

Lesson 2: The Value that Libraries Provide

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| Rappel de l'intitulé du cours: Library Research Numéro de la séquence : 01 Lesson 2: The Value that Libraries Provide |
| Compétences visés par la séquence : Objectifs à atteindre à la fin de la séquence Upon completion of this sequence, you will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Differentiate between library search and Internet search.• Understand the value of libraries. |
| Evaluation spécifique à la séquence <i>Formative Assessment: True/ False Statements</i> |

This lesson tries to answer the question of why do universities need to have libraries.

The following are a number of the findings of a systematic study conducted in the UK to report the services that academic libraries provide to researchers and university students:

Remember

An academic library is a library that provides academic materials.

1. Good libraries help institutions to recruit and retain top researchers.
2. Libraries help researchers win research grants and contracts.
3. Libraries promote and exploit new technologies and new models of scholarly communications.
4. Repositories increase the visibility of the institution and raise its research profile.
5. Outward-facing libraries contribute to institution-wide initiatives
Specialist staff.
6. Specialist staff work in partnership with academic departments
7. Connecting with researchers enhances the value of the library's services.

8. Dedicated spaces provide a better work environment for researchers.
9. Easy access to high-quality content is a key foundation for good research.
10. Libraries are a physical manifestation of the values of the academy and of scholarship.

Homework

Read the following report to understand more about the values that libraries provide: Research Information Network, Research Libraries UK. (2011). The value of libraries for research and researchers. www.rin.ac.uk/value-of-libraries