Egan Library
Student Course Rating Comments Spring 2014

adequacy of library resources for completing assignments in this course...

Library Resources = 2,286 responses, 83 responded strongly disagree, 66 answered disagree, 177 answered neutral, 239 answered agree, 442 answered strongly agree, 1277 answered n/a

usefulness of library services

Library services = 2,256 responses, 82 responded strongly disagree, 63 answered disagree, 177 answered neutral, 211 answered agree, 360 answered strongly agree, 1363 answered n/a
**Library as place / Facility**

Our group needed a group room in the library to work on a group project, it was helpful for us. COMM111

I would prefer that the library and computer lab be separate. I would also like to request more printers as there is always a line to the 1 available in the library. HIST106

The laptops that the library loans should be tested so that each one is able to run vital programs such as Matlab, Maple, and Geometer’s Sketch Pad. Also, each laptop should be connected to the library printers so that the student does not need to reconnect every time they need to print something. MATH460

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I tend to study elsewhere, which is more of a reflection of my poor study habits than any negative reflection upon the library. I do love the study rooms, however. PHYS104

**Collections**

AKL206 –
Working with SHI to get Lingít language recordings available for students would really add to the resources for Lingít language students.

ANTH202 –
The library’s collection of articles is not as seemingly comprehensive with anthropological journals and articles as it is with the natural sciences. I would like to see more there.

CHEM342 -
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BIOL482 –
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BIOL482 –
UAS doesn’t have online access to Science, which is a premier scientific journal that publishes important articles. UAS should make stocking the library with the best possible book selection a top priority.

BIOL481 –
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BIOL481 –
I would like to have access to more articles. It would also be nice if UAS library article search was easier to use. I typically use Google Scholar because it is so difficult to get the actual article electronically.

BIOL482 –
I was able to get a wide variety of articles. Keep that up.

BIOL380 –
The topic that I researched was already difficult to find articles for, but often times the articles that would have been helpful were in a database or website I couldn’t access. That was very frustrating and made searching for journal articles really difficult.

BIOL305 –
The library selection for specific species is pretty slim, especially when narrowing down to only peer reviewed articles. When I find what I am looking for it is usually on googlescholar and I rarely have access to it. I would like to see our article database expand. Our librarians happen to be very helpful and welcoming.

ECON321 –
UAS library could use more current ECon texts & books. & not the pop-sci version.

EDSE609 –
Was looking for resources in the children’s book section - books about children facing difficult times (divorce, non traditional families, disabilities) and the selection was quite outdated.

ENVS493 –
Journal of Glaciology is not part of UAS library system and was sometimes not available through UAF either depending on issue - made it difficult to complete research for the term paper

ENVS493 –
Actually getting papers off the library website is a pain, even when you’re in the network. Although I ended up getting all the ones I wanted it took an inordinate amount of time to navigate around all the various pages and distractions to get me to the search engine that had what I wanted, and UAS had access for, which scientifically many UAS did not have access for which I can understand must be expensive.

HIST375 –
I must have checked out over 20books researching a topic for my final paper, and the article collections boy did they save my life when it came to finding obscure facts!!

SPAN202 –
Small section of Spanish language materials was useful. Staff assisted in locating resources.
### Courses where student(s) indicated they didn’t need or didn’t use the library

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### Comments related to services and instruction

**Library Online**

EBSCO and other database specific

BA343 - Library resources were not assigned to us although I did use the Academic Search Premier for a few articles to read.

ECE161 - I went on EDSCOHost a couple of times for articles related to research I was doing.

ENG111 – CR Research was VERY helpful

ENGL111 - The one search is a great tool.

ENGL111 - The librarians are great. Onesearch is great too.

HIST492 - I had problems printing off research from JSTOR.

LS111 - What I had the most trouble with was transferring a citation to refworks, I eventually got it, but there was a bit of confusion on my part it didn’t work the first 10 times I tried it.

PADM628 - databases are incredible. I use them all the time.
PADM671 - I love the Egan Library’s online resources. It makes it easier to manage my time when I can have a journal article emailed to myself without leaving home!

PSY101 Used database Psych Info for final paper and other projects.

PSY101 Psycinfo saved my ass

PSY101 PsycINFO is great!

PSY406 I could not have survived writing the papers without PSYCHINFO!!

SOC101 Library resources (Ebscohost) were only used for the journal article analysis paper. I found these resources helpful, however we did not use them throughout the entire course.

SOC343 – the only problem I had was getting to materials that were located under "link source". I needed immediate access to the articles and was not able to wait for interlibrary loan. My only other option was purchasing the articles for $20-$30 a piece, not possible. I was only able to use articles that had a direct PDF copy attached.

SOC343 – I needed JSTOR weekly for my assignments. It's a very helpful tool.

With great online resources, there was no reason to go to the physical library. SOC343 Ketchikan

**Online Website and Other**

I had a hard time accessing the online library resources. I would typically buy the reading material online via Amazon or similar e-reader. I found the online library hard to navigate. HUM 120

**Interlibrary Loan**

BIOL482 I acquired a few journal papers through interlibrary loan and they were delivered promptly!

EDSE692 did not get all requested materials

**ANS393** - Was able to order textbook through ILL rather than paying over $100 for a textbook for this course. Very helpful, especially since I was a late edition to the class.

ANTH321 – Very beneficial, ILL is great and allowing me to get articles I couldn’t find.

EDSE692 did not get all requested materials

ENGL365 Yes I was able to get some ILL through the help of the UAA/UAF/UAS library system which was very helpful. If I had not had slow 2G grade internet I probably would have looked into downloading some books/literature if I was able to do so.
The library staff was amazing! They were able to get me several interlibrary loans that truly enriched my reading & my final report! HIST492 Kethikan

Reference

NO COMMENTS

General positive comments

I do like the UAS library and have used it for many classes, although I did not need to use it for this course. Prof. Martin provided all the tools we would need for learning. BIOL111

I love the library! ANTH 202

I did not use the library for this particular course, but in general the library staff are the best! ACCT202
The Library staff does an excellent job assisting the needs of students. ACCT222

Great service! AKL 206
Excellent at all times. AKL206
Our midterm and finals were research papers so the library services were of great use. ANS 393
A great help!! ANS 393

The library is awesome and all the resources they provide have helped me succeed as a student. BIOL 103

Instruction

We had a discussion on how to do proper article research, and I felt it was not necessary because we are now in our third year of academia (or more). At this point, students in a scientific major should be able to perform their own research searches without having to depend on a lecture from a librarian. This sort of lecture is beneficial to younger students who may not have been exposed to databases and whatnot, but this is an upper level course. BIOL380

Instruction session was not necessary for this class being that it is an upper level course in science. BIOL482

the instruction sessions for this course was very poor. CHEM104

Bethany did a good job when she visited the class and showed students how to access library resources. COMM111

The librarian joined our web session once and it was very usfull having her explain the JSTOR site. GOVT101 Ketchikan

The librarian and Instructor both gave us a lot of help in navigating through the Egan Library, I found the links on the side, and the class website very helpful when I was conducting research and/or looking for information for weekly assignments. GOVT 101 Ketchikan

I learned quite a bit in the LS111 course SOC101 Ketchikan
It would be great to have advisory to learn how to use the UAS online library SOC101 Ketchikan

It was a huge benefit having an embedded librarian in this course. ENGL111 Ketchikan
The embedded librarian was very helpful and was an excellent additional resource ENGL111 Ketchikan
**General Constructive / negative comments**

My low library scores are based on how the library was, compared to how it is now. The library experience was much better in the past before attempting to combine it with a computer lab. The experience is now more like the community library at the Superbear Mall than the serious University library it used to be. GOVT 493

I've been too disappointed in the past with the library to count on it for these last two classes. I hope they improve for future students. EDRE 696

**Learning, Testing and Writing Center Comments**

I did use the tutoring service a couple of times and found that helpful ACCT 202

Having made this evaluation on the library services I have to say that I didn't review what was available at the Student Success Center in Sitka for additional books on managerial accounting. If I were not in Sitka or Juneau it would be most useful to have online materials as alternate sources for subject matter presentation. ACCT 202

the people in the writing lab would have me do one thing to my essay and Dr. Hill would mark me down because she wanted something else or said the structure or phrasing was wrong. ANTH202

The Writing center DESL 250

The Writing Center was helpful for papers. ENGL 211

The Learning Center was useful, without it the course or any course would be next to impossible to pass, and learn the course. MATH054

Used tutors in learning center a couple of times, very helpful. MATH055

Thank goodness for the learning center!!!! The people there were mostly helpful but I have to admit I had a few favs in which I preferred assistance from because of their teaching style. Only complaint is that on a few occasions it was way too loud but only because a few people did not use their inside voice. Sure they were there to study but there was no need to speak loudly when sitting next to each other. MATH055

The learning center is great! The tutors are very helpful and the environment is conducive to learning. MATH105

The learning center is always helpful with math when needed. MATH105

Learning center helped out a bunch. MATH105

I am referring to the Learning Center with my "Strongly Agree" answer. I used the TLC frequently throughout the course and it was very helpful. MATH105 Ketchikan

Made extensive use of the tudor center in the Egan Library. THANK YOU! MATH105 Ketchikan

The Learning Center was VERY helpful!! MATH107
Never used the Learning Center MATH107

The only part of the library needed for math was the Learning Center, which was very helpful! MATH107

Learning center was super helpful. MATH 107

I went to the learning center frequently. MATH107

The learning center is amazing! The tutors are great although not all the tutors were sufficient in trigonometry. MATH108

The Learning Center was helpful, even though they aren't quite associated with the library. It is a math class though so the library doesn't have much to offer otherwise. MATH201

I feel like every time I reach out for assistance with the writing center and such, they are not open or not available to help me. SOC101

The Writing Center WELD120

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**KETCHIKAN**

The librarians are a lifeline at UAS Ketchikan ED380