

RESEARCH SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS LIBRARY AND INFORMATION USE SURVEY SPRING 2007

1. Please note your home department and primary work location at the University of Washington.

Home Department: _____

Primary work location: ___ Seattle campus ___ Other location (specify): _____

2. How important are the following sources of information for your work?

	Very Important				Not Important
UW Libraries (includes UW Libraries provided Web resources)	5	4	3	2	1
Web resources (not provided by or through UW Libraries)	5	4	3	2	1
Departmental resources	5	4	3	2	1
Personal books, journals, files, etc.	5	4	3	2	1
Colleagues, faculty, other researchers in your field	5	4	3	2	1
Other (please specify): _____	5	4	3	2	1

3. During this academic year (2006-07) have you:

	Yes	No
Worked on a research project that received federal funding?	1	0
Worked on a research project that used other external funding?	1	0
Used the UW Libraries services or collections (in-person or remotely)?	1	0

If you haven't used the UW Libraries this year please tell us why. You may complete the remainder of the survey or stop at this point and submit. Please scroll to the bottom to submit your answers. Thank you.

4. How frequently do you use the following methods to visit or access the UW Libraries?

	More Often	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Less Often/NA
Visit libraries in person	5	4	3	2	1
Use computer on campus (office/lab) to access libraries	5	4	3	2	1
Use computer off-campus to access libraries	5	4	3	2	1

5. What sources do you consult when you need information on a research topic?

	Usually				Not at all/NA
UW Libraries catalog	5	4	3	2	1
Summit (catalog for Northwest academic libraries)	5	4	3	2	1
Libraries provided article index such as Web of Science, PsycINFO	5	4	3	2	1
Other UW Libraries Web sites (subject/library pages)	5	4	3	2	1
Open internet search on Google, Google Scholar, Yahoo, etc.	5	4	3	2	1
Open internet reference source such as Wikipedia	5	4	3	2	1
Publisher or scholarly society Web site	5	4	3	2	1
Colleagues, experts in field, etc.	5	4	3	2	1
Librarians	5	4	3	2	1
Other (please specify): _____	5	4	3	2	1

6. How often do you visit any of the Libraries Web sites (includes HealthLinks)?

More Often	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Less Often/NA
5	4	3	2	1

How often do you do the following THROUGH a UW Libraries Web site?

	More Often	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Less Often/NA
Search the UW Libraries catalog	5	4	3	2	1
Search an article index (e.g. Web of Science, PsycINFO)	5	4	3	2	1
Look for online journal articles	5	4	3	2	1
Look for online books, reference works, news	5	4	3	2	1
Look for digitized collections or images	5	4	3	2	1
Consult with library staff (Q&A Live - chat, email)	5	4	3	2	1
Other (please specify) _____	5	4	3	2	1

7. Does the UW Libraries have the books you need for your work?

Usually					Rarely	Not Applicable
5	4	3	2	1	0	

If the book isn't available or not on the shelf in the UW Libraries, what do you do?

	Usually				Rarely/Never	
Place hold on the book so it is recalled	5	4	3	2	1	
Request through Interlibrary Loan or Summit	5	4	3	2	1	
Request the Libraries purchase it	5	4	3	2	1	
Purchase on my own	5	4	3	2	1	
Find another book to use	5	4	3	2	1	
Other (please specify) _____	5	4	3	2	1	

8. Please indicate the importance to your work of these resources:

	Very important				Not Important	
Books	5	4	3	2	1	
Journals 1985 and later	5	4	3	2	1	
Journals before 1985	5	4	3	2	1	
Numeric or scientific datasets such as census, GIS, genome	5	4	3	2	1	
Bibliographic databases/article indexes	5	4	3	2	1	
Visual media (e.g., maps, films, photographs)	5	4	3	2	1	

Comments on UW Libraries collections/resources:

9. Please indicate your satisfaction with the library services listed below.

	High				Low	Don't Use
Staff assistance (in library or remotely)	5	4	3	2	1	0
Photocopy in library	5	4	3	2	1	0
Interlibrary loan of books (including Summit)	5	4	3	2	1	0
Journal article delivery for items not on campus	5	4	3	2	1	0
Access to computers in libraries	5	4	3	2	1	0
UW Libraries Web sites (including HealthLinks)	5	4	3	2	1	0
Subject/Branch Librarian or liaison for your academic area	5	4	3	2	1	0

Comments on library services:

10. What contribution does the UW Libraries make to:

	Major	4	3	2	Minor	Not Applicable
Keeping current in your field	5	4	3	2	1	0
Finding information in related fields or new areas	5	4	3	2	1	0
Your being a more productive researcher	5	4	3	2	1	0
Making more efficient use of your time	5	4	3	2	1	0
Your decision to work at UW	5	4	3	2	1	0

Comments

11. Although the Libraries will continue to emphasize the acquisition of print and online resources needed to support your work, we are interested in knowing what other services you would find useful. Please mark up to 3 from the list below.

<input type="checkbox"/> Scan print journal articles held in UW Libraries for delivery online to you upon request (free of charge)	<input type="checkbox"/> Provide support in managing your information and data (e.g., organizing citations/references, data sets)
<input type="checkbox"/> Deliver books and other library items to your campus address (free of charge)	<input type="checkbox"/> Help you manage, archive, and preserve your research materials
<input type="checkbox"/> Provide self-checkout of books	<input type="checkbox"/> Advise and provide support in submitting papers and other publications to open access journals and archives
<input type="checkbox"/> Digitize and make available online UW Libraries collections such as theses, manuscripts, and images	<input type="checkbox"/> Provide assistance with author and copyright issues and questions
<input type="checkbox"/> Make it easier to use library services with mobile devices such as smart phones and PDA's	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____

12. How satisfied are you with the University Libraries?

	Very Satisfied				Not Satisfied
	5	4	3	2	1
Library services	5	4	3	2	1
Library collections and information resources	5	4	3	2	1
Overall Libraries satisfaction level	5	4	3	2	1

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ON LIBRARIES: