

## Section 5 – Safe Research

**FA Online is committed to educating students on *internet safety and smart research practices*.** A unit of FA 101 will address the best practices, fair and legal use of resources, and safety guidelines of online academic research to support effective and safe navigation to legitimate online resources and proper usage. **FA Online will make available to students various avenues to support research requirements included in the course content and requirements.** GradPoint provides an abundance of diverse learning resources within the platform, and in the extensively-vetted external links. Students get exposed to a broad spectrum of primary and secondary sources and information repositories, supportive of high school and, even, college-level research projects. CCs will offer additional resources and support during the research process. Students will be strongly encouraged to register for and conduct research within the learning resource databases and informational services provided without charge through the Arizona State and Maricopa County Public Library systems, and particularly the “Arizona Library System.”<sup>44</sup> This free service includes a wide range of resource databases including EBSCO, Student Research Center, History Reference Center, Library Reference Center, and Science Reference Center. This valuable resource will provide most, if not all resources needed for online students. A list of other free research databases (i.e. Google Scholar, Microsoft Academic Search, Virtual Reference Shelf) will be supplied to students.