Evaluating Web Resources

**Authority**, expertise, credibility
- Who is responsible for content?

**Accuracy**
- Verify information by finding it in other sources

**Coverage/Audience/**
- What is the subject content/ depth

**Objectivity/Bias**
- Look for “our mission,” “who we are,” “about us”

**Currency**
- Is there a date for article or information?
- Is it the date the information was created or the date it was revised or updated?

How to Get Results From Only ONE Domain – and Why!

Google’s search engine allows you to specify a domain name in order to restrict your search to that domain. **WHY IS THIS USEFUL?**

1. If you want trustworthy sources about health, medicine, nutrition or U.S. demographics, the .GOV domain offers some of the very best resources.

2. If you want trustworthy sources about academic subjects, you can limit your search results to .EDU. You can find syllabi, tutorials, informational web pages on academic subjects, etc.

3. If you want in-depth reports and/or fact sheets in a variety of subject areas, you may want to restrict your search to .ORG sites. These are websites operated by non-profit organizations.

So... type in keywords and then [site:gov](http://site.gov) (or [site:edu](http://site.edu) or [site:org](http://site.org)).

**NOTE**: don’t forget the colon [ : ] between “site” and the domain name.