

Digital Skills Module



Week 7

Topics covered during the course:-

- ❧ Why are Digital Skills Important?
- ❧ Why are Research Skills Important
- ❧ Ethical Handling of Data
- ❧ Research Search Engines
- ❧ Different Research methods (Primary/ Secondary)
- ❧ Evaluating Digital Content (CRAAP)
- ❧ Websites/ Questionnaires

BLOG



Academic blogging should serve the following purpose:

Reflection on how to use research methods or technology you have learnt to improve your work place efficiency or employability skills

Blogs



- ❧ Academic blogging should serve the following purposes:
- ❧ provides regular feedback between you and the instructors to help match your expectations;
- ❧ serves as a platform for synthesis of new knowledge and ideas;
- ❧ helps to develop critical thinking;
- ❧ helps to elicit topics of interest, challenging topics that need improvement helps to clarify troublesome concepts.

BLOG



❧ A good post is personal, reflective, and substantive. Additionally, your reader must be understand clearly what you have written. If it is provocative or controversial, references should be provided to substantiate your thoughts.

The following factors contribute to a good post:

- ❧ good “snappy” titles;
- ❧ good content;
- ❧ images to illustrate your views and inform your readers;
- ❧ hyperlinks that take readers deeper into the topic or discussion;

When Blogging or reviewing Blogs

- ❧ Reflection on different Digital skills or research methods covered
- ❧ Reflect how that would be applied in work place setting
- ❧ How would this enhance your employability skills?
- ❧ How can this assist in your studies/ research?
- ❧ References (In TEXT) and end of References
- ❧ Images (but resize)
- ❧ URL links
- ❧ Format heading
- ❧ Check spelling/ grammar