

Library Research Services

Check out our range of workshops, advisory services and resources to facilitate your research and discovery!

PLANNING: Provide support in locating published research, key information about copyright and data management plan writing

Literature search consultation

The [Literature Search Consultation](#) is a service by NTU Library, where our librarians will liaise with you, via online and/or face-to-face, to help with your literature search for your assignment, project or research. More specifically, the librarians can help you:

- Identify search terms and develop effective search strategies that can assist you in defining your topic
- Recommend relevant databases and search engines
- Find relevant sources such as books, journal articles, conference papers, market reports, data or other types of materials for your research.

Systematic search services

NTU Library offers an objective and independent perspective to support your systematic search. Consultations are available to all faculty, research staff, and students conducting systematic reviews from both the Yunnan and Novena campuses. More information on the range of services we offer can be found [here](#).

Copyright advisory service

The NTU Copyright Advisory Service team provides guidance to the NTU community in traversing the complex landscape of copyright regulations, ensuring that access to copyrighted materials complies with Singapore law and that any use is legal and ethical. This library service, which started in 2022, serves the university community in (a) reviewing copyright and copyright ownership, with an emphasis on course materials created by faculty, and (b) providing a holistic management of copyright matters, including dealing with infringement of copyright. More information on copyright can be found at [About Copyright Guide](#).

Data management planning

According to the [NTU Research Data Policy](#), all research proposals must include a data management plan (DMP) that records the intention on how research data arising from the research project will be managed, used and shared. NTU Library provides guidance via the [RDM Guide](#) and conducts [DMP workshops](#) for PIs and/or their delegates who would like more help in the writing of their DMPs.

Scholarly Communication and Impact Seminars

The [seminars](#) aim to provide all new PhD and Masters by research students with a strong foundational knowledge of current resources, tools, methods, and practices in undertaking research in a digital environment. The 3-hour seminar is compulsory and to be taken within the first year of study.

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MANAGING: Library provides advice and support on managing content, references, profile and research data best practices.

Develop digital portals/website for managing content

Sharing research is an important part of the scholarly process. A popular way is to [create a research website](#) to make your collection of images, videos or audio materials more easily discoverable by others. You can tap on [blogs@NTU](#) where you could simply choose from the slick design templates provided.

Reference management/document preparation workshops (EndNote, Mendeley, Zotero and LaTeX)

Reference management programs/document preparation system provide many useful features that can help you with your research such as: a) storing and organising your references; b) generating citations and bibliographies in your preferred style; and c) high quality typesetting.

NTU Library supports a variety of [Reference Management Software](#) and give you tips on how to make the most out of them.

Research data management best practices

Research data management e-learning course comprises four modules that cover the data lifecycle, handling sensitive data and benefits of good data management.

Managing Academic Profile

Enhance the discoverability and accessibility of your research output through the [Academic Profile](#).

PUBLISHING: Provide support in disseminating your research to a broader audience; you could seek advisory on scholarly publishing such as which journals to publish in, content hosting, DOI minting, open publishing, peer review, and more.

Hosting open access publications

The Library provides various platforms to [host](#) and present your journal, conference proceedings or [open educational resources](#) for open access.

DOI minting for papers and higher degree theses

Papers deposited in [DR-NTU](#) without DOIs will be assigned one upon request, at no charge. Higher degree theses deposited into DR-NTU will each be assigned a DOI.

ISBN/ISSN registration for new books and journals

If you are planning to publish a book or start a journal, we can help with the [ISBN/ISSN registration](#).

Get credit for your research outputs using Authors IDs

Library recommends the use of [author identifiers](#). To get credit to all your research output, you need to connect all your research output published under different variations of your name or different institutions. Having an author identifier is useful for author name disambiguation. Commonly used Author IDs are ORCID, ResearcherID, Scopus Author ID and Google Scholar Profile.

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Singapore funders are requiring [ORCID](#) for grant applications. NTU is looking into the use of ORCID as a means to identify research outputs at the individual researcher level. The Library provides advice in the creation, configuration and use of ORCID iDs.

IMPACTING: Provide advisory in tracking and demonstrating the impact of your research within and outside academia.

Generate citation reports for Promotion & Tenure exercises

Library provides citation reports for P&T candidates to incorporate into their dossiers upon requests from individual candidates and schools.

Enhance your research impact in academia and beyond

Advisory/ Workshops to provide useful tips and good practices to facilitate boosting your research profile, and evaluate your research impact for P&T purpose, self-assessment, grant application and contract renewal purposes.

In addition to traditional metrics to measure [research impact](#), there are altmetrics tools that can be used to track and measure your research impact beyond academia.

Set up physical and online showcases

Occasionally researchers put up exhibitions of their research in the library. These physical [exhibitions](#) can be curated, digitised and made available online so that the content is preserved and more people could access it conveniently via the internet.

ARCHIVING: Library provides advice and support in the archival and sharing of reports, theses, research papers and research data.

Deposit papers and higher degree theses in DR-NTU for open access

Deposit the accepted versions of your journal/conference papers, PhD and Masters by research theses in [DR-NTU](#) for open access to comply with [NTU Open Access Policy](#).

Deposit research data in DR-NTU (Data)

Deposit your research data in [DR-NTU \(Data\)](#) and make your data findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable. The Library provides data curation and publishing advice, and [regular workshops](#) on DR-NTU (Data).

Appendix 1: Chart

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