## OAS Required Skill Module: You and the UT Library System All citations and answers must be turned in to your UGTA

<u>Goal</u>: To familiarize yourself with how to locate useful resources in the UT Libraries for your inquiry assignment and other assignments during your college career.

<u>Instructions</u>: Fill out this worksheet using the skills you learned in the library presentation on September 10 and the research guide created by the library for this course.

## Task 1:

Find a **book** in one of the campus libraries relevant to your inquiry assignment, to another class you are taking or to your major field of study. Make sure you search for books on a topic, rather than a specific book title.

- 1. Search the Library Catalog (<a href="http://catalog.lib.utexas.edu">http://catalog.lib.utexas.edu</a>). What search terms did you use to look for this book?
- 2. How many results did you get and were they relevant to your topic?
- 3. Did you change your search? If so, how did you change it and how did it change your results?
- 4. Write down one useful Subject assigned to the book you selected.
- 5. Write down the call number and library where the book is located.
- 6. Find the book on the shelf and browse the books around it. Are there any other relevant books nearby? If so, write down the title and author of one of those books.
- 7. Write down the citation for this book in MLA, APA or Chicago style. Use NoodleBib (www.lib.utexas.edu/noodlebib) to help you.
- 8. Why did you choose this book?

## <u>Task 2:</u>

Find a scholarly article in the Libraries relevant to your inquiry assignment, to another class you are taking or to your major field of study.

1.	Choose a database from the list at <a href="www.lib.utexas.edu/indexes">www.lib.utexas.edu/indexes</a> . Which database did you choose and why did you choose it? Consider what it contains, what field it is relevant to, etc. when answering this question.
2.	Search the database for a scholarly article. What search terms did you use?
3.	How many results did you get and were they relevant to your topic?
4.	Did you change your search? If so, how did you change it and how did it change your results?
5.	Choose an article and find the full text. Was this full text in the database you were searching, or did you have to use Find it at UT to find it in another database or in print on the shelves in the Libraries?
6.	Write down the citation for this book in MLA, APA or Chicago style. Use NoodleBib ( <a href="https://www.lib.utexas.edu/noodlebib">www.lib.utexas.edu/noodlebib</a> ) to help you.
7.	Is this a scholarly article? How do you know?
8.	Why did you choose this article?