

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Information Resources for Research

Course Abbreviation and Number: LIB 1600

Credit Hours: 1 credit hour.

Course Type: Lecture

Course Description: Students will develop basic skills in research techniques using a variety of print and web-based information resources. Focus is on location and retrieval of information, and evaluation and ethical use of resources.

No requisites.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Select basic college-level electronic research tools based on their information needs.
2. Design effective search strategies for a variety of electronic research tools.
3. Evaluate the information retrieved regardless of format.
4. Use information resources ethically.

To assess student learning, the course includes embedded hands-on activities and assignments to determine student understanding of the course objectives.

Topics Covered:

- Introduction to the research process
 - The information cycle and information formats
 - Introduction to library resources
 - Search strategies
 - Library catalogs
 - Library databases
 - Online search engines
 - Evaluating information sources
 - Copyright, plagiarism, and citations
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Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
 - [Civility Statement](#)
 - [Student Responsibility Statement](#)
 - [Academic Integrity Statement](#)
- [Accessibility Services](#)
Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
- [Get Help: JCC & Community Resources](#)
- [Emergency Closing Procedures](#)
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.
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Effective Date: Fall 2021