

Info Lit Tip – Handy Online Glossaries by Subject Area

Thanks to Professor Shirley Harrell of our Management program for the idea for this tip! Many students, especially international students, don't know all the words associated with their subject area. Could anybody possibly know all the words, with new jargon and trendy terms turning up often?

Instead of fighting over a print dictionary, go online for glossaries by subject area. Here are some that look really good, but keep in mind:

- No one glossary will have all the terms, and they may not be updated. So check more than one to find your term and to get the most current definition
- Don't just use the online glossaries listed in this tip: find newer and more glossaries by putting the following in the Google search box:

Your subject area glossary

For example

Management glossary

Education glossary

"health care management" glossary

"mental health" glossary

Be sure to put in the quotation marks (""") if there is more than one word! This is always important when entering search terms – it tells the search engine to look for those two words together.

Here are some glossaries by subject area:

Note: webpages can be removed or moved without notice.

Management/Business

http://www.12manage.com/management_dictionary.html

<http://management.about.com/od/begintomanage/a/MgmtGlossary.htm>

<http://www.skymark.com/resources/qualglos.asp>

Free Management Library at <http://www.managementhelp.org/>

Education

<http://www.netc.org/digitalbridges/online/glossary/>

<http://www.glossarist.com/glossaries/education/>

<http://www.learnnc.org/reference/>

Mental Health Counseling

http://www.wadsworth.com/cgi-wadsworth/course_products_wp.pl?fid=M35&product_isbn_issn=0495097136&&alname=Glossary&&resource_id=10&chapter_number=1

<http://coehd.utsa.edu/images/uploads/Counseling%20Glossary.pdf>

Psychology

APA glossary <http://www.apa.org/research/action/glossary.aspx>

Social Psychology glossary <https://facultystaff.richmond.edu/~allison/glossary.html>

<http://psychcentral.com/glossary/>

Health Care/Medical

Health insurance glossary <http://www.healthinsurance.org/glossary/>

<http://www.medterms.com/script/main/hp.asp>

Managed health care glossary <http://www.pohly.com/terms.html>

<http://www.effectivehealthcare.ahrq.gov/index.cfm/glossary-of-terms/>

<http://www.deha.org/Glossary/GlossaryHome.htm>

If your subject area wasn't included, just do a google search for "*your subject area glossary*" as described above. Happy hunting!