

Final report for Information Literacy Stipend

Course-Physics Freshman Seminar INTD 100 (Fall 2012)

Library faculty collaborator Kristen Yarmey

Summary The course was delivered in Fall '12. The collaboration with Prof. Yarmey was a roaring success. I hope it continues in Fall 13, when the course is offered for a second time.

Throughout the semester, Prof. Yarmey led the class and walked them through the processes of finding, discriminating, and citing sources. She met with the students individually and went over their projects. We spent time in class where the students discussed progress with their projects and asked questions about their sources.

In the end the projects were deeply flawed, because they had no idea that they can't just pull whole paragraphs from websites and present them without quotation marks, or worse, just lift slides. Prof. Yarmey went over each and every project and checked citations and found that many kids just didn't get it. I have attached the feedback the students received. Next time I'll be super explicit about plagiarism.

I have attached a copy of an evaluation of Prof. Yarmey which describes in more detail the role she played.

The students kept learning journals, and they uniformly commented on Prof. Yarmey and how helpful she was.

I hope that next semester is as successful as this one, and I was so delighted with the support from the library and how savvy the kids became about using the library.

Sincerely

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