Technologies for Connecting with Your Research Mentor

It can be difficult to collaborate on work and continue to stay connected
with your faculty research mentor while working remotely. These are some tools that might help you navigate a "virtual relationship" with your mentor. These tools might just work so well that you keep using them even if your research moves to an in-person situation!

Zotero- use to create bibliographies, save copies of reference articles, and share journal articles and notes with your faculty mentor and research team members:
- Zotero browser extension will allow you to save pdf of articles and reference info with a click
- Should allow you to maintain access to pdfs from UWF collection after you graduate (shhhhhhh……)
- Can add notes to articles as you read them
- Can create "research groups" to share articles or notes with your research mentor
- Will VERY EASILY create a formatted reference section for your paper/proposal/etc.

Evernote- keep your writing, meeting notes, conference photos, etc. organized (not supported by UWF, but has a free version and is easy to use):
- Like an electronic version of writing notes on notecards
- Can create "notebooks" for different research projects (or classes)
- Evernote web clipper extension for your browser will allow you to "clip" websites and save into your notebook
- Can make task lists, take notes, pull in images, photos, etc.
- Includes different templates to make creating different pages easily
- Can also create "research groups" to share notebooks with your mentor or other members of the team

Google Docs & Google Sheets:
- Use the comments feature in Docs or Sheets to leave "notes" for your mentor directly in the part of the text or the cell that you have questions on
- You can even include @username in the comment to notify your mentor that you have a question
- Use the track changes feature in Docs so you can see edits & suggestions to update the text of a document

Google Calendar:
- Keep track of your schedule – can access on multiple devices (computer & cell phone)
- Set up Google Meet/WebEx/Zoom video conference calls
- View/share calendars
- Use the "Find a Time" feature to find a time that fits in multiple people's schedules

Other Technologies for Working on Research Remotely- Did you know that through UWF Argo Apps, you can access these tools from home:
- Microsoft Office 2019 (windows version)
- SPSS
- SAS
- Solidworks
- Mathcad
- MATLAB R2019a

UWF students can also request access to use ESRI ArcGIS (mapping software) and ERDAS IMAGINE (remote sensing image processing software)