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Faculty and graduate students spend considerable amounts of time and effort identifying and then using information resources with substantive content related to their research.

Thousands of potentially relevant articles, pdfs, web sites, books, blogs, and more may be discovered using special databases at KSU along with information searches on the Internet.

Of course the content in these discovered resources is crucial for research. Information about those discovered resources is also required for the citations and references used in dissertations/theses, grants, and research papers.

Clearly, managing the discovery and use of resources with information content is essential for success.
Information Environment for Literature Reviews

Not much...

A bit more........

Even more...and a system for managing...

.....need coffee.........

HOW do you manage all of this ??

FROM an article: Ovarian ablation in breast cancer, 1896 to 1998: milestones along hierarchy of evidence from case report to Cochrane review BMJ 1998; 317 doi: https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.317.7167.1246
Why use Zotero, Mendeley, or Endnote? Some general reasons.

Zotero, Mendeley, and Endnote can help with gathering, organizing, analyzing, synthesizing, and creating/writing products based on library research.

- **Gathering.** This is what you do to find, access, and collect resources that have information that is relevant to your project.

- **Organizing.** This is what you do to make sure that what you find and collect is arranged and useable in a way that "makes sense" for your project. Also, it's important to not lose what you have found.

- **Analyzing or synthesizing.** This is what you do with the information you have found to address questions or problems you work on for papers, theses, dissertations, articles, or grants.

- **Creating products for sharing results.** This is what you do to share the answers you have found, including completed papers, theses, dissertations, articles, or grant submissions or reports.
Software to organize research

Citation Managers

Reference Managers

Citations Tools

Research Management Tools

Personal database of references and other information (including pdfs)

Automate the process of inserting citations & references into your papers in Microsoft Word
Software to organize research

What does it look like to use one of these to organize research ??
THE INTERNET
• Databases (e.g. EBSCO)
• Google Scholar

Your Zotero Account Online

A fairly complete set of components for a “personal Zotero system”

OR EndNote
OR Mendeley

Capture references & pubs

• Microsoft Word and Z Add-In for papers
• Zotero stand alone software as your personal database and research manager
• Zotero online account for syncing and back up of references
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