This course introduces students to college level, online research, including how to locate, use, and evaluate information from the Internet. This course provides librarian guided study with student skills demonstration using library college research resources such as the GWC Library online databases and Internet resources such as online directories, virtual libraries, and search engines.
Req. Competency in research methods/writing
Students work through information literacy assignments and show competence on a final exam/project.

COURSE LEVEL STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) Supported by this course:

1. determine the scope of information needs; locate and retrieve relevant information; organize, analyze, and evaluate information; and understand the ethical and legal issues surrounding information and information technology.
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COURSE CONTENT:

LECTURE CONTENT:

A. Internet
   1. History of the Internet.
   3. Online class environment.
B. Internet Communication Tools
   1. Email
   2. Other social networking sites such as:
      a. Internet chat (Allows users to "talk" to one another in virtual real time.)
      b. Social networking interfaces (Internet sites for online communication through an interactive network.)
      c. Blogs (Web logs or blogs are a Web content created by independent writers.)
      d. Wikis (A website that allows users to add and edit content collectively.)
   3. Privacy considerations
   4. Netiquette (proper online interaction with others)
C. Online Research Strategies & Topics
   1. Internet content overviews.
   2. Internet searching techniques.
   3. Internet navigation and commands.
   4. Broad and narrow topics.
D. World Wide Web Tools
   1. Search Engines
      a. Content overviews
      b. Searching techniques
      c. Navigation commands
   2. Online Directories
      a. Content overviews
      b. Searching techniques
      c. Navigation commands
   3. Virtual Libraries
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a. Content overviews
b. Search techniques
c. Navigation commands

E. Google
   1. Content overviews
   2. Search techniques
   3. Navigation commands
   4. Privacy

F. Evaluating Websites
   1. Authority and reliability
   2. Objectivity
   3. Structure and content

G. Library Online Databases
   1. Content overviews
   2. Search techniques
   3. Navigation commands

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:
A. Lecture:
B. Online:
C. Independent Study:

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNIQUES:

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS:
Reading Assignments

Text
Websites
Instructor prepared materials and library online electronic databases

Out-of-class Assignments

Writing Assignments

Students complete weekly written research assignments, participate in discussion, and demonstrate their ability to locate, evaluate and document online library and Internet resources for college level research.

METHODS OF STUDENT EVALUATION:
Final Exam
Short Quizzes
Written Assignments
Objective Examinations
Projects (ind/group)
Skills Demonstration

Demonstration of Critical Thinking:

Students will read, understand, and interpret the authority, content and format of online resources for college research. Students will demonstrate and apply principles learned to locate, analyze, compare, and evaluate online information.

Required Writing, Problem Solving, Skills Demonstration:

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TEXTS, READINGS, AND RESOURCES:
TextBooks:

LIBRARY:

*Adequate library resources include:* Print Materials
Non-Print Materials
Online Materials
Services

Comments:

Attachments:

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