

IS20010: Finding Information in Everyday Contexts
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Schedule of Weekly Activities & Learning Objectives
2010-11

Week	Topic(s)	Weekly Learning Objectives
Week 1	Introduction. Our Information Worlds. Guest: Library re: Plagiarism	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To explore module objectives• To explore concepts of information and our information world
Week 2	Information Access in a Changing World; Lab: Blogging Our Journey; Wikis for Group Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To explore models of problem solving• To understand the affective behaviours that attend information seeking
Week 3	Locating Factual Information; Special Focus: Encyclopedias	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To understand what is meant by factual information• To locate resources that facilitate finding factual information
Week 4	Locating & Evaluating Electronic Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To plan an effective electronic search strategy• To develop search skills• To explore particular database systems
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Week 6	Means of Organizing Information; Bibliographic Control vs. Miscellany	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To understand the role of bibliographic control in accessing information• To consider the value of bibliographic control• To identify and use catalogues, indexes and bibliographies
Week 7	Channels of Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To differentiate between formal and informal means of communicating and accessing information
Week 8	Researching & Writing the Academic Paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To explore the research cycle and its impact on information publication and control
Week 9	Maximizing on Numeracy Skills; Developing Citizenship Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify, locate, interpret, and evaluate numeric information in different forms• To explore the connections between government & information literacy
Week 10	Overcoming Information Barriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To explore innovative means of information seeking• To examine the strategies of successful information seekers
Week 11	Creating & Organizing Information for Ourselves	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To explore means of user-generated content
Week 12	Increasing Information Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To review principles of information literacy• To consider pathways to continuous use and strengthening of literacy skills