

ENG 1110, Example Information Literacy Skills Evaluation, Version 2.1

Student's name: _____

Topics & Titles to use in the information literacy skills evaluation:

General topic:

Stem cell research

Narrowed topic:

Non-embryonic stem-cell research

1. General Reference Resources.

A. Demonstrate how you would use general reference resources (print, not on-line, please) to begin background reading and preliminary research for the general topic assigned above.

B. If you are unable to find helpful information in the print resources available, demonstrate how you would use general reference resources in the library's on-line databases.

2. Subject-specific Reference Resources.

A. Demonstrate how you would find and use subject-specific reference resources (print resources) for the **narrowed topic** you were assigned for this exam.

B. If you discover the print resources are not available due to cataloging error, demonstrate how you would use on-line subject-specific reference resources in the library databases.

3. Periodical Databases.

A. Demonstrate how you would identify which databases to search for periodical resources on the narrowed topic you were given.

B. Demonstrate a multi-database search and find at least one of the following periodical resources. They relevant to the assigned topic and held within our library's databases.

Ryang, Sonia. "Does It Have to be hESC? A Note on War, Embryo, and the Disabled." *Anthropological Quarterly*; Vol. 79 Issue 3, p509-529. Summer2006.

Sullivan, Dennis M.; Salladay, Susan A. "Gene therapy : restoring health or playing God?" *Journal of Christian Nursing* 24:199-205 Oct/Dec 2007.

C. Use the bibliographical record for the article that you find to find other articles like it. Conduct your search in such a way so as to narrow the result list down to less than 50.

D. Identify an article from the list which is clearly related to the narrowed topic above, and likely to be an excellent source – and explain why you believe it will be a credible resource.

4. Use of Cataloging system to find other resources.

A. Demonstrate how to use our catalog to find the following book, which is directly related to the subject assigned.

Langwith, Jacqueline. Ed. *Stem cells*. Detroit : Greenhaven Press, 2007.

B. Once you have found this book through CIU's catalog, demonstrate how to use the bibliographical data to find other resources like this one, first in our holdings and at other universities available to us through our local inter-library loan system.