

LIBR 101 Research Methods

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students should be able to do the following:

- Understand how knowledge is organized in an academic library
- Use a variety of methods for developing and refining research topics
- Construct and implement effectively designed search strategies
- Identify, critically evaluate, and correctly document a variety of relevant information sources
- Understand ethical issues regarding the use of information

LIBR 103 Introduction to Library and Information Science

LIBR 103 fulfills the Information Literacy (CILT) flag of the core curriculum

Learning Outcomes

- Distinguish between information formats and the processes underlying the creation, dissemination, and consumption of information
- Understand research as a process of developing questions and using information to answer those questions, solve problems, or support arguments
- Use search strategies to identify and access credible and relevant sources of information and use that knowledge for a particular purpose. **(CILT LO1 Explore)**
- Critically evaluate various sources of information by asking strategic questions about origins, context, and suitability for use. **(CILT LO2 Evaluate)**
- Use sources of information effectively and ethically. **(CILT LO3 Apply)**

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