ENGL 603: BIBLIOGRAPHY AND LITERARY RESEARCH / Dr. Maura Ives

ENGL 603 is an intensive introduction to the tools, methods, and infrastructure of humanities research. Through readings, discussion, and written assignments, students will develop expertise in the following areas:

- Identifying the information habits of successful humanities researchers, and incorporating them into their own work
- Locating, evaluating, and documenting materials for advanced research (print and digital)
- Understanding the history, production, and reception of primary source texts (manuscript, print, and electronic)
- Recognizing how digital scholarship and digital humanities are changing humanities scholarship (digital archives, digital research methods, and scholarly communication in the digital age)
- Navigating the changing infrastructure of scholarly research and publishing (“keeping up” with a field; conferences and peer-reviewed publications; blogs and public scholarship; the open access debate)

To accomplish these goals, students will conduct several short research projects over the course of the semester, through which they will be expected to develop and demonstrate proficiency with a range of materials (print and electronic) and scholarly modes of expression (social media, paper and funding proposals, researched scholarship). By the end of the semester, each student will have produced a research portfolio geared towards their individual academic and professional goals.

Many course materials will be available online. Assignments MUST BE submitted electronically.

**Required Textbooks** (subject to change).


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