



From Grad School, With Love: Medical Librarianship and Learning at Western

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**LIBRARY &
INFORMATION
SCIENCE**

**LIS 9320:
Consumer
Health
Information**

Course Objectives

- 1. To help students develop an awareness of the nature of health and medicine and the organization of biomedical research and consumer health literature
- 2. To help students develop an understanding of: the information-seeking by people with health concerns; issues in formal and informal health communication and information seeking by health care practitioners.
- 3. To familiarize students with the specialized vocabulary and forms of medical and health literature;
- 4. To help students develop an understanding of health information services for consumers and methods for evaluating them.

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Topics Covered

Assessing Consumer Health Information and EBM

Health Information Needs

Health Information and Library Services

Online Health Information ie: Patient Support Communities, Blogs

Consumer Health Information and Advocacy

Problem Based Learning

- “The problem is not provided with the goal of being solved or answered but rather, the problem is used to help learners identify their own needs as they attempt to understand the problem, to pull together, synthesize and apply information to the problem, to begin to work effectively to learn from group members as well as tutors, and finally to encourage learners to reflect on their own beliefs, values and biases.”

FIND AND EVALUATE HEALTH INFORMATION ON THE WEB

- [Getting Started](#)
- [Content Evaluation Guidelines](#)
- [Additional Help](#)

For
Example:

[Evaluating Internet Health Information:
A Tutorial from the National Library of Medicine](#)

[MedlinePlus Guide to Healthy Web Surfing](#)

[A User's Guide to Finding and Evaluating Health Information on the Web
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Questions?

