Session Outline:

- Starting your research
- Finding scholarly sources
  - Books
  - Articles
  - Other types of sources
- Evaluating sources
- Getting more help
Starting Your Research

- Clearly define your topic
- Consult background sources and course readings to identify key concepts, time periods, etc.
- Think of synonyms and related terms that might help you find relevant research material on your topic

http://guides.lib.uwo.ca/classics/3310G/reference
Tools for Effective Searching

1. Use operators (AND or OR) to combine keywords.

2. Enclose phrases in " " to ensure that the words are searched together.

3. Include a wildcard symbol ( * ) to find variant endings
Finding Scholarly Sources Using the Library Search Engine

- Retrieves references to books, articles and other information sources on any topic
- Good starting place for broad topics
- Often includes links to full-text
- Advanced Search option lets you limit your results by date or to specific types of resources

Search Example: (dowry OR dowries) AND ancient greece
Finding Scholarly Sources
Using the Library Catalogue

- Best place to look for specific titles
- Use keyword option to find specific works by ancient authors
- Includes links to e-books and online journals

http://lib.uwo.ca
Finding Scholarly Sources
Library Research Guides

- Librarian recommended resources on every subject
- Links to databases, online encyclopaedias and more

http://guides.lib.uwo.ca/classicalstudies
Best Databases for Articles on Classical Studies Topics

- l’Annee Philologique
- JSTOR
- Humanities International Complete

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Evaluating Sources

Criteria to consider:

- Relevance
- Authority
- Date
- Accuracy
- Reason (or Purpose)
Primary Source Collections

http://guides.lib.uwo.ca/classicalstudies/primarysources

- Loeb Classical Library
- Perseus Digital Library
- Thesaurus Linguae Graecae (TLG) Online
Other Relevant Resources

- ARTSTOR Digital Library
- Streaming video collections (http://guides.lib.uwo.ca/streamingvideo)
Citing and Writing Guides

- Western Libraries guides
  - http://guides.lib.uwo.ca/classics/3310G/writingandciting
- Purdue Online Writing Lab [OWL]
  - https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/
- EasyBib
  - http://www.easybib.com/
Getting More Help

Contact Me to Book An Appointment

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Monday-Thursday 10-10
Friday 10-5
Sat. & Sun 12-6

Weldon Library Service Desk
Monday-Thursday 8-8
Friday 8-5
Saturday & Sunday 10:30-5:00
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