

Library & Internet Resources for ENG 112 Argument Based Research

Library Lifelines:

[Ask a CPCC Librarian](#) – call or email questions to a CPCC Librarian

[NCKnows](#) - 24/7 "online chat" research help from NC Librarians

Research Tools –

- [Library Tutorials](#) - self-paced learning on doing library research
- [How to write and cite in MLA and APA](#)
- [Dr. Cite Right](#) – short and fun tutorial with plagiarism help

Get Ideas for an argumentative writing project, and get some good research while looking!

- [Opposing Viewpoints](#) – electronic database of information on today's hottest social issues, requires SNAP from home
- [Opposing Viewpoint Books](#) - books in the CPCC library on over 171 social issues
- [CQ Researcher](#) - Reports on hundreds of current topics with pro & con, requires SNAP from home
- [Congressional Digest](#) - Pro & con on public policy issues, requires SNAP from home
- [Documents in the News](#) - directory of topics with reliable web links

Current topics that work well for argument essays:

School uniforms	Stereotyping
Welfare solutions	Immigration
Gay and lesbian marriage	Gangs
Smoking ban	Capital Punishment
Prayer in the public schools	Military Draft
Media and children	Health Insurance
Outsourcing of U.S. jobs	Racism
School suspension in NC	North Carolina Lottery
Child Abuse	Speed Traps
United Nations	Assisted Suicide
The Iraq War	Recycling
Wildlife Preserves	Harsher punishments for crime
Guns & gun control	Legalization of Marijuana

Research for books, ebooks, newspaper and journal articles on your topic. Use more than one of these resources as you will get different results from each:

- [CPCC Library Books and Ebooks](#) - Ebooks require SNAP from home
- [NCLive](#) - articles on all topics, requires *SNAP* from home
- [Criminal Justice Periodicals](#) - articles on criminals, prison, jails, etc., requires *SNAP* from home
- [Proquest Nursing Journals](#) - articles on health, diseases, drugs, etc., requires *SNAP* from home
- [America's Newspapers](#) - newspaper articles on NC topics, requires *SNAP* from home
- [Google Unclesam](#). A great place to find reliable federal and state government information on current topics.

Statistical Information:

- [Statistical Abstract of the United States](#). Facts and figures for people, places and things in the United States. Statistics for everything American!
- [N.C.Census information](#) - This website adds value to census data products by displaying tables, graphics, and reports specific to North Carolina. Use this page as your starting point to locate North Carolina census information.
- [Center for Disease Control](#), how we live, get sick, get well, and die
- [Mortality and Morbidity Weekly Report](#), how we live and die

Local Information:

[Charlotte Chamber](#)
[Charlotte Department of Transportation](#)
[Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools](#)
[North Carolina Crime Statistics](#)
[North Carolina Department of Labor](#)
[North Carolina Department of Transportation](#)
[North Carolina Statistics](#)
[North Carolina Center for Health Statistics](#)
[Charlotte and Mecklenburg County](#)
[North Carolina agencies](#)
[Arts and Sciences organizations](#)
[Register of Historic Sites in North Carolina \(type in "NC"\)](#)

Legal Information:

[Federal Laws](#)
[North Carolina Laws](#)
[Charlotte Ordinances](#)