

HOW IS SCHOLARSHIP LIKE A CONVERSATION?

Scholarly and professional research is a practice in which ideas are formed, debated, evaluated, and shared over time. Scholars and experts understand that an issue may involve different perspectives, like an ongoing conversation in which speakers exchange views and ideas. And, as in any conversation, some voices carry more influence or privilege than others, and some speakers are more credible than others, offering evidence and support for their contributions.

In scholarly research, as in conversation, it's important to know what you're talking about. If you want others to believe you, provide credible evidence. If you want others to trust what you say, accurately cite that evidence.

