How to Use Research in Practice: Working in an Evidence Based Way
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What is Evidence Based Library and Information Practice (EBLIP)?
EBLIP is a way of working, a mindset. It combines a framework with practical tools to help librarians and library workers do their jobs more effectively.

The Steps of EBLIP
1. Formulate a Question
   - PICO, SPICE
2. Find the Evidence
   - best available evidence: LIS literature, literature from other disciplines, social media, news stories, etc.
3. Appraise the Evidence
   - critically assessing the evidence you have found
4. Apply the Evidence
   - Evidence usually is one of the following: directly applicable, needs to be locally validated, could be adapted, improves your understanding of the situation
5. Evaluate the Results
   - How did the process go? How did you do?
6. Disseminate Results
   - Publish a paper, present at a conference, share on a listserv, share on social media, present to your colleagues, etc.

Resources

- Peer Reviewed LIS Journals - [https://library.usask.ca/ceblip/research/peer-reviewed-lis-journals.php](https://library.usask.ca/ceblip/research/peer-reviewed-lis-journals.php) the OA ones are indicated with ☇
- Evidence Based Toolkit for Public Libraries [http://ebltoolkit.pbworks.com/w/page/9671460/FrontPage](http://ebltoolkit.pbworks.com/w/page/9671460/FrontPage)
- Library, Information Science and Technology Abstracts (LISTA) from EBSCO – free LIS database. To access, Google EBSCO LISTA as it is difficult to get a permanent link to include in this handout.
- Centre for Evidence Based Library and Information Practice [https://library.usask.ca/ceblip/](https://library.usask.ca/ceblip/)
- Make sure to check with professional organizations to see if there are resources available to you as part of the membership fee.