Information Literacy Goal and Objectives

Information literacy is a person’s ability to define an information need, find and access information, critically evaluate information for relevance and credibility, and use information effectively and ethically.

All four foundation courses (FYS 101, ENG 101, RST 101 and PHI 101) are expected to provide instruction in information literacy in some form. Majors and programs are expected to augment instruction in information literacy in a way that is specific to the discipline.

Goal: Students will understand where and how to collect information, how to comprehend and analyze it, and how to apply information gathered to complete a task in an ethical manner.

Objectives: Students will:

A. Define and determine the nature and extent of needed information.

B. Find and access information addressing a topic effectively and efficiently.

C. Evaluate information and its sources critically.

D. Use information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose.

E. Use information ethically within the norms of academic discourse.