

# SACRAMENTO CITY COLLEGE



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Library

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The Sacramento City College Library credit courses are designed to equip students with vital research skills, enabling their success in college classes and on the job. Students will gain “research survival skills” to cope with the information rich environment in which they live and work. In particular, these classes teach students how to find and evaluate information from print, the Internet, and other online resources.

SCC Librarians offer non-credit sessions demonstrating the use of library resources and the Internet. The library web site (<http://www.scc.losrios.edu/~library>) links to a wide variety of sources provided for SCC students and staff to satisfy a range of research and information needs. Librarians are also available to guide students through the research process whenever the library is open. Please drop by the reference desk on the second floor of the Learning Resource Center for assistance or more information.

## Library (LIB)

### **LIBR 305      Legal Information Resources      .5 Unit**

*Prerequisite: None.*

*Advisory: ENGWR 101 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Intermediate High Reading) with grades of “C” or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.*

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours: 9 hours LEC*

This course will explore both print and electronic legal information resources. Students will gain a general understanding of the legal system in the United States and the associated legal resources. They will learn how to analyze topics, define information needs, and utilize appropriate legal resources. It is designed for people working in libraries with legal resources, students who might be doing legal research, or individuals interested in the legal field. This course may be taken twice for credit based on significant changes in online and print resources.

### **LIBR 306      Genealogy Research      .5 Unit**

*Prerequisite: None.*

*Advisory: ENGWR 101 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Intermediate High Reading) with grades of “C” or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.*

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours: 9 hours LEC*

This course will introduce the basics of the genealogical research process including various strategies for obtaining and sharing information about your family background. It will explore many of the print and online resources available for genealogical research and will train students to analyze and evaluate genealogical resources. It is designed for people who are interested in learning genealogy, but who have no previous training or experience with genealogical research. This course may be taken twice for credit based on significant changes in online and print resources.

### **LIBR 307      Medical Information Resources      .5 Unit**

*Prerequisite: None.*

*Advisory: ENGWR 101 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Intermediate High Reading) with grades of “C” or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.*

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours: 9 hours LEC*

This hands-on course will explore print and electronic sources of medical information. It is designed for people working in libraries with medical resources or individuals interested in the medical field. This course may be taken twice for credit based on significant changes in online and print resources.

### **LIBR 309      Consumer Business Reference      .5 Unit**

*Prerequisite: None.*

*Advisory: ENGWR 101 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Intermediate High Reading) with grades of “C” or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.*

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours: 9 hours LEC*

This course explores basic resources that today’s business consumers can utilize to fulfill their business information needs. Topics include sources for investment decisions, small business and franchise information, career resources and consumer research. The class uses a hands-on problem solving approach that emphasizes Internet and other electronic sources. This course may be taken twice for credit based on significant changes in online and print resources.

### **LIBR 311      Online Searching      .5 Unit**

*Prerequisite: None.*

*Advisory: ENGWR 101 and ENGRD 310; or ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with grades of “C” or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.*

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours: 9 hours LEC*

This course will help students develop an understanding of search strategies and online databases and catalogs using resources such as online library catalogs, databases, and the Internet. It is designed for students who wish to become comfortable utilizing a variety of informational resources for research and to improve their ability to find and evaluate information in an online environment. This course may be taken twice for credit based on significant changes in online resources.

**LIBR 318 Library Research and Information Literacy 1 Unit**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* ENGWR 101 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Advanced-Low Reading) with grades of "C" or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area III(b)

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 18 hours LEC

This course provides the information competency skills necessary to conduct academic or personal research. It offers a step-by-step guide to the research process that is applicable to term papers, course work, and life-long learning.

**LIBR 320 Introduction to Internet Research 1 Unit**

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* ENGWR 101 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Intermediate High Reading) with grades of "C" or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours:* 18 hours LEC

This course will acquaint students with the history, structure, and tools of the Internet as used for academic and personal research. Topics will include using the Internet for communication (email, mailing lists, 'blogs, etc.), selecting appropriate search tools, learning search strategies and evaluating the quality of information obtained online. This course may be taken twice for credit based on significant changes in the Internet.

**LIBR 325 Internet Research Skills 3 Units**

*Same As:* LIBT 325

*Prerequisite:* None.

*Advisory:* ENGWR 101; ENGWR 100 (College Writing) and ENGRD 310 (Prose Analysis and Interpretation); or ESLW 320 (Advanced-Low Writing) and ESLR 320 (Intermediate High Reading) with grades of "C" or better; or placement through the assessment process. Basic familiarity with computers is recommended for this course.

*General Education:* AA/AS Area III(b)

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

This course is an introductory survey to the content, use, and the evaluation of electronic information sources. Emphasis is placed on the effective use of the Internet as a research tool. This course covers free Internet search tools as well as subscription databases. Communication services such as email, groups, and blogs are also studied as are emerging services and technologies as appropriate. Searching strategies are covered as are techniques for selecting appropriate search tools for different research needs. Historical and social issues surrounding the Internet are also discussed. This course will also discuss the use Internet technologies in libraries. The Internet seeking and evaluation skills learned in this class are critical to anyone who is seeking employment in a library setting. Credit may be awarded for LIBR 325 or LIBT 325, but not for both.

**LIBR 495 Independent Studies in Library 1-3 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours:* 162 hours LAB

This course involves an individual student or small groups of students in study, research, or activities beyond the scope of regular offered courses, pursuant to an agreement among college, faculty, and students. Independent studies in LIBR allows students to investigate and explore areas of interest in the field.

**LIBR 499 Experimental Offering in Library .5-4 Units**

*Prerequisite:* None

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours:* 54 hours LEC

See Experimental Offering