PROJECT INFORMATION LITERACY
A national study about college students' research habits

Since 2008, we have surveyed over 11,000 students at more than 50 U.S. colleges and universities to study how they find and use information for courses and in their daily lives.

WHAT IS MOST DIFFICULT ABOUT RESEARCH?
84% GETTING STARTED

WHAT OTHER SOURCES DO STUDENTS USE FOR COURSE RESEARCH?
88% DATABASES
83% INSTRUCTORS
30% LIBRARIANS

WHAT DO STUDENTS DO IN THE LIBRARY DURING CRUNCH TIME?
81% CHECK MESSAGES
73% PREPARE ASSIGNMENTS
62% STUDY & REVIEW

12 ADJECTIVES STUDENTS USE TO DESCRIBE HOW THEY FEEL ABOUT RESEARCH ASSIGNMENTS
fear,
angst,
tired,
dread,
excited,
anxious,
annoyed,
stressed,
disgusted,
intrigued,
confused,
overwhelmed.

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