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Information literacy, why it is important and how to teach it.

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AHC Library Mission and Learning Outcomes

Allan Hancock College Library

The library's mission is to support all Allan Hancock College students and staff with both immediate research needs and the development of information literacy skills, to enhance lifelong learning. In addition, the library is the campus "center of learning," with a welcoming atmosphere conducive to studying and learning. Our Learning Outcomes:

- PSLO 1. Navigate a library to find a variety of resources to answer information needs.
- PSLO 2. Define an information need by formulating a research question, problem, or issue in a manner that others in the discipline can readily understand.
- PSLO 3. Use a research process to efficiently locate an appropriate source of information for a problem or question.
- PSLO 4. Evaluate the quality of information sources for bias, currency, authority, accuracy, and coverage.
- PSLO 5. Use information ethically by citing sources and avoiding plagiarism.

**Information literacy forms the basis for
lifelong learning.**



What is Information Literacy?

An information literate individual is able to:

- Determine** the extent of information needed
- Access** the needed information **effectively and efficiently**
- Evaluate** information and its sources **critically**
- Incorporate** selected information into one's **knowledge** base
- Use** information effectively to accomplish a specific **purpose**
- Understand** the economic, legal, and social **issues** surrounding the use of information, and access and **use information ethically and legally**

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