

# HOW TO NAVIGATE THE COURSE

## 01 How to access the course

- You must register to access the course. Registration allows you to track progress and access your certificates of completion.
- From the [homepage](#), you can **register** or **log in**.
- To register: Select “Need to register? Click here!” and follow the prompts.
- To log in: Select “Login”.

The screenshot shows the DORA website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the DORA logo and various menu items like 'About', 'Communities', 'Meetings', 'Grants', and 'Contact'. Below the navigation bar, there are several tabs: 'Reformscape', 'The Declaration', 'Project TARA', 'DORA Reports', and 'News and Resources'. A 'Sign DORA' button is visible in the top right corner. The main content area features a course page for 'The DORA introductory course on responsible research assessment'. The page has two tabs: 'Course' (selected) and 'Materials'. The course title is prominently displayed. Below the title, there is a brief description of the course. A hand icon points to the 'Login' button in the 'Enroll in this course' section. Below the 'Login' button, there is a link that says 'Need to register? Click here!'. The 'Course Content' section is visible on the right side, listing three lessons with their respective topics and quizzes.



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## 02 How to navigate the home page

- After logging in, you will be taken back to the homepage.
- From the homepage, you can access:
  - Your profile
  - Course lessons
  - Course materials (reading lists and glossary)

The DORA introductory course on responsible research assessment

The introductory responsible research assessment (RRA) course aims to empower anyone to challenge existing assumptions around research quality and impact, by introducing them to the concept of *responsible* research assessment, its foundational principles, and how RRA aims to improve evaluation practices.

This course is **free, self-paced**, and designed for you to **pick and choose** which lessons are most relevant and useful. Each lesson includes a glossary of key terms and an annotated bibliography to help guide you if you wish to dive more deeply into different topics touched on during the lesson.

**Who is this course for?** This is an introductory course open to anyone, regardless of career level or discipline, seeking to learn about RRA. This course is designed for anyone working in research, research administration or leadership, research funding or policy, scholarly publishing or communication, or metrics providers who seek to drive positive change in the research system. Given that this topic is focused on those in the academic space, a familiarity with academia or higher education, research policy, and/or academic publishing is highly recommended.

**What will you gain?** Build a foundational understanding of RRA, gain insights into innovative tools and approaches such as Narrative CVs, and be inspired from real-world examples of successful RRA implementation from institutions worldwide.

**Course content**

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- understand the definition of RRA

Course Content

- Lesson 1: What is Responsible Research Assessment? (9 Topics | 1 Quiz) (44% COMPLETE | 4/9 Steps)
- The Problem that the Current System Faces
- Who Conducts "Research Assessment"?
- Where Does "Research Assessment" Occur?
- Motivations for Modernizing Research Assessment
- Types of Contributions and Impacts Beyond Traditional Outputs like



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## 03 How to access your profile

- After logging in, you will be taken to the homepage. From there, you can access your profile.
- On your profile page, you can:
  - Edit your profile by selecting “Edit profile”. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click Update Profile to save changes.
  - Download your certificates of completion.
  - Navigate back to the course.
  - View your progress.

The screenshot shows the DORA user profile page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the DORA logo, a language selector (Provided by Google Translate), and links for About, Communities, Meetings, Grants, and Contact. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for Reformscape, The Declaration, Project TARA, DORA Reports, and News and Resources, along with a Sign DORA button. The main content area features a profile card with a circular profile picture placeholder and an 'Edit profile' button highlighted with a red box and a hand icon. Below the profile card are statistics: 1 Courses, 0 Completed, 0 Certificates, and 0 Points. The 'Your Courses' section lists 'Introduction to Responsible Research Assessment Course' with an 'IN PROGRESS' status, highlighted by a red box and a hand icon. A progress bar shows '16% COMPLETE 6/37 Steps'. Below the course list is a table with columns for Quizzes, Certificate, Score, Statistics, and Date. The 'Certificate' column for 'Lesson 1' is highlighted with a red box and a hand icon, showing a 100% score and a completion date of October 27, 2025 11:24 am.



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## 04 How to access lesson content

- Navigate between lessons from the [homepage](#).
- Each lesson has multiple topics.
- The topics that are completed have a check mark next to them.
- Select the title of any lesson or topic to begin.
- Each lesson includes optional reflective questions and quiz questions. These are not graded and are for your own reflection and knowledge.
- Each lesson concludes with an optional quiz that you may take to obtain a certificate of completion.

The screenshot displays the course interface for 'The DORA introductory course on responsible research assessment'. The page is divided into several sections:

- Course Materials:** Includes 'Course' and 'Materials' tabs.
- Course Title:** 'The DORA introductory course on responsible research assessment'.
- Description:** 'The introductory responsible research assessment (RRA) course aims to empower anyone to challenge existing assumptions around research quality and impact, by introducing them to the concept of *responsible* research assessment, its foundational principles, and how RRA aims to improve evaluation practices.'
- Course Features:** 'This course is **free, self-paced**, and designed for you to **pick and choose** which lessons are most relevant and useful. Each lesson includes a glossary of key terms and an annotated bibliography to help guide you if you wish to dive more deeply into different topics touched on during the lesson.'
- Target Audience:** 'Who is this course for? This is an introductory course open to anyone, regardless of career level or discipline, seeking to learn about RRA. This course is designed for anyone working in research, research administration or leadership, research funding or policy, scholarly publishing or communication, or metrics providers who seek to drive positive change in the research system. Given that this topic is focused on those in the academic space, a familiarity with academia or higher education, research policy, and/or academic publishing is highly recommended.'
- Learning Objectives:** 'What will you gain? Build a foundational understanding of RRA, gain insights into innovative tools and approaches such as Narrative CVs, and be inspired from real-world examples of successful RRA implementation from institutions worldwide.'
- Course Content:** A sidebar on the right shows the course progress: '16% COMPLETE Last activity on February 5, 2026 11:16 am'. It lists the following lessons and topics:
  - Lesson 1: What is Responsible Research Assessment? (9 Topics | 1 Quiz) - 44% COMPLETE, 4/9 Steps. This lesson is highlighted with a hand icon pointing to it.
  - The Problem that the Current System Faces (Completed)
  - Who Conducts "Research Assessment" (Completed)
  - Where Does "Research Assessment" Occur? (Completed)
  - Motivations for Modernizing Research Assessment (Completed)
  - Types of Contributions and Impacts Beyond Traditional Outputs like (Not Started)



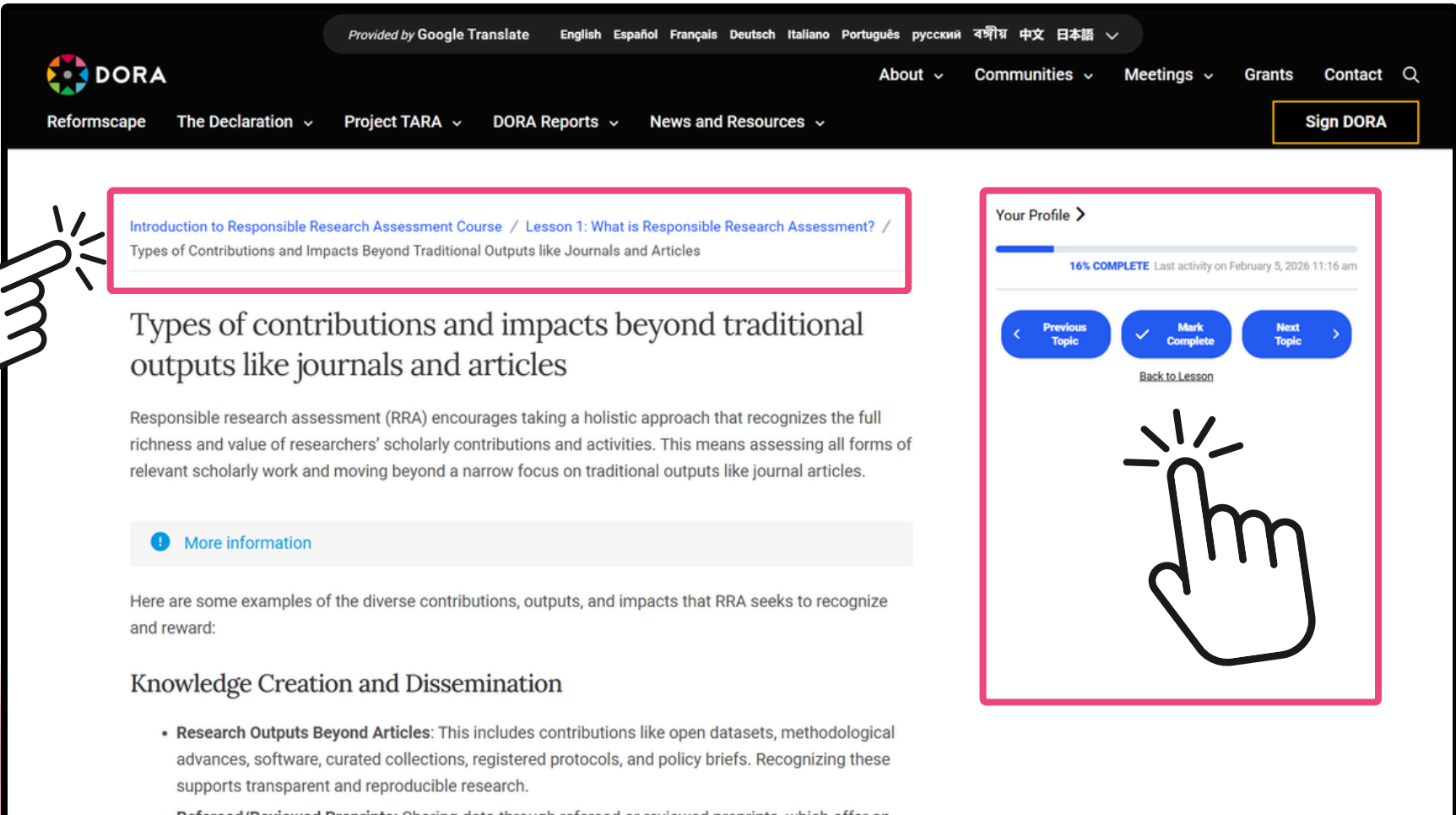
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## 05 How to navigate lesson content

- Navigate between lessons from the [homepage](#).
- Navigate back to the homepage using the link at the top of each lesson topic.
- To save your progress through lessons, you must mark them complete by selecting the “Mark Complete” button.
- Advance through lessons using the “Previous Topic” and “Next Topic” buttons.
- Each lesson includes optional reflective questions and quiz questions. These are not graded.
- Each lesson concludes with an optional quiz that you may take to obtain a certificate of completion.



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The main content area shows a lesson page titled "Introduction to Responsible Research Assessment Course / Lesson 1: What is Responsible Research Assessment? / Types of Contributions and Impacts Beyond Traditional Outputs like Journals and Articles". A hand icon points to the lesson title. The page content includes a sub-heading "Types of contributions and impacts beyond traditional outputs like journals and articles" and a paragraph explaining Responsible Research Assessment (RRA). A "More information" button is visible.

On the right side, there is a "Your Profile" sidebar. It shows a progress bar at 16% COMPLETE and a "Last activity on February 5, 2026 11:16 am". Below the progress bar are three buttons: "Previous Topic", "Mark Complete" (with a checkmark), and "Next Topic". A "Back to Lesson" link is also present. A hand icon points to the "Mark Complete" button.



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## 06 How to navigate knowledge checks

- Knowledge checks like reflective questions and quizzes are OPTIONAL.
- **Quiz:** After submitting your response, click “View Questions” to check answers.
- **Reflective questions:** Draft and track your responses on paper or in a Word document. Reflective questions are a voluntary exercise for self reflection on the course content.

Quiz question

What is the primary purpose of adopting RRA practices?

To standardize research funding amounts across all disciplines.

To improve the ways in which research, researchers and organizations are evaluated.

To get rid of the Journal Impact Factor (JIF).

To create new research methods.

Finish Quiz

View Questions

Quiz question

What is the primary purpose of adopting RRA practices?

To standardize research funding amounts across all disciplines.

To improve the ways in which research, researchers and organizations are evaluated. Correct

To get rid of the Journal Impact Factor (JIF).

To create new research methods.

## Reflective Question

What do you think research assessment is?

*Instructions: Draft and track your responses on paper or in a Word document. Reflective questions are a voluntary exercise for self reflection on the course content and are not graded or reviewed.*



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