August 10, 2023

Dear Writing & Rhetoric Program Instructor:

The Teaching Librarians are looking forward to working with you and your students this semester.

Composition I library instruction will be provided as a standalone learning module in Brightspace. Composition I sections will automatically have the module – “Sojourner Truth Library Orientation Fall23” – added to their Brightspace course site. It will be the course instructor’s responsibility to assign the module to students and ensure completion. The module includes a required self-grading quiz valued at 100 points. Students have two attempts at the quiz. There is also a supplemental worksheet in the “Supplementary Worksheet” folder and we hope you encourage students to utilize this resource.

Writing & Rhetoric library instruction will be provided in-person for hybrid and fully seated sections. Online sections will be provided with a standalone Brightspace learning module.

- Hybrid and fully seated sections: please fill out a library instruction form for each section of ENG170 that you are teaching. We ask that you schedule the library instruction session for a class period after you plan to review your research assignment with students. Ideally, students will be familiar with the assignment and have a draft research question.

- Online sections: the module – “Introduction to Academic Research Fall23”– will be automatically added to your Brightspace course site. It will be the course instructor’s responsibility to assign the module to students and ensure completion. The module includes a required self-grading quiz valued at 100 points and students have two attempts. There is also a supplemental worksheet in the “Supplementary Worksheet” folder and we hope you encourage students to utilize this resource.

The ground floor of the library is still closed and all materials on that floor are unavailable for checkout. Please plan your assignments accordingly. For information about finding alternative access to materials, please see the Accessing Materials on the Ground Floor library guide.

If you have questions about the library instruction program and what to expect for your instruction session, please contact Chrissy at ogradye@newpaltz.edu.

Sincerely,
Kate Bellody,
Anne Deutsch,
Morgan Gwenwald,
Colleen Lougen,
Stephan Macaluso,
Adrianna Martinez,
Chrissy O’Grady (Library Instruction Program Coordinator),
Jennifer Rutner,
Madeline Veitch