

Ryerson University Department of Computer Science

CP8101 Computer Science Research Methods, Winter 2013

1.1 Real Assignment #1: The Literature Review

Now that you have picked an area that you might find a research problem in, it is always wise to see who has been there first and what have they done. Essentially, you want to know “what we already know”. You find this out through a review of the literature.

For this assignment you are to conduct a literature review to be a summary of your selected area of research.

The broad brush strokes of this assignment are;

- 1 page maximum for the actual review.
- As many citations as you require can be on additional pages.
- All citations in your reference section are to be in APA format.
- You must use at least a 12 point font with all margins $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch.

Due 16 Oct 2014 in class on hard copy.

Questions and comments to use on a librarian:

- **I am starting to panic!**
- **What the heck is APA format?**
- **Where can I get these citation thingies?**
- **How do I get all the stuff I need, summarize it, cite it and squeeze it into 1 page?**
- **No one really expects me to do this do they?**
- **How can I get the citations into the format I need?**
- **Ok, tell me about the library and what it can do for me.**