

# Systematic Review & Evidence Synthesis Services at UPC Campus

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# Types of Reviews

- **Systematic Reviews & Meta-Analysis**
  - Support for team-based projects that meet all requirements
- **Scoping Reviews**
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- **Literature Reviews**
  - Liaison Librarians May Help Students in search strategies
- **All Other Reviews**
  - No support Services

[A typology of reviews: an analysis of 14 review types and associated methodologies](#)

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# Brief History of UPC Review & Evidence Synthesis Services

- Decision to add this service to UPC programs July 1, 2020
  - Explosion in Non-Medical Sciences Systematic Review (NMSSR) publications
  - Increased interest from non-medical Faculty and Graduate Students
  - Proactive Professional Development
    - First learning traditional review & evidence synthesis (medical RCTs)
    - Learning NMSSR & Evidence Synthesis
    - Awarded Scholarship for Social Science Evidence Synthesis Institute

# Brief History of UPC Review & Evidence Synthesis Services

- Developed Research Guide with Service Offering & Best Practices
- Opened Service for Teams
- Obtained all Needed Software
- Refined Services
- Presented to Association of College and Research Libraries
- Published First Reviews that were Completed
- Published Concept Papers
- Invited panelist at American Library Association Annual Conference 2023

# Brief History of UPC Review & Evidence Synthesis Services

- Paired with Faculty to offer Instruction of Reviews and Evidence Synthesis
- Developed Instructional Programs for NMSSR & ES
  - One Shot Course Integrated Instructional Session
  - In Depth Course Integrated Instruction (tailored to course learning outcomes)
    - Can be Doing a Mini SR or Any Piece
    - Can be Software Training

# Requirements for USC Libraries Collaboration on Systematic or Scoping Reviews

- Must be a team of three or more (Librarian will be an additional team member)
- Team must include a faculty member other than librarian faculty
- Graduate student lead teams will be considered- but this can not be part of a dissertation
- Librarian becomes a full team member and must have co-authorship on publication
- Type of review must meet our criteria for collaboration
- Best practices (as directed by faculty librarian must be followed)
- Faculty Librarian serves as Review and Information Science expert

# Process of Reviews & ES at UPC

## ✦ Intake Meeting

- Research Question(s)
- Registration(s) OSF or JBI (unless publishing in SR database)
- Housekeeping (shared drive)
- Document Development (RQ, Justification, Team Composition/Contact)
- Schedule Weekly Meetings (will be used as needed)
- Discuss RQ refinement if needed
  - ✦ Inclusion and Exclusion variable discussion

# Process of Reviews & ES at UPC

## ✦ First Meeting

- ✦ Finalize Research Question
- ✦ Develop Inclusion & Exclusion Variables
- ✦ Brainstorming Search Terms Document (shared drive)
- ✦ Database Thesaurus Explore
- ✦ Systematic Search Tracking Sheet Introduction (shared drive)
- ✦ Zotero Description/Training
- ✦ Database Discussion and Form Access (shared drive)



# Process of Reviews & ES at UPC

## ✦ Second Meeting

### ✦ Strategic Systematic Search (SSS)

✦ SSS Tracking Sheet

✦ Zotero Training: Bibliographic software

✦ SSS Plan (downloading)

# Services Faculty Librarian Provides

- Review type decision confirmation or consultation (based on research question and goals)
- Development of research question (s) (if needed)
- Facilitates development of inclusion/exclusion variables
- Administration of project (participation level varies)
- Software selection consultation and administration (participation level varies)
- Meetings/housekeeping/agendas with deliverables
- Identifies Databases
- Development of Search Terminology
  - Facilitates searching (group searching or division of search tasks)

# Services Faculty Librarian Provides

- Identifies and consults on review registration
- Preliminary discovery on similar systematic reviews
- Develops/consults on review protocol
- Facilitates searching
- Training on software
- Participates in screening when appropriate
- Writes methods section of paper
- Contributes to writing other sections as need
- Tracks and/or provides tracking forms (reproducibility)
- Provides supplemental materials and charts for publication
- Identifies potential publishing opportunities
- Editorial review (if needed)

# Scholarly Output

## 25 Publications and Presentation from March 2022- July 2024

### Invited Panelist at ALA 2023 NMSSR's

#### Research Guide

- Detailed procedures & best practices
- Decision
- Open Access templates for each procedure, table & chart

### Peer Reviewing Evidence Synthesis

- Cambell Systematic Review New Guidelines
- Journal of Information Analysis
- Journal of Librarianship & Information Science

# Current Activities

## Twelve Current Teams (seven disciplines)

- **Collaborating with Five Schools at USC & Seven External Universities** (Case Western Reserve University Medicine, Columbia University, Johns Hopkins Medical, Northwestern University, Pepperdine University, San Diego State University, Stanford University)

## Three Journal Paper Submissions

## Two Conference Presentation Submissions

## Instructional Services (Faculty & Graduate Students)

# Evidence Synthesis Research Guide

# Questions?

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