

Unit Title:	Research Skills for Academic Study
Unit Level:	Three
Unit Credit Value:	2
GLH:	14
LASER Unit Code:	WIY871
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This unit has 3 learning outcomes.

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):		Assessment Criteria (The Learner can):	
1.	Understand how to plan research on a given topic.	1.1	Establish the purpose of the research.
		1.2	Analyse the nature of the research to be undertaken.
		1.3	Identify and justify appropriate methods of research.
2.	Be able to assess the reliability of a range of different types of information sources.	2.1	Evaluate a range of information sources taking account of reliability, for example, a reference book, a newspaper article or periodical, a webpage.
3.	Be able to utilise information to inform own writing.	3.1	Explain ways of using information gained, for example, quotation, paraphrase and explanation.
		3.2	Define the meaning of 'plagiarism' and analyse the consequences of its use.
		3.3	Explain the importance of footnotes/endnotes and bibliographies.
		3.4	Demonstrate the use of information from a range of sources to inform own writing.

Assessment Guidance:

Note that in Assessment Criteria 2.1 and 3.4, the term 'range' requires the use of at least three sources for each criterion, although the same sources may be used in 2.1 and 3.4 if appropriate.

Additional Information:

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