approach to Finishing Your Dissertation/Thesis"

- "Articulate Research Well: How to Write a Comprehensive Research Statement"

- "Presentation Skills: Speaking to Academic and Non-Academic Audiences"

Cultivate the Writer contains these topics and 20+ more webinar's worth of content

UARK Library Research Guides

The UARK Library Research Guides is a source for databases, citation, publication, writing material, and learning how to organize and manage data. Below are some resources from the Research Guides that can aid in finding research:

Databases

- Check out this page of UARK Databases by Title and Subject Link.

- Web of Science covers multiple databases in all fields.

  - Clarivate Training on Web of Science provides library training on how to use this website.

- Getting Started with PsychINFO offers a beginner's guide on how to navigate PsychINFO.

  - The PsychINFO Quick Reference Guide (PDF) is a reference on how to use PsychINFO through EBSCOhost and use Advanced Search mode.

- Getting Started with JSTOR offers a guide on how to navigate the commonly used database JSTOR.

- Getting Started with Data Planet offers guidance on how to use Data Planet, which provides access to statistical data from federal agencies and private organizations.

Information

- Every graduate student can be helped by their own subject librarian, who works with UARK Libraries and can help you find access to academic sources, materials, and more; find your subject librarian according to your discipline.

- Special Collections Resources gives information for grad students interested in doing research involving Special Collections.

- The Ask Us webpage is a forum where librarians answer questions about library resources submitted by students.

- Mullins Library Calendar provides info about upcoming trainings and workshops presented by subject librarians.

Access

- Connecting From Off-Campus offers support on how to achieve remote access to library databases and other services.

- Use Interlibrary Loan to request academic material that may not be readily available.

Citation Managers

UARK Libraries works with 3 different citation managers, Mendeley, Zotero, and Endnote, and has specialists that work with each platform; UARK Libraries also provides resources for each citation manager, navigating how to get familiar with and use each resource. Click on the links before for more information:

Check out this Comparison Chart to compare the features between each citation manager and decide which is the best fit for you and your research.

Zotero

- Free with option of purchasing additional storage

- Requires installation on computer for full features

- Zotero Resource Guide

EndNote

- Free version available through UARK Libraries

- Associated with Web of Science

- EndNote Resource Guide

Mendeley

- Free with option of purchasing additional storage

- Integrates with ScienceDirect

- Features academic social network

- Mendeley Resource Guide

Citing Reputable Sources

It's important to know how to distinguish reputable resources from non-reputable ones and how to look for essential information within that published resource to have it properly cited. Utilize the following resources:

UARK Libraries:

- Credibility: Identifying Reputable Sources

- Your Scholarly Reputation has information about managing and creating your scholarly reputation.

Purdue OWL:

- Using Citation Generators Responsibly

Excelsior Online Writing Lab:

- Use the Locating Reference Information page when you're having a hard time finding the specifics needed to cite sources (ex: author, journal, year published, etc).

Avoiding Plagiarism

CREATING CREDIBLE & QUALITY WORK

1. Turnitin.com

- Turnitin.com is dedicated to helping students identify potential plagiarism and double check written work before submission.

- Students can submit their papers and Turnitin will review their work and verify its originality.

- The U of A provides graduate students with access to a free account to Turnitin; find instructions on how to sign up.

2. The Office of Academic Initiatives & Integrity

- UARK Academic Integrity Policy and Academic Integrity Sanction Rubric

- Academic Integrity Process

- Common Academic Violations

- Student FAQs

- Need to contact the Office of Academic Integrity? Email honesty@uark.edu or call (479)-575-5229

Avoiding Plagiarism

3. Other Resources

UARK Resources

- Academic Integrity Guide

- Copyright and Fair Use

- Intellectual Properties in Engineering

- Plagiarism: What it Is and How to Avoid It

Excelsior OWL Resources

- Check Your Understanding of Plagiarism interactive quiz

- Use the Avoiding Plagiarism Tutorial to understand and identify the seven types of plagiarism that can occur.

Purdue OWL Resources

- Best Practices for Writers details practices that can help you avoid plagiarizing or copying published work.

- "Should I Cite This" Poster serves as a useful reference for knowing when to cite written work.

- Plagiarism Exercise tests your knowledge of when and where to cite.

- Common Knowledge and Attribution Guide describes what common knowledge is and how to distinguish it from work that needs to be cited.

Other Resources

1. Connected Papers

- Connected Papers is a website that organizes relevant academic material by a visual diagram. Search topic keywords or an article and the website will visually connect content in a diagram by their relevance and similarity to the original topic or article.

- Connected Papers is great for gathering background information about a research topic or discovering related research that is synonymous with your research focus.

2. Recite

- Recite is a website that checks your in-text citations to make sure they match your reference list at the end of your research paper. It can also catch citation errors in your work.

- Note: Recite is best suited for APA and Harvard-style papers.

3. Research Rabbit

- Research Rabbit is an integrative, online tool that allows you to search for articles, add and organize them in collections, and generates suggestions for related authors and material. Research Rabbit can also connect with a Zotero account to streamline shared academic papers.

- Scroll through interactive web map visualizations of related papers, discover author networks, and share your research collections with others.

UARK Offices

1. Writing Studio

- Virtual and in-person consultations are available with graduate consultants throughout the academic year (fall, spring, summer, and intersessions).

- Writing resource webpages feature information and examples of citation styles and formatting for papers.

- Writing workshops

- Writing groups to collaborate with other students in the writing process

- Graduate consultants specialized in different fields of study

- Need to contact the Writing Studio? Email uawrite@uark.edu

2. Office of Graduate Fellowships, Enrollments, and Graduation Services

- This office can provide resources and help for financial awards and funding databases for research and cost information.

- Have a question about research funding? Email gradfund@uark.edu or call (479) 575-5869.

UARK Offices

3. Thesis & Dissertation Office

- This Thesis and Dissertation Guide gives an overview of the requirements needed to properly format and style your thesis/dissertation.

- Have a question about your thesis or dissertation? Email gradtad@uark.edu or call (479) 575-4401

4. Office of Graduate Student Support

- We can support you by directing you towards resources you can utilize as a grad student.

- Check out our Student Resources page for info to a variety of resources.

- Want to talk with us about your specific needs? Email us at gradsupport@uark.edu or call (479) 575-7038