

Definition

Information literacy, the ability to effectively locate, analyze and use information, has become as necessary a skill as reading, writing, and arithmetic. Library courses provide the means to develop information literacy skills for academic class work and lifelong learning.

These courses help students more effectively function in all programs offered at the college by teaching academic research methods and the organization of information. Students learn the history, development and function of information in society and develop an appreciation of how information skills enhance their lives beyond college.

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Certificate Program

Certificate not applicable.

Associate Degree

Associate degree not available.

Transfer

Not a transfer major.

Prerequisite Completion

All prerequisite courses must be completed with a satisfactory grade in order to enroll in the next course. According to Title 5, Section 55200(d), a satisfactory grade is a grade of "A," "B," "C" or "P". Classes in which the Pass/No Pass option is available are indicated with an asterisk (*) before the course title. See "Pass/No Pass Option" in the catalog for full explanation.

Library Studies Courses

LIB 101 *INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMIC LIBRARY RESEARCH

2 units

2 hours weekly

This course will introduce students to the basics of library research. It will cover using periodical databases, library catalogs, and search engines. Students will learn to evaluate information, especially websites, for quality by considering authorship, timeliness, and information sources used.

Students will become familiar with a variety of reference sources in print and on the Web covering an array of subject areas. Information technology will also be covered. (CSU, AVC)

LIB 107 *INFORMATION LITERACY

3 units

3 hours weekly

Advisory: Eligibility for ENGL 101 or placement by multiple measures.

The course is developed following the guidelines and framework for Information Literacy created by the Association of College and Research Libraries. Students will learn how information is organized, how to search for and retrieve information, and how to evaluate information. Students will learn to use online and print reference sources, information technology tools, and how to search, not just surf, the Internet. Students will learn the steps of completing a research paper, but will develop a bibliography of properly cited and annotated information resources and publish the finished document as a blog item. This course is designed to satisfy the Information Literacy requirements that may be found at many colleges and universities. (CSU, AVC)

LIB 110 *INTRODUCTION TO INTERNET RESEARCH

1 unit

1 hour weekly

Advisory: Eligibility for ENGL 101 or placement by multiple measures.

This is an introductory course in the use of internet resources as research tools. Course content includes effective and efficient use of and the history and development of internet search engines and evaluating sources of information on the internet for their use and applicability in college-level research. (CSU, AVC)

LIB 199 *OCCUPATIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

1–8 units, hours vary

Prerequisite: To participate in work experience, students must have a job or internship which is either paid or voluntary and have the approval of the supervisor and instructor supervising work experience in the specific subject area. PRIOR TO ENROLLING, students must attend a scheduled orientation or meet individually with the supervising instructor for an individual orientation.

Occupational Work Experience Education is supervised employment designed to provide students a realistic learning experience through work. The ultimate goal is to teach students those skills and attitudes that will equip them to function and adapt as an employee in a variety of situations and jobs. Occupational Work Experience Education is supervised employment extending classroom-based occupational learning at an on-the-job learning station related to the student's educational major or occupational goal. Credit may be accrued at the rate of one to eight units per semester. For the satisfactory completion of all types of Cooperative Work Experience Education (WE 197 and WE 199), students may earn up to a total of sixteen semester credit hours. (AVC) (R3)