

Library Research Appointments

What should I expect in a library research appointment?

A librarian will meet with you individually or in small groups to brainstorm and strategize about a question, interest, or course project you identify when scheduling the appointment.

Use your appointment time with us to get help and advice on:

- Defining and refining a research question
- The best bodies of literature and journal collections for your research question
- Search strategies to feel confident you've done a thorough search
- Identifying foundational articles or authors
- Accessing library resources at Harvard and beyond
- APA citations
- Managing your research with Zotero
- Troubleshooting any research-related question or problem

Who could benefit from library research appointments?

Students who are excited, overwhelmed, or both about doing research at Harvard.

Meet with a friendly Gutman librarian if you are:

- Having trouble scoping a research question
- Just getting started finding relevant research
- Overwhelmed with too many results or struggling with too few sources
- Concerned about not working efficiently to identify good sources
- Looking to ensure you're searching comprehensively

Library research appointments at HGSE

If you have questions about research appointments, connect with a research librarian using our [Ask Us](#) form. If you want to schedule an appointment, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ya76fnnc>.

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