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## Teach Smarter with Free Library Resources

Video presentation  
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### Abstract

Will your students be required to do a literature review? Do you want your students to be effective researchers and produce better papers for your class? If you answered YES to these questions, don't delay! Contact a librarian and start planning together for a library session for your students! As the librarian for the School of Public Health, I find that most students have very little knowledge of the resources available to them, or even where to begin serious literary research. How can I help? Have a guest lecture with or without any interactive tools, design a website with resources for one-stop shopping for information resources, meet with students via Zoom, and engage with them through Kahoot!, crossword puzzles, funny quizzes, etc. The librarians are part of the team of UMD faculty who are here to make sure you are a success!

### Video Script

#### Slide #1: Title Page

Hello colleagues! I am happy to have the opportunity to meet you virtually and share free library resources to support your teaching or research. Remember: Teach smarter, not harder!

#### Slide #2: Your Librarian

My name is Nedelina Tchangalova and I am a mid-career librarian for the School of Public Health. I am a white woman with brown hair, wearing glasses and a blue blouse. My pronouns are she/her.

#### Slide #3: Agenda

Before I move along, I would like to share a few points that I will talk about here.

First, I am going to explain how we can work together to accomplish academic goals.

Second, I will touch base on a few library services.

Third, I will present a few resources from the library collections.

Fourth, I will share a few tools to use in your classroom to engage your students.

#### Slide #4: Meet Your Librarian – 01

Let's begin with the first item in our agenda for today. Meet your Librarian! Be aware that your Librarian is better than your Google Search engine!

How can you get in touch with me? Write me an **email**. Or schedule an **in-person** meeting via Google Calendar and I can visit your office. Or we could meet **virtually** via Zoom.

Second, I can help you and your students through **library instruction**. Will your students be required to do a literature review? Do you want your students to be effective researchers and produce better papers for your class? If you answered YES to these questions, don't delay! Contact me and we can start planning together for a library session for your students!

To **support your teaching**, I can design a website with resources for one-stop shopping for information resources. I can visit your classroom via Zoom or in person, and engage your students with interactive tools.

One of the tools that students and instructors alike found very, very useful is **Zotero, a free citation management program**. It allows saving references and PDFs in a single platform and then use this program to plug in-text citations in paper drafts and instantly create a references list with a click of the mouse. Just get in touch with me to discuss the best way to provide this training.

#### **Slide #5: Library Services – 02**

UMD Libraries offer a variety of services to support you to excel in teaching.

For example, are you planning to assign a book chapter or an article as a required reading for a class? Consider **Open Textbook Resources**, or place these readings through the **Course Reserves** system.

Engage students in a conversation after watching a film. Submit a request for **Video streaming** through your ELMS course portal, so the entire class can access the video.

The research process can be a daunting task for novice researchers. Consider embedding **library resources directly into your ELMS course space**. Students will have all the resources for their research assignments in one place.

#### **Slide #6: Library Collections – 03**

Our library collections are "freely" accessible to you and your students. Although books, videos, articles and other resources are free to you, the Libraries spend millions of dollars every year for subscriptions, so take advantage of these resources to support your teaching. You don't even need to set a foot in the library – most of the library collections are available electronically!

#### **Slide #7: Teaching Tips & Tricks – 04**

Finally, bring excitement in your classroom! From students looking at their phones upon entering your classroom, transform them into active players in the learning process. Get some inspiration with these tools – Kahoot!, Mentimeter, and Puzzlemaker. Bring some humor in your quizzes to alleviate stress and anxiety!

#### **Slide #8: Resources**

For your convenience, I am including here at a glance links to the **Public Health Research Guide** which has resources to assist students in completing their assignments from start to finish, as well as the links to the tools I mentioned earlier including Zotero, Kahoot!, Mentimeter, and the Crossword

Puzzle Maker.

**Slide #9: Search Online**

Remember, your one stop shopping for information is the Libraries' website at L I B dot U M D dot E D U where you can access databases and Open Educational Resources, and download books, videos, articles, newspapers, theses and dissertations, and more...

**Slide #10: Thank you for listening**

Thank you for listening! I can be reached at [nedelina@umd.edu](mailto:nedelina@umd.edu). Bye and I hope to talk to you soon!