MLA Style Guide Updates for 2009!

MLA updated their citation style for 2009. The library made new handouts for students that are available at the LSCS Libraries web site and in the library. A short list of some of the changes follows:

- Use italics for titles of books and databases instead of underlining.
- Remove country, state, province, etc.
- Designations for place of publication needed – list the city only
- List a publication medium now in all citations. Put either “print” or “web” for the publication medium of most sources. There is no need to list URLs unless professors specify.
- Include volume and issue numbers for all journals regardless of how they are paged. If you don’t have an issue number, just put the volume.
- Use a plus sign and period after the first page number of the article for all print or web multi-paged articles that are not consecutive: "192+.

Find Faculty-Related Pages on LSCS Website

Although the library website has been centralized, all information you need are still there. Many of the items frequently used are still available at: http://www.lonestar.edu/lib-services-faculty.htm

- Request a library instruction session
- Put materials on reserve in the library

Additionally, research guides developed for specific classes and disciplines are found at: http://www.lonestar.edu/research-guides-cyfair.htm.

Review which LSC-CyFair librarian serves as liaison for your department at: http://www.lonestar.edu/2438.htm.

The link to research databases is listed on the left side navigation area of the LSCS Libraries home page. Or you can start searching at: http://www.lonestar.edu/article-databases.htm.
Interesting New Sites for Your Classes

In our travels on the Internet, we found some websites of potential interest to faculty.

- **Your Morals**
  http://www.yourmorals.org/
  Although students are quick to label themselves as liberal or conservative, they often don’t realize that much of their viewpoints are colored by their values, such as fairness, benevolence, gratitude, etc. This site helps them see their attitudes in relation to other people. The creators of the site teach social sciences at the University of Virginia and the University of California.

- **Project Implicit**
  http://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/
  Prejudice is often a subtle personality trait, with people unaware of the biases they carry. Project Implicit lets viewers explore their subconscious by how they respond to words and pictures. Developed at Harvard University as a research project.

- **Book Glutton**
  http://www.bookglutton.com
  Allows students to comment on online texts of classic works, as they’re reading it. The comments permit a discussion with other readers, not just those in their class.

- **Storm Pulse**
  http://www.stormpulse.com/
  A commercial hurricane tracking site that compiles information from a variety of weather sites.

- **Sonnet Board**
  http://thesonnetboard.yuku.com/directory
  A moderated site for students to submit sonnets and get feedback.

- **Sporcle**
  http://www.sporcle.com/
  Quiz yourself. Although most of the quizzes are for fun, there are maps, anatomy and foreign word quizzes here.

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**Interlibrary Loan Request Form**

Interested in an item not available at any of the libraries in our system? Place the request directly online. Go to http://www.lonestar.edu/interlibrary-request.htm. Of course, the librarians are still happy to make the request for you if you would prefer.

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**Library in LSC-Online**

Did you know that in Angel, the new interface for distance classes, you can have your students access the library at one click of the mouse? Just have them go to Institutional Resources and voilà! They can chat with a librarian, email a question, call a reference librarian about their works cited page, or even read a book or magazine article. Ask the librarian about our special services for online classes.

We can find articles or ebooks for your students to read online, we can join a chat session to help facilitate research, or we can design subject guides for a particular research assignment. Contact your subject librarian listed at http://www.lonestar.edu/2438.htm for more details.

Get help online via live chat at:

http://www.lonestar.edu/library

You’ll be glad you did!
The Lone Star College System has been favorably portrayed in the national press lately, for the purchase of the HP property and the bond referendum. The Wall Street Journal touted the great financial savings made by waiting to purchase the campus until the market downturn. Read the full article at: http://online.wsj.com/article/SB124276899952236343.html.

The Chronicle of Higher Education covered these events in an article titled “Making Friends With Locals Helps Community College Win Referendum.” To quote from the paper:

To pull those feats off so quickly, the college improved its marketing, better focused its spending, and made some new friends — even with old enemies. The changes show what can happen when a college board makes an effort to get its local community to support a budget from the beginning, instead of trying to sway public opinion after it is

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Selected students and their instructors were treated to a luncheon in May and three students were given gift cards by the Friends of the Library. These students received nomination for the Library Research Award.

Winners:

1st place: Amy Mitamura
Project title: History of Radiation Safety
Instructor: Cynthia Robertson
Course: RADR 1409

2nd place: Victoria Marie Bee
Project Title: Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)
Instructor: Michelle Brown
Course: ENGL 2342

3rd place: Maria A. Partearroyo
Project Title: Universal Health Care, a Right to Pursue
Instructor: Bindu Nayar
Course: ENGL 1301

Winners will receive college scholarships in the following values:

1st place: $500
2nd place: $300
3rd place: $100

For more information about the Student Research Award, contact reference librarians, Tracy Williams or Monica Norem.

Discover or review tips for reworking syllabi and assignments to promote academically honest behavior in students at:
http://www.lonestar.edu/departments/libraries/cyfair_library/academicintegrity.pdf. These tips were adapted by Academic Appeals Committee chair Monica Norem.

Monica also maintains a blog on academic integrity and workplace ethics titled “What’s Right, Wrong and It Depends,” where she cites related examples in the news.

The address is http://valueintegrity.blogspot.com/.

Recent entries concern students purposefully submitted fake files to professors and “The View” host, Elizabeth Hasselbeck being accused of plagiarism.

If you would like to have a session on academic integrity for one of your classes, the library offers a game of Scruples developed for students.

Contact instruction librarian, Rose Botkin, for more details or schedule a session at: http://libraryapps.northharriscollege.com/apps/visit/instructorsform.asp.
We’re where you are.
Librarians have offices in the faculty suites to better assist you and your students.

**Arts Building**
Dorrie Scott 832-482-1023 ARTS 113M

**Technology Building**
Monica Norem 281-290-3244 TECH 200Q
Patsy Brautigam 832-422-1006 TECH 200H
Susan Green 281-290-3242 TECH 216Q
Amy Mollberg 832-422-1007 TECH 216I
Ruth McDonald 281-290-3973 TECH 100L

**Health Sciences Building**
Anthony McMillan 281-290-5997 HSC 117K

**Learning Commons**
Rose Botkin 281-290-5937 LRNC 101B
Tracy Williams 281-290-3243 LRNC 101D
Claire Gunnels 281-290-3241 (on sabbatical fall 2009) LRNC 101E
Melanie Wachsmann 281-290-3400 LRNC 106

Harris County Public Library
Lone Star College-CyFair Branch
Circulation Desk: 281-290-3210
Reference Desk: 281-290-3214

http://www.lonestar.edu/library

Mick Stafford, Library Director

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**Learning Signature Materials**

Looking for some tips on incorporating our learning signature in your class? Why reinvent the wheel? There are many helpful materials available in the teaching and learning collection, located on the first floor of the library, near the study rooms, on the west side of the library. There are also ebooks available online through the NetLibrary database or the library catalog.

**Learning Communities**

*Online collaborative learning communities: twenty-one designs to building an online collaborative learning community* Chih-Hsiung Tu (2004) 371.334 Tu


**Active Learning**

*Engaging ideas: he professor’s guide to integrating writing, critical thinking, and active learning in the classroom* John C. Bean (2001) 808.042 Bea


**Service Learning**

*Service learning: a guide to planning, implementing, and assessing student projects* Sally Berman 361.37 Ber

**Building partnerships for service-learning** Barbara Jacoby and Associates (2003) 378.103 Jac

**Internationalizing the Curriculum**

*Applying multicultural and global concepts in the classroom and beyond* Susan C. Brown, Marcella L. Kysilka (2002) 370.117 Bro

*Teaching ethnic diversity with film: essays and resources for educators in history, social studies, literature and film studies* edited by Carole Gerster with Laura W. Zlogar (2006) 370.117 Tea