

Orientation for new Education students

Library resources and academic writing
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Library Catalogue

See Handout
Library Help Overview

- Accessing the Library Catalogue
 - BOOKMARK this page!
 - <http://library.morling.edu.au:8280>
- Logging in to the Catalogue
 - Reserving books
 - Renewing loans
- Help guides (LibGuides)
 - Education resources
 - APA referencing guide

Accessing online resources

Sources of journal articles (research articles)

1. Print (in Library Journal Room), request an article to be scanned and emailed to you by emailing library@morling.edu.au
2. Databases: EBSCO and ProQuest
3. Other journals the Library subscribes to
4. Ebooks: Accessed via the EBSCO database platform

Links to these items are on the Library Catalogue page and the Essentials for Education page

See Handout
EBSCO & ProQuest Databases 2019.pdf

Accessing online resources - *OpenAthens*

OpenAthens (OA) is a service that operates in the background to authenticate you as a Morling student and allows you to access the online resources. An OA account will be created for you when your enrolment is finalised.

Online resources

EBSCO databases and ebooks

ProQuest databases

Approximately 40 individual journals

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OpenAthens_Intro_for_Students_Feb19.pdf

Academic writing at graduate & post-graduate level

- Referencing standards are rigorous
- Build up a personal library of every book or journal article reference that you use throughout your Masters
- Maintain these in Endnote, or Endnote Web
- Invest time in learning Endnote or Endnote Web now – this will pay dividends for every assignment you work on throughout your Masters degree
- Analysing the assignment question accurately is crucial; knowing the genres of academic writing is key, e.g. case study, essay, literature review.
- Draw upon the relevant literature as evidence
- Choose high-quality research sources: peer-reviewed journals, recent books, classic works
- As a guide, expect to use 3 references for every 500 words: a 3,000 word assignment would most likely have a reference list of at least 18 sources
- Paragraph structure: as a guide, 3 – 8 sentences per paragraph; the first sentence is the 'topic sentence'; remaining sentences are evidence, references and argument to support paragraph topic

Academic writing at graduate & post-graduate level

Academic Writing LibGuide

<http://morlingcollege.libguides.com/academic-writing>

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Morling College Academic Writing LibGuide homepage. The browser's address bar shows the URL morlingcollege.libguides.com/academic-writing. The page features the Morling College logo on the left and the text "MORLING COLLEGE" in large orange letters. Below the logo, there is a navigation menu with links for "Home", "Publication Style", "Assignment Question", "Assignment Genre", "Verbs", "Tense", "Workflow", "Referencing", "Anthropomorphism", and "Plagiarism". A search bar is located on the right side of the page. The main content area is titled "Academic Writing: Home" and includes a brief description of the resources available.

Referencing/Endnote

All referencing in Education uses APA 6th edition referencing style

APA. (2010). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (6th ed.). Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

- No footnote referencing
- Library's APA6 referencing guide <http://morlingcollege.libguides.com/apareferencing>
- Education Moodle - Essentials for Education Students
- Wherever possible, export citations from the Library Catalogue, or from other universities' catalogues, or from <http://worldcat.org>
- Import citations into Endnote/EndnoteOnline (formerly EndnoteWeb), some tidying up editing will be required.
- Insert the citation directly into MS Word via the interface with Endnote, this will automatically build the Reference List for your assignment

Morling APA Referencing LibGuide

Help with APA 6th Ed. referencing; explanations and examples:

<http://morlingcollege.libguides.com/apareferencing>