Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Galter Health Sciences Library & Learning Center

Planning your Research Roadmap: Core Support Services at Galter Library

In addition to our physical and online collections, Galter offers specialized support services to meet the research needs of the Feinberg community. Below is a broad overview of some of the services you could add to your research itinerary to ensure you are utilizing all available resources.

Liaison Librarians

Every department, program, center, and institute within the Feinberg School of Medicine is assigned an individual librarian who triages specialized information requests and is available for specific instruction and consultation. Galter's Liaison Librarian program offers collaborative support that takes an integrative approach to all aspects of your research. Connect with your Liaison Librarian.

Systematic & Scoping Reviews

Galter offers support for systematic and scoping reviews by providing consultation and collaboration with varying levels of engagement based on your selected service model. Contact your Liaison Librarian to receive specialized support in question formulation, protocol development, and data collection. Our team is also equipped to assist you with citation management systems, capturing data for the PRISMA flow diagram, and contributing to the final review process for manuscript submission. Check out our classes on the review and reporting processes, EndNote, and our GalterGuides related to EndNote and Citation Management.

DataLab

Galter's DataLab provides training and development and facilitates collaborative innovations connecting faculty, staff, and students to data-related resources. Through the DataLab you can connect with our free DataClinic that offers consultations, training support, and expert assistance in resolving technical issues. Our services are centered around best practices related to data management, reproducibility, compliance with data sharing policies, and open science. Check out our classes on data management and find out how we can best support you throughout all stages of the research data lifecycle. To request a DataClinic consultation fill out this contact form.

Writing & Publication Support

Galter library offers curated instructional content to help you navigate the writing and publication process. In our GalterGuide on writing, citing, and publication you will find information on citation and style guides, copyright terms and agreements, and open access resources. The Galter team is also available to assist in grant preparation with a specific concentration on the fundamentals of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) grant process and requirements. We have compiled resources to guide you through NIH BioSketch best practices, NIH Compliance and Public Access Policy and obtaining PMCIDs, and Data Policies from Funding Agencies. You can also attend our class on the NIH Public Access Policy that covers manuscript submission to PubMed Central and managing your bibliographies with MyNCBI's My Bibliography.

- Members of our team compiled some of the best ways to maximize the recommendations of the upcoming NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy. Don't miss out on these 10 simple rules!
- Gonzales S, Carson MB, Holmes K (2022) Ten simple rules for maximizing the recommendations of the NIH data management and sharing plan. PLoS Comput Biol 18(8): e1010397. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1010397

Research Impact & Dissemination

Galter's Research Assessment and Communications (RAC) department is available to assist you through the communication and dissemination of your research. Our RAC team manages Northwestern Elements which serves as a web-based warehouse of information about scholarly products and helps Feinberg faculty maintain current publications lists and reduce data entry. We offer support for Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID) Integration and best practices to help make your research discoverable. Additionally, our Metrics and Impact Core (MIC) is designed to help you communicate the impact of your work by providing expertise in alternative and bibliometrics, research communication, and preservation.

Clinical Librarian Service

Galter Library's clinical informationists can join your team on rounds and bring the resources and services of the library to you. This service answers clinical questions generated as a part of patient care discussions. Our team specializes in clinical support services and collaborations with key constituents on clinically focused projects. To explore options for a clinical librarian to join your team on rounds, email clinicalquestion@northwestern.edu.

As you plan and navigate your research roadmap don't hesitate to add Galter support services to your itinerary. First stop: Connect with your Liaison Librarian to make sure you are using all the resources available to you. Whether you are in the planning phases of your research, working towards publication, or assessing impact, we are here to support you.