

MELBOURNE'S SCHOLARLY & DIGITAL LITERACY FRAMEWORK

Building critical capabilities for learning, research and work in a digital world

CAPABILITIES

DIRECTED RESEARCH

GUIDED RESEARCH

SELF-DIRECTED RESEARCH

Students engage with technologies and undertake learning and research within specified parameters

Students explore technologies and undertake some self-determined learning and research within broad guidelines

Students/ researchers undertake research with a high degree of autonomy, utilising a range of technologies to create new scholarship



1. Search

Finds the right type of information using the right tools

Clarifies understanding of the task, identifies key concepts, and establishes the type and scope of information required

Uses essential search tools and strategies to seek information and reviews results for relevance

Revises search tools and strategies as required

Develops manageable research questions within set guidelines and uses basic disciplinary knowledge to determine the type and scope of information required

Uses some discipline-specific and multidisciplinary tools and advanced search strategies to seek information and reviews results for relevance

Refines tools and strategies as required

Formulates a complex line of scholarly inquiry and employs strong disciplinary knowledge to determine the type and scope of information required

Uses a wide variety of discipline-specific and multidisciplinary tools to seek a diverse range of information

Regularly refines and updates strategies as new information is discovered to ensure ongoing currency



2. Evaluate

Analyses information and the strategies used to find it

Examines information for relevant facts, concepts, insights and evidence to develop understanding and respond to the task

Evaluates the suitability of information using task-specific criteria and reflects on how the tools, strategies and results suit the task

Analyses a diverse range of information for relevant concepts, themes, methodologies and evidence to extend and challenge understandings

Evaluates the suitability of information using discipline-specific criteria and reflects on how the tools, strategies and results suit the task

Explores a comprehensive range of information for relevant themes, trends, relationships, methodologies and evidence to extend knowledge and identify gaps in existing research

Evaluates the suitability of information using both discipline-specific and self-defined criteria and reflects on the efficacy of the research process



3. Organise

Manages information collected and generated

Uses basic principles, systems and digital tools to manage data and information

Uses appropriate digital tools and applies systematic, standardised principles to manage data and information

Considers preservation issues when evaluating formats and technologies

Critically evaluates the affordances and limitations of various technologies and makes informed decisions about information and data management and preservation

Establishes standards-based information and data management practices across all aspects of the research process



4. Create

Uses and communicates information using appropriate conventions and technologies

Creates and communicates scholarly outputs for specified audiences, adhering to academic and professional conventions and using appropriate information and technologies

Demonstrates a basic understanding of ethical and legal issues (eg. academic integrity and copyright) associated with using and creating scholarly outputs

Explores a range of technologies to create, communication and curate scholarly outputs for a range of audiences and purposes, following appropriate conventions

Demonstrates a deep understanding of ethical and legal issues associated with using and creating scholarly outputs

Creates and communicates scholarly outputs that follow established and emerging disciplinary conventions and uses a range of technologies to communicate and curate content in innovative ways

Integrates an extensive understanding of cultural, ethical and legal issues associated with the research process and makes outputs available for use and reuse via open access platforms



5. Connect

Builds networks to collaborate and connect

Demonstrates a basic understanding of the role of social media and online collaboration tools in fostering collaboration and scholarship

Engages with the concept of a digital identity and demonstrates an understanding of key issues such as online safety, privacy and security

Co-produces scholarly outputs through a range of social media and online collaboration tools

Establishes and manages own digital identity, making decisions underpinned by a sophisticated understanding of context, privacy and security

Uses social media and online collaboration tools to connect and collaborate with an extensive network of researchers to create and share new disciplinary knowledge

Establishes an active online profile and manages own research identifiers, track record and impact