Southwest Virginia Community College Library
Library Assignment
EGR 120 – Engineering
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1. If you haven’t already done so, please get a student photo I.D./library card at the SWCC Library. What is your library card number? __________________________

2. Search the SWCC PRIMO Library catalog. Locate a book (a physical print book, not an e-book) on the subject of engineering or a topic related to engineering from the SWCC Circulating collection. (You will find lots of e-books in this search. To quickly find a print book from your results list, click on Filter My Results and choose On Shelf.) Change Sort By to Date-newest. Click on the title of the book; print out a copy of the full record; and circle the call number on the copy. Give it to your instructor along with this completed library assignment. Also, use the citation generator (“Citation” icon) in the book’s catalog record to create a citation in APA style formatting. Copy and Paste (or make a printout) the APA citation in a MS Word document.

3. Search the Engineering & Technology LibGuide to locate an entry in an e-book on the subject of engineering or a topic related to engineering (Find eBooks tab) from the Gale Virtual Reference Library (GVRL) database. Use the citation generator (“Citation Tools”) in GVRL to create a citation in APA format for the e-book entry that you located. Copy and Paste (or make a printout) your APA citation in a MS Word document.

4. From the “Find eBooks” tab in the Engineering & Technology LibGuide, use the CRCnetBASE Engineering Reference to locate a section in an e-book on some aspect of engineering. In a MS Word document, give the chapter number, chapter title, author (if given), and page numbers of the section of the e-book that you located. Create a citation (“Get Citation” icon) in APA format. Copy and Paste (or make a printout) in a MS Word document.

5. Use the “Find Articles” tab in the Engineering & Technology LibGuide, to search the EBSCOhost Research databases that are relevant to engineering. (Once you see the list of EBSCO databases, place a checkmark in the box next to the databases you want to search. Perform a search on a subject related to your field of study. Limit your search to full-text articles and to Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals. Once you locate an article, create a citation (“Cite” icon) in APA format. Copy and Paste (or make a printout) in a MS Word document.

6. Use the CRAAP test to evaluate the information result from ONE of the searches for questions 1 through 5 above. Answer the following questions: (a) Is the resource Current? How do you know? (b) Is the resource Relevant to your information needs? How do you know? (c) Is the resource Authoritative? How do you know? (d) Is the resource Adequate? How do you know? (e) What is the Purpose of the resource? Add your answers to a MS Word document.

Remote access: Use your SWCC username and password to access library databases away from campus.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about this assignment or in the future. Teresa Yearout, (276) 964-7266.

Please submit your completed library assignment to your instructor.

Student __________________________ Date completed __________________________