



Mission Statement and Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

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Mission Statement

Southwestern Illinois College Library is an integral partner in the fulfillment of the college’s educational endeavor. As a teaching library, we prepare students to locate, retrieve, evaluate, and use information effectively in the current environment of rapid technological change and we are committed to continually assessing the strength of student information literacy skills. As the college’s principal provider of scholarly information, we are dedicated to providing quality resources that support the college curriculum through collection development, acquisition, organization, and management ensuring both physical and virtual access. Through instruction, information resources, versatile access, and welcoming facilities at each campus, the library fosters lifelong intellectual growth, discovery and self-fulfillment helping patrons to solve challenges and fully participate in the global community as informed citizens.

Co-Curricular Map

Learning Outcomes	Learning Experience/Activity/ Program	Learning Experience/Activity/ Program	Learning Experience/Activity/ Program	Comments
1 Student determines the nature and extent of information needed to answer a question or solve a problem.	Reference Transaction. Information consultations in which librarians recommend, interpret, evaluate, and/or use information resources to help students to meet particular information needs.	Library Tour / ORIE 101 Course. Librarians introduce students to the facility and highlight physical collections, library services, technology equipment and study spaces.	Library Instruction Session. Librarians teach students how to efficiently and effectively utilize online article databases, online library catalogs, online reference material, and additional online resources and services.	
2 Student applies a variety of strategies and research finding tools in order to identify, access, and use sources most appropriate for the information need.	Reference Transaction. Information consultations in which librarians recommend, interpret, evaluate, and/or use information resources to help students to meet particular information needs.	Library Tour / ORIE 101 Course. Librarians introduce students to the facility and highlight physical collections, library services, technology equipment and study spaces.	Library Instruction Session. Librarians teach students how to efficiently and effectively utilize online article databases, online library catalogs, online reference material, and additional online resources and services.	
3 Students apply evaluation criteria to assess the reliability, validity, accuracy, authority, currency and bias of information.	Reference Transaction. Information consultations in which librarians recommend, interpret, evaluate, and/or use information resources to help students to meet particular information needs.	Library Tour / ORIE 101 Course. Librarians introduce students to the facility and highlight physical collections, library services, technology equipment and study spaces.	Library Instruction Session. Librarians teach students how to efficiently and effectively utilize online article databases, online library catalogs, online reference material, and additional online resources and services.	
4 Students use information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose.	Reference Transaction. Information consultations in which librarians recommend, interpret, evaluate, and/or use information resources to help students to meet particular information needs.	Library Tour / ORIE 101 Course. Librarians introduce students to the facility and highlight physical collections, library services, technology equipment and study spaces.	Library Instruction Session. Librarians teach students how to efficiently and effectively utilize online article databases, online library catalogs, online reference material, and additional online resources and services.	
5 Student understands many of the economic, legal and social issues surrounding the use of information and accesses and uses the information ethically and legally.	Reference Transaction. Information consultations in which librarians recommend, interpret, evaluate, and/or use information resources to help students to meet particular information needs.	Library Tour / ORIE 101 Course. Librarians introduce students to the facility and highlight physical collections, library services, technology equipment and study spaces.	Library Instruction Session. Librarians teach students how to efficiently and effectively utilize online article databases, online library catalogs, online reference material, and additional online resources and services.	