Henderson Library now offering Citation Workshops
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As part of the effort to support the QEP and undergraduate writing at Georgia Southern University, Henderson Library faculty are offering ‘drop-in’ citation workshops to assist students who have questions about citations styles, or when and how to cite sources.

The workshops are intended to assist students with:

- Understanding what needs to be cited and what doesn’t need to be cited;
- Using sources properly whether summarizing, paraphrasing, or quoting;
- Understanding how citations work: from in-text (parenthetical) citation to the References list;
- Recognizing/identifying the necessary parts of citations for various kinds of sources; and
- Locating guides to prepare your paper in the correct style format (official citation style manuals, LibGuides, OWL at Purdue).

Some hands-on activities in which students may participate include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Review a complete paper to describe the formation of and relationship between the in-text citations and references list;
- Identify the parts of a citation for a book and a journal article; and
- Format a book and an article reference into the appropriate style (or the style of your own choosing).

Workshops take place four times a week on the following schedule and will be offered again in subsequent semesters:

- Mondays 6-7 pm
- Tuesdays & Thursdays 3-4 pm
- Wednesdays 11 am-12 pm

Please encourage your students to bring a paper draft, bibliography and sources with them to the workshops. If you have questions about the Citation Workshops, please contact the Learning Commons Desk at 912-478-5645 or email: learningcommons@georgiasouthern.edu.
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.... About Me

The thirst for adventure coupled with the desire to experience the mundane in other parts of the hemisphere is the hardihood that facilitates me being here at Georgia Southern.

This journey began on the 4th largest continent (geographically speaking) - South America in Guyana. Being one of 12 independent countries in that region, it is known as the “Land of many waters” with a landmass the size of Idaho.

Librarianship claimed me ever since I graduated Junior college. Starting out as a Library Assistant, I resigned the employ of the University of Guyana, Turkeyen Campus many moons later, as a Senior Librarian.

In the intervening years, I acquired a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology. After vying for and successfully being granted a Commonwealth Scholarship, Loughborough University in the United Kingdom awarded me the Master of Arts degree in Information and Library Studies.

Earning my keep as a Travelling Research Assistant, Freelance Informatician, Middle grades Substitute Teacher, Tutor, Documentarian (to name a few) I traversed the globe. Any occupation which allowed me to combine credentials with acquired duties as Knowledge Solutions Analysis to the Coates clan was mine to exploit.

As more attempts towards global citizenship took foothold the less prepared I actually felt. Cultural capital, though weighty, was not going to be my only saving grace. With this thought flickering at the back of my mind, I decided that the classroom was the only arena that would adequately quench my ineptitude. St. Joseph University in Philadelphia, decided that I was a suitable candidate for its post-master’s program in Gerontology. The University listed me as one of its graduates in the spring of 2012. I believe then as I still do now that any quest to seek new knowledge and learn new things is well worth the many colors that every rainbow details regardless of cardinal position or hemispheric location.

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