Discussions with Prof. Brian Lopez regarding Psych. 202 LIS

Mon 8/28, 5:05 PM
Hi Prof. Lopez,

Hello. My name is Tim Ream and I will be the Librarian at Fullerton College providing the Library Instruction Session that you requested for Tuesday, Sept. 5th.

I am contacting you to introduce myself, but also to follow-up and see if there are any specific topics, library resources, or special instructions that you might have for me.

If you have a syllabus for the course, this would be particularly useful for the purposes of instruction.

This is my first semester here at Fullerton College, so I would like for this to be an excellent experience for your students where they learn all about our Library and what it can offer.

It is very nice to meet you, and I will see you and your students on Tuesday, September 5th.

Thank you,
Tim Ream

Mon 8/28, 7:53 PM

Hi Tim,

Thank you for following up on this. I am attaching the course syllabus. This semester, students will be asked to perform a literature search as they prepare their own research projects. I have advised students to select only PsycARTICLES, Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection, and ERIC when they perform their searches, but I am open to other suggestions for finding psychology-related peer-reviewed articles. I also give them extra credit for using PsycINFO elsewhere (e.g., CSUF). I am also attaching an assignment we'll be working in class later that day. Please don't go over it during the library session though since that's the plan for in-class.

Thanks!
Brian

Tue 8/29, 10:12 AM

Hi Brian,

Thank you for all of the helpful information here. The syllabus and assignment attachments really give me a good idea of the overall topics presented in the course. I will make sure not to go over the specific assignment during the library instruction session.

Once again, it was very nice to meet you and I look forward to providing instruction to your students in Psych. 202. I will contact you via email if I have any other questions prior to the instruction session.

Thanks,
Tim Ream

Thu 8/31, 5:46 PM

Hi Prof. Lopez,

Sorry to bother you again—I just want to make sure that I'm providing instruction that is appropriate to your student's familiarity with the Library.

From what I can tell from your syllabus, this course seems a little more advanced in terms of what is expected from students regarding research.

Is the expectation that the Psych 202 students are already comfortable using an academic Library to do basic tasks (check out a book, use our reserve materials, etc.)?

If so, I will only briefly go over the Library "basics" and will progress quickly to the concepts behind finding peer-reviewed materials in our databases.

Thanks,

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Thu 8/31, 5:54 PM

Hi Tim,

Thank you for your email. I would like to focus on using the databases to find peer-reviewed journal articles, as this will be the major source for their research projects. A brief overview of the basics should be fine.

Thank you for your work on this.

Brian

Fri 9/1, 3:54 PM

Hi Brian,

Sounds good. With the assignment that you attached, will your students be using the Library classroom to work on it after I've conducted the Library Instruction Session?

Sat 9/2, 6:23 AM

Hi Tim,

We won't be needing the library after your session. After a break, I'm having the students meet in our regular classroom, which has computers.

Thank you!
Brian