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# Research Brief

Title: Library On-Demand Survey

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During the spring 2016 semester students using librarian services were asked to take a brief survey with regard to their needs.

There were 57 respondents. Students were asked to identify which course brought them in. Nearly half were there for help with English (42%) followed by Biology (16%), Political Science and Microbiology (9%), Art and Art History (5%), Communication, Food and Nutrition, History, Music, and PE (2% each). 4% did not indicate a course specifically.

Students were asking for help with research papers (65%), Peer-Reviewed Articles (11%), Essays (5%), Argument Assignments or Project (4%). Other items included family history, MLA formatting, citing work, periodic articles, and resource materials.

Overall, students had very positive responses and none disagreed or showed any level of dissatisfaction.

<b>After working with the Librarian today I feel better prepared to:</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>N</b>
<b>Use the catalog to locate books, DVDs, audiobooks, and eBooks on my topic</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Use research databases to locate peer-reviewed articles, journal articles, magazines and newspaper articles, or other information on my topic</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Determine credible websites and sources outside the library's resources and research databases</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>6%</b>

When asked their level of agreement with gaining increased confidence in conducting future research projects, students indicated 96%. Students also felt 100% comfortable asking the Librarians help in the future.

Student comments included praise for specific librarians and general satisfaction.

<b>Do you have any suggestions or comments for the library and librarians?</b>
<b>Cynthia was very helpful, she helped me choose my contemporary topic and made it easy to find an article on the databases</b>
<b>Great help, thank you!</b>
<b>I appreciate your help. Thanks!</b>
<b>I had a great time</b>
<b>Keep doing what you are doing.</b>
<b>Keep up the good work!!</b>
<b>Librarian was a great help in helping me with sources for my research paper.</b>
<b>no</b>
<b>no suggestions but to keep up the good work</b>
<b>She made things understandable and easy for me to follow. She was professional and kind. I very much appreciate the assistance.</b>
<b>Thank Brooke for your help in determining my research subject, as well as guiding me through the databases. Very much appreciated!</b>
<b>The librarian I worked with was very kind and extremely helpful.</b>
<b>The librarian was great. She strongly disagreed with the idea of looking up my resources on google. I now know how to properly look up credible resource materials. I promise that I will not google articles. Keep up the good work Ms. Cynthia!</b>
<b>The possibility of inter-library loans to acquire research that may not be readily available.</b>
<b>They do a great job at helping, you find sources.</b>
<b>upgrade technology, like the computer systems and anything else that needs to be updated</b>
<b>Very helpful!</b>