

# MERRITT COLLEGE COURSE OUTLINE

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<b>COLLEGE:</b>	MERRITT COLLEGE	<b>STATE APPROVAL DATE:</b>	03/09/2019
<b>ORIGINATOR:</b>	Nghiem Thai	<b>STATE CONTROL NUMBER:</b>	CCC00060 3150
		<b>BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVAL DATE:</b>	01/08/2019
		<b>CURRICULUM COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE:</b>	11/15/2018
		<b>CURRENT EFFECTIVE DATE:</b>	08/01/2019

**DIVISION/DEPARTMENT:** Merritt - Division I / M - Library

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**1. REQUESTED CREDIT CLASSIFICATION:**

N - Non Credit  
B - Basic Skills  
1 - Program Applicable

**2. DEPT/COURSE NO:**

LIS 512

**3. COURSE TITLE:**

Research Skills II

**4. COURSE:** MC New Course

**TOP NO.** 493014 - Study Skills

**5. UNITS:** 0.000

**HRS/WK LEC:** 0.12 **Total:** 2.01

**HRS/WK LAB:**

**6. NO. OF TIMES OFFERED AS SELETED TOPIC: AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:**

**7. JUSTIFICATION FOR COURSE:**

LIS 512 is designed to support first-time and/or under-prepared students in developing the basic skills of information literacy and a general understanding of academic research necessary to succeed in credit coursework. The course curriculum contributes to the achievement of Merritt College's institutional learning outcome in Information and Computer Literacy. This course is a required part of a noncredit educational program, which 1) involves a set of competencies that prepare the student to progress in a career path or to undertake degree-applicable or nondegree-applicable credit courses and 2) results in a noncredit Certificate of Competency in Research skills. [5 CCR § 55151]

**8. COURSE/CATALOG DESCRIPTION**

Continuation of LIS 511: Identifying search terms, locating information sources, and evaluating information sources.

**9. OTHER CATALOG INFORMATION**

a. Modular: No If yes, how many modules:

b. Open entry/open exit: No

c. Grading Policy: Both P/NP or Satisfactory progress

d. Eligible for credit by Exam: No

e. Repeatable according to state guidelines: No

f. Required for degree/certificate (specify):

Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills, Research Skills

g. Meets GE/Transfer requirements (specify):

h. C-ID Number: Expiration Date:

i. Are there prerequisites/corequisites/recommended preparation for this course? Yes

**10. LIST STUDENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES (EXIT SKILLS):** (Objectives must define the exit skills required of students and include criteria identified in Items 12, 14, and 15 - critical thinking, essay writing,

problem solving, written/verbal communications, computational skills, working with others, workplace needs, SCANS competencies, all aspects of the industry, etc.)(See SCANS/All Aspects of Industry Worksheet.)

Students will be able to:

1. Retrieve relevant information from research databases.
2. Apply the CRAAP method to evaluate the credibility of information sources.

**11A. COURSE CONTENT:** List major topics to be covered. This section must be more than listing chapter headings from a textbook. Outline the course content, including essential topics, major subdivisions, and supporting details. It should include enough information so that a faculty member from any institution will have a clear understanding of the material taught in the course and the approximate length of time devoted to each. There should be congruence among the catalog description, lecture and/or lab content, student performance objectives, and the student learning outcomes. List percent of time spent on each topic; ensure percentages total 100%.

**LECTURE CONTENT:**

1. Selecting and using key search terms - 25%
2. Selecting and using research databases - 25%
3. Finding credible sources on the web - 25%
4. Evaluating information sources for currency, relevance, authority, accuracy, and purpose (CRAAP) - 25%

**11B. LAB CONTENT:**

N/A

**12. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION** (List methods used to present course content.)

1. Lecture
2. Distance Education
3. Activity
4. Discussion
5. Field Trips
6. Multimedia Content
7. Observation and Demonstration

**13. ASSIGNMENTS:** 0.23 hours/week (List all assignments, including library assignments. Requires two (2) hours of independent work outside of class for each unit/weekly lecture hour. Outside assignments are not required for lab-only courses, although they can be given.)

Out-of-class Assignments:

Information competency self-assessment, quiz preparation, and brief essay

ASSIGNMENTS ARE: (See definition of college level):

NOT primarily college level

**14. STUDENT ASSESSMENT:** (Grades are based on):

ESSAY (Includes "blue book" exams and any written assignment of sufficient length and complexity to require students to select and organize ideas, to explain and support the ideas, and to demonstrate critical thinking skills.)

MULTIPLE CHOICE

SKILL DEMONSTRATION

**15. TEXTS, READINGS, AND MATERIALS**

A. Textbooks:

\*Date is required: Transfer institutions require current publication date(s) within 5 years of outline addition/update.

B. Additional Resources:

Library/LRC Materials and Services:

The instructor, in consultation with a librarian, has reviewed the materials and services of the College Library/LRC in the subject areas related to the proposed new course

Are print materials adequate? No

Are nonprint materials adequate? No

Are electronic/online resources available? No

Are services adequate? No

Specific materials and/or services needed have been identified and discussed. Librarian comments:

C. Readings listed in A and B above are: (See definition of college level):

NOT primarily college level

16. **DESIGNATE OCCUPATIONAL CODE:**

E - Non-Occupational

17. **LEVEL BELOW TRANSFER:**

Y - Not applicable

18. **CALIFORNIA CLASSIFICATION CODE:**

L - Non-Enhanced Funding

19. **NON CREDIT COURSE CATEGORY:**

C - Elementary and Secondary Basic Skills

20. **FUNDING AGENCY CATEGORY:**

Y - Not Applicable (funding not used to develop course)

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**SUPPLEMENTAL PAGE**

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1a. Prerequisites/Corequisites/Recommended Preparation:

- **PREREQUISITE:**

LIS 511 Research Skills I

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**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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1. **Outcome:** Choose effective resources and tools to locate information sources.

**Assessment:** Quizzes

2. **Outcome:** Utilize appropriate search terms and techniques.

**Assessment:** Skills demonstration

3. **Outcome:** Evaluate information sources for credibility.

**Assessment:** Short essay