

Information Literacy

The general objective of this course is to enable DSC students to become information literate. The specific objectives are based on the Association of College & Research Libraries' Information Literacy Standards. Successful completion of this course fulfills the DSC General Education Information Literacy requirement, as well as meeting the Utah System of Higher Education standards for information resources, technology research tools, and ethics of information access and use. Consequently, a course that fulfills the General Education Information Literacy requirement will teach students to:

- Recognize and articulate the need for information.
- Understand how information is designed, stored, and organized.
- Identify and select the most appropriate investigative methods of information retrieval systems.
- Develop and implement effective search strategies.
- Identify, locate, and retrieve information.
- Analyze, evaluate, and synthesize the information.
- Use information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose.
- Assess the information seeking process and product.
- Understand many of the economic, legal, and social issues surrounding the use of information.
- Access and use information ethically and legally.

To meet these goals, courses in information literacy will require students to complete, at a minimum, the following:

- Read each of 10 modules
- Demonstrate competence or mastery of the module topics by scoring at least 80% on a quiz for each module.
- Earn a minimum of 70% on a comprehensive final exam