



Enabling the student to write a good thesis

Combining information retrieval with the writing process

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Content

- Søk & Skriv (Search and Write) a web-based learning system based on both the searching process and the writing process.
- Writing as a social action
- Online writing tools in the teaching community
- Experiences from joint library and faculty teaching

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Information Literacy and writing belong together

- IL and writing are both processes that triggers creativity and worlds of possibilities.
- Starting writing equals starting searching

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Writing Process in Søk & Skriv

- Writing process from uncertainty to clarity
- Writing in groups
- Developing your own voice in the academic community

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Research Processes

- Seeking meaning
 - Kuhlthau's approach
- Discovering understanding through writing
 - Bean's approach
- Creating meaning through dialogue
 - Bakhtin according to Dysthe
- Creating knowledge through Søk & Skriv

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Process in Søk & Skriv

Learning objects	Starting (Oppgave-start)	Get an overview (Få oversikt)	Find and combine keywords (Finn og kombiner nøkkelord)	Searching, evaluating, collecting, writing (Søk og skriv)	Closure Take perspective, quality control, presenting, assessing the process (Avrunding)
Writing actions	Brainstorming Mind mapping Thinking texts	Annotated bibliography Tentative outlines Project statement	Listing and structuring keywords	Draft writing Presentation writing	Conclusion writing Editing Writing as craftsmanship Quality check Preparing oral presentation
	Writing to self	Writing to self	Discovering understanding as one writes along	Dialogue with others leading to improvement of text	Final publication of text aiming to reach an audience

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Joint library and faculty teaching - for a holistic view of learning

- Søk & Skriv's learning objects are established in cooperation with the faculty teaching staff to ensure academic quality, to adjust content and anchor it into the learning context.
- Søk & Skriv aims a situated learning model.
- Søk & Skriv is specially designed for distance learning students at postgraduate level.

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The screenshot shows the SØK & SKRIV website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'Startsiden', 'Basik', 'Assesent', 'For lærere', and 'Om Søk & Skriv'. Below these are 'Oppgaver', 'Oda's dagbok', and 'Veiledninger'. The main content area features a green header with a cartoon character and the title 'Oda's dagbok'. The text below reads: 'Helt Jeg er Oda fra Stavanger. Jeg gikk på jordmousteringen i for, og nå skal du få lov å lese dagboken jeg skrev det hable året da jeg holdt på med forspringsoppgaven. Etter eksamen fortalte jeg vellederen min om dagboken jeg hadde skrevet under oppgaveprosessen. Vellederen min ble imponert og fikk lese dagboken. Han sa at om skolen kunne få bruke dagboken min og de erfaringene som kommer til uttrykk der, som et eksempel på hvordan en oppgaveprosess kan være. Så her er dagboken min - helt usensurert! God lesing!' At the bottom, there are logos for NHH, UNIVERSITETET I BERGEN, and HANDELSHØI SKOLEN.

Example
from same
website:
Oda's
diary

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Teaching Information Literacy

Is about

- teaching learning skills
- teaching academic skills

By


- Writing
- Communicating

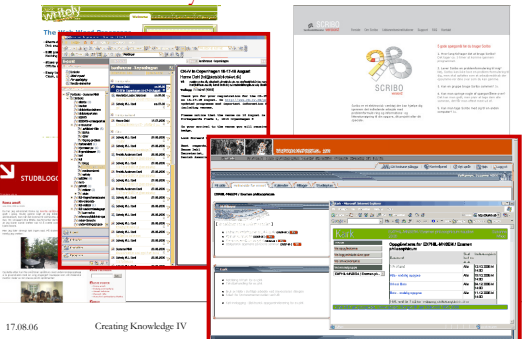
Where the library is one voice

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 **Online writing tools in the teaching community**




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 **Experience with teaching in integrated courses**

New courses are offered to **all** freshmen at faculty of science where

- IL is a part of the students mandatory beginner course (exphil)
- Written assignments are the basis for evaluation of students
- Library learning objectives are:
 - Get known with different sources
 - Learn how to find relevant information
 - Learn to evaluate sources
 - Get familiar with citing techniques
- Student evaluations are implemented inside the lms

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 **Concluding remarks**

With Søk & Skriv we

- emphasize that the information retrieval process and writing process are tightly connected
- enable the students to write a good thesis by training writing and communicating
- empower the students to become a part of the academic community

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