

First-Year Students

Item wording or description	Variable name	Values ^c	Response options	Frequency Distributions ^a				Statistical Comparisons ^b		
				Brenau		Information Literacy		Brenau	Information Literacy	Effect size ^d
				Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	
1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?										
a. Completed an assignment that used an information source (book, article, website, etc.) other than required course readings	INL01a	1	Never	0	0	401	3	3.1	3.1	.07
		2	Sometimes	13	26	3,377	23			
		3	Often	20	37	5,696	39			
		4	Very often	18	37	4,721	35			
		Total		51	100	14,195	100			
b. Worked on a paper or project that had multiple smaller assignments such as an outline, annotated bibliography, rough draft, etc.	INL01b	1	Never	0	0	731	5	3.0	2.9	.14
		2	Sometimes	19	37	3,985	29			
		3	Often	14	26	5,695	39			
		4	Very often	18	37	3,747	27			
		Total		51	100	14,158	100			
c. Received feedback from an instructor that improved your use of information resources (source selection, proper citation, etc.)	INL01c	1	Never	3	6	747	6	3.1	2.8 *	.33
		2	Sometimes	9	17	4,136	29			
		3	Often	18	36	5,974	41			
		4	Very often	20	41	3,302	25			
		Total		50	100	14,159	100			
d. Completed an assignment that used the library's electronic collection of articles, books, and journals (JSTOR, EBSCO, LexisNexis, ProQuest, etc.)	INL01d	1	Never	8	17	2,553	17	2.4	2.5	-.07
		2	Sometimes	23	44	4,992	34			
		3	Often	9	17	4,182	29			
		4	Very often	11	22	2,444	19			
		Total		51	100	14,171	100			
e. Decided not to use an information source in a course assignment due to its questionable quality	INL01e	1	Never	16	32	3,720	27	2.1	2.1	-.02
		2	Sometimes	20	39	5,853	41			
		3	Often	8	15	3,338	23			
		4	Very often	7	15	1,228	9			
		Total		51	100	14,139	100			
f. Changed the focus of a paper or project based on information you found while researching the topic	INL01f	1	Never	7	15	2,247	17	2.6	2.3 *	.33
		2	Sometimes	16	32	6,320	45			
		3	Often	16	30	4,250	29			
		4	Very often	11	22	1,309	10			
		Total		50	100	14,126	100			
g. Looked for a reference that was cited in something you read	INL01g	1	Never	4	8	2,007	14	2.8	2.5 **	.39
		2	Sometimes	15	30	5,501	38			
		3	Often	16	32	4,800	33			
		4	Very often	15	30	1,830	15			
		Total		50	100	14,138	100			
h. Identified how a book, article, or creative work has contributed to a field of study	INL01h	1	Never	4	7	2,497	18	2.8	2.4 **	.44
		2	Sometimes	17	33	5,606	39			
		3	Often	18	34	4,460	31			
		4	Very often	12	26	1,549	12			
		Total		51	100	14,112	100			

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2. During the current school year, how much have your instructors emphasized the following?										
a. Not plagiarizing another author's work	INL02a	1	Very little	0	0	232	2	3.7	3.6	.16
		2	Some	4	7	1,109	8			
		3	Quite a bit	10	19	3,388	23			
		4	Very much	37	74	9,409	67			
		Total		51	100	14,138	100			
b. Appropriately citing the sources used in a paper or project	INL02b	1	Very little	2	5	225	2	3.5	3.5	.10
		2	Some	4	7	1,354	9			
		3	Quite a bit	8	15	4,198	29			
		4	Very much	37	72	8,351	60			
		Total		51	100	14,128	100			
c. Using scholarly or peer-reviewed sources in your course assignments	INL02c	1	Very little	1	4	520	4	3.5	3.3 *	.31
		2	Some	5	10	2,094	15			
		3	Quite a bit	9	17	4,515	31			
		4	Very much	35	70	6,988	50			
		Total		50	100	14,117	100			
d. Questioning the quality of information sources	INL02d	1	Very little	2	5	773	6	3.2	3.1	.15
		2	Some	9	17	2,793	19			
		3	Quite a bit	14	27	4,784	33			
		4	Very much	25	51	5,729	41			
		Total		50	100	14,079	100			
e. Using practices (terminology, methods, writing style, etc.) of a specific major or field of study	INL02e	1	Very little	1	4	1,075	8	3.2	2.9 *	.34
		2	Some	7	13	3,607	26			
		3	Quite a bit	19	38	4,728	32			
		4	Very much	23	45	4,604	34			
		Total		50	100	14,014	100			
3. How much has your experience at this institution contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in using information effectively?										
	INL03	1	Very little	3	6	426	4	3.0	3.1	-.07
		2	Some	13	28	2,788	20			
		3	Quite a bit	14	27	6,272	43			
		4	Very much	20	39	4,635	33			
		Total		50	100	14,121	100			

*p<.05, **p<.01, ***p<.001 (2-tailed); Refer to the endnotes page for the key to triangle symbols.