

A step in the right direction:

Tiered library instruction for ESL Writing classes at Murray State University



Tiered Learning

Our definition:

Meeting the learning / resource needs of our students at the level they are learning, and building on those resources to meet future academic needs as students progress.

Why:

- Information overload
- Frustration with advanced resources

University Libraries

- Spring 2013 / Fall 2014
- Library Liaison, Department Chair, Faculty
- Based on core classes for majors
- 250+ individual sections / classes each term
- Currently reassessing courses to see if we are targeting the correct courses
- 2014 ESL



Non-native Writers

- Student needs
 - Academic writing
 - Locating / Using sources in writing
 - Avoiding plagiarism
 - Decision-making
- Instructor needs
 - Explaining US academic culture
 - Finding sources





Level 2 / 3: The library as a place

- What does the level mean?
- Learning Outcomes
 - How to use the physical library
 - How to locate a book
 - How to ask a question
 - How to check out a book

Lesson Plan

- Interactive Tour of Building
- Demonstrating Library Actions
- Book Hunt

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Level 5:

The virtual library

- What does the level mean?
- Learning Outcomes
 - How to use the online library
 - How to find a subject librarian
 - How to find writing help
 - Basic introduction to Discovery Service (Primo Search)
 - Basic introduction to Academic Search Complete

International Student Information: Home

A guide to assist International students at Murray State.

Home	Subject Librarians	Finding Books and Articles	Writing Basics	Language Practice	Library Terms	Computer Issues	Library Tutorials
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Welcome!



International Student Library Guide

The International Student Library Guide is designed to assist Non-Native speakers in using Waterfield Library.

- **Subject Librarians**
A list of librarians and the academic departments / subjects they specialize in helping.
- **Finding Books and Articles**
This page has information and tutorials for using RacerTrac and Article Databases.

Ask Us!

 Ask Us	 Text
 Phone	 Email

<http://libguides.murraystate.edu/c.php?g=54933>

Lesson Plan

- International Student LibGuide
- How to find help
- Plagiarism
- Citing Sources
- Writing Center
- Computer Issues
- Library Terms
- Academic Search Complete

Level 6: Academic Search COMPLETE



- What does the level mean?
- Learning Outcomes
 - How to use Academic Search Complete
 - How to find a peer reviewed article

Lesson Plan

- Review basic search
- How to locate a Peer Reviewed journal
- Narrowing / Limiting Search
- Wildcards (“”) *
- Booleans
- Interlibrary Loan
- Demonstrations

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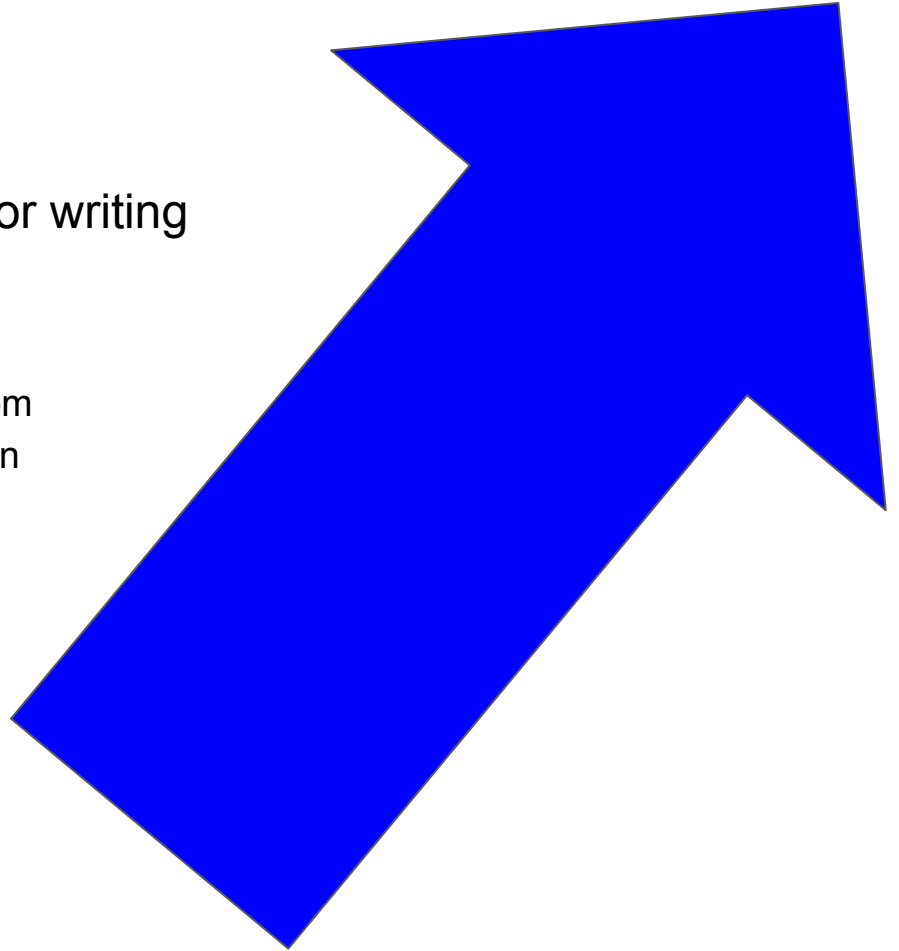
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The ESL Scaffold: How has it worked?

- Effectiveness in Writing Courses
- Library Instruction Assessments
- Relationship between students and librarian

Moving Forward

- Continue with the tiers / scaffold for writing classes
- Possible scenarios:
 - Embed librarian into Canvas classroom
 - Require students to meet with librarian
 - Two Session format
 - One in classroom
 - One in computer lab



Questions?