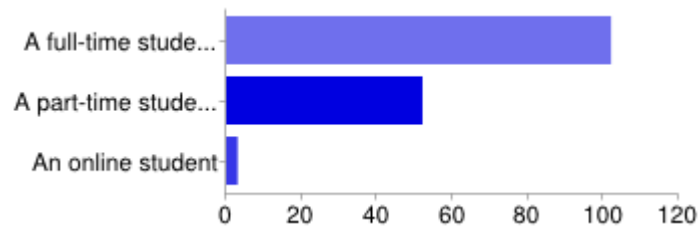


Merritt College Library 2011-2012 SLO Questionnaire Results

Student Information

Please tell us a little about yourself.

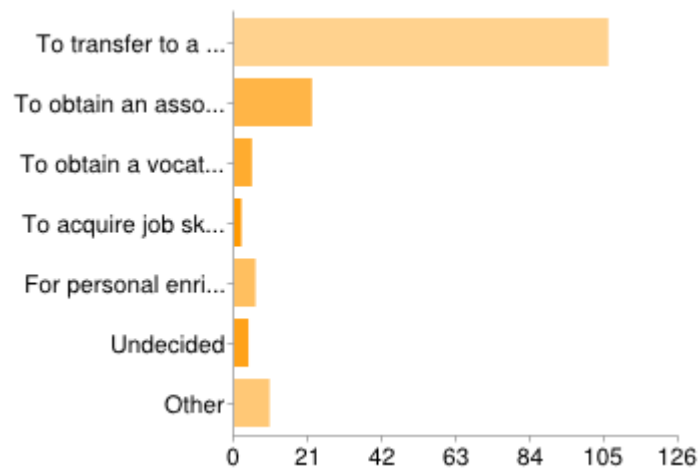
Are you . . . ?



A full-time student (≥ 12 units)	102	66%
A part-time student (< 12 units)	52	34%
An online student	3	2%

People may select more than one checkbox, so percentages may add up to more than 100%.

Why are you taking classes at Merritt College?



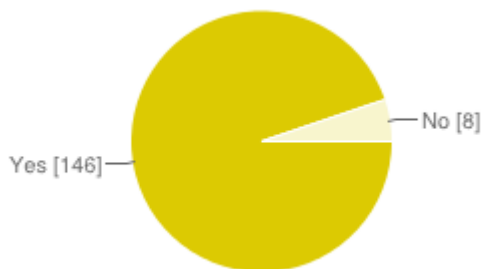
To transfer to a four-year college	106	68%
To obtain an associate degree	22	14%
To obtain a vocational certificate	5	3%
To acquire job skills	2	1%
For personal enrichment	6	4%
Undecided	4	3%
Other	10	6%

What is your major or program?

Administration of Justice	0	0%
African-American Studies	0	0%
Anthropology	0	0%
Art	0	0%
Asian & Asian-American Studies	0	0%
Astronomy	0	0%
Biology	0	0%
Bioscience	0	0%
Business	0	0%
Chemistry	0	0%
Child Development	0	0%
Communication	0	0%
Community Social Services	0	0%
Computer Information Systems	0	0%
Counseling	0	0%
Economics	0	0%

Educational Technology	0	0%
Emergency Medical Technician	0	0%
English	0	0%
Environmental Management & Technology	0	0%
Geology	0	0%
Health Education	0	0%
Health Professions & Occupations	0	0%
Health Sciences	0	0%
History	0	0%
Humanities	0	0%
Human Services	0	0%
Landscape Horticulture	0	0%
Liberal Arts	0	0%
Mathematics	0	0%
Medical Assisting	0	0%
Mexican & Latin American Studies	0	0%
Music	0	0%
Natural Sciences	0	0%
Nursing	0	0%
Nutrition & Dietetics	0	0%
Paralegal Studies	0	0%
Philosophy	0	0%
Physical Education	0	0%
Physics	0	0%
Political Science	0	0%
Psychology	0	0%
Radiologic Science	0	0%
Real Estate	0	0%
Social & Behavioral Sciences	0	0%
Sociology	0	0%
Spanish	0	0%
Vocational Nursing	0	0%
Undecided	0	0%
Other	155	100%

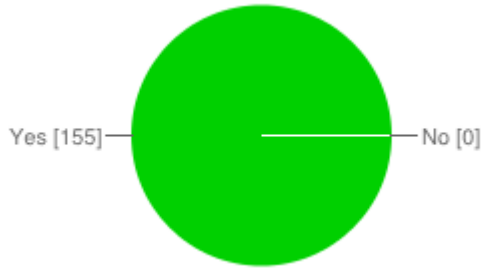
Do you have access to Internet at home?



Yes	146	94%
No	8	5%

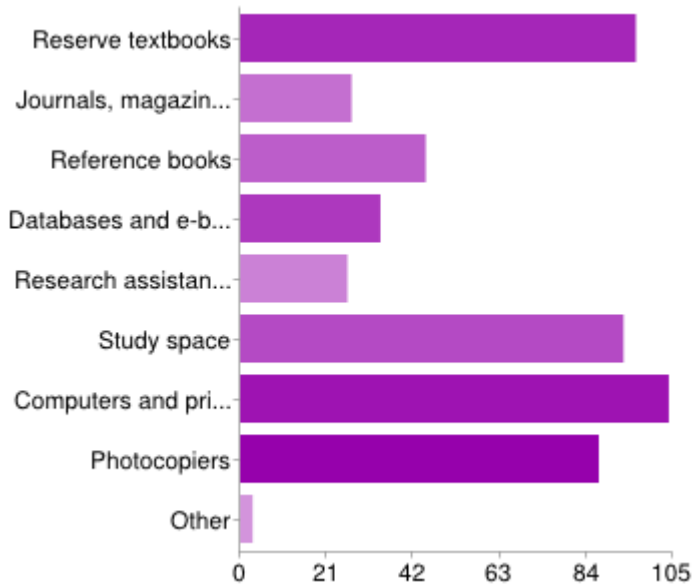
Library Use

Do you use Merritt College Library?



Yes	155	100%
No	0	0%

What library resources or services do you use?



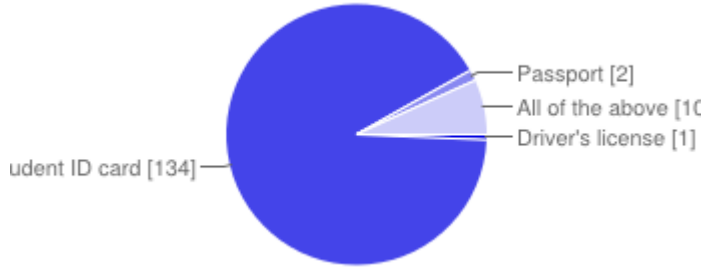
Reserve textbooks	96	65%
Journals, magazines, and newspapers	27	18%
Reference books	45	31%
Databases and e-books	34	23%
Research assistance at the Reference Desk	26	18%
Study space	93	63%
Computers and printer	104	71%
Photocopiers	87	59%
Other	3	2%

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Library Skills

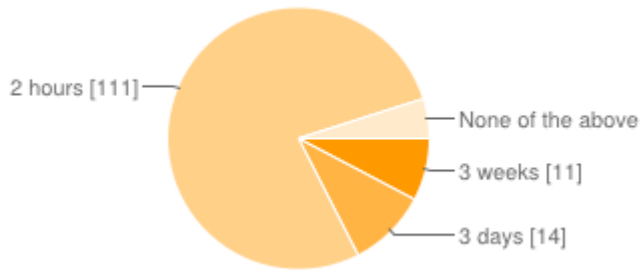
Please select the best answer for each of the following questions. (Correct answers highlighted)

What do you need to check out a reserve textbook?



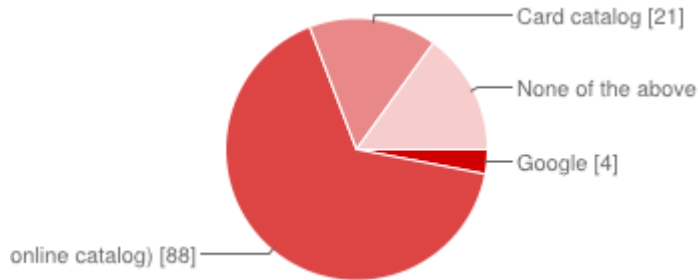
Driver's license	1	1%
Peralta student ID card	134	86%
Passport	2	1%
All of the above	10	6%

For how long can you borrow a reserve textbook?



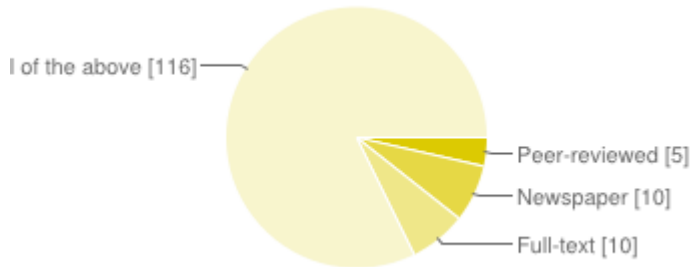
3 weeks	11	7%
3 days	14	9%
2 hours	111	72%
None of the above	7	5%

What tool can you use to find out if the library has a particular book?



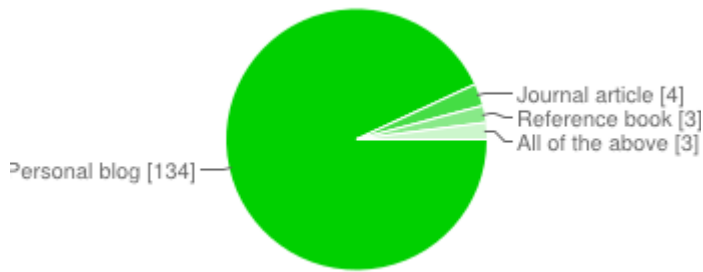
Google	4	3%
WebPAC Pro (online catalog)	88	57%
Card catalog	21	14%
None of the above	20	13%

What types of articles are available in the library research databases?



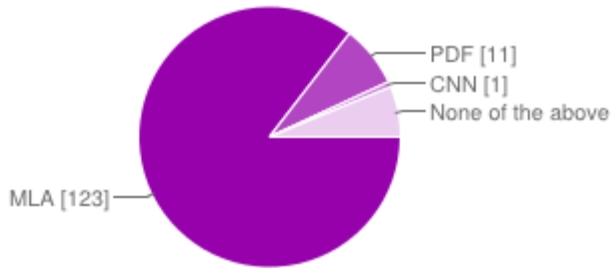
Peer-reviewed	5	3%
Newspaper	10	6%
Full-text	10	6%
All of the above	116	75%

Which of the following is typically NOT an appropriate source for a research paper?



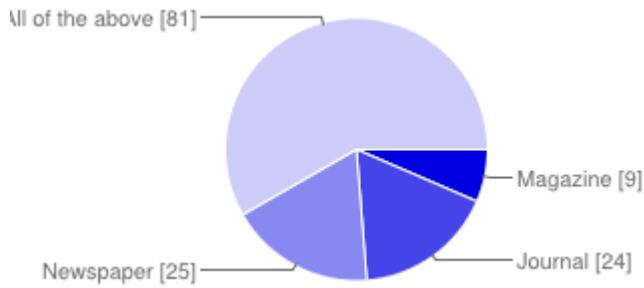
Personal blog	134	86%
Journal article	4	3%
Reference book	3	2%
All of the above	3	2%

Which of the following is a common citation format for research papers?



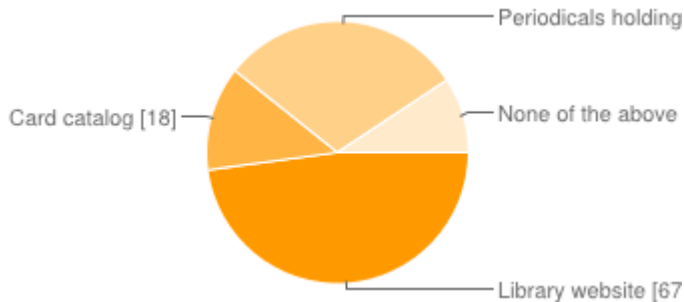
MLA	123	79%
PDF	11	7%
CNN	1	1%
None of the above	9	6%

What is a periodical?



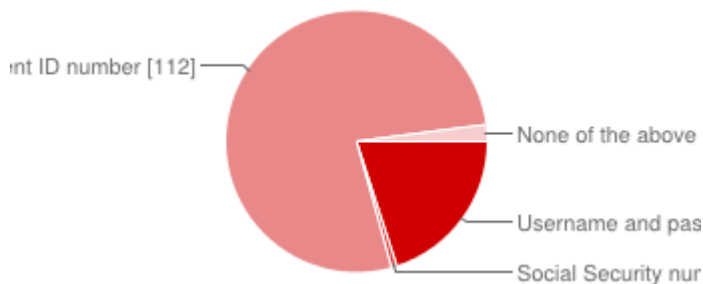
Magazine	9	6%
Journal	24	15%
Newspaper	25	16%
All of the above	81	52%

What tool can you use to find out if the library has a particular magazine?



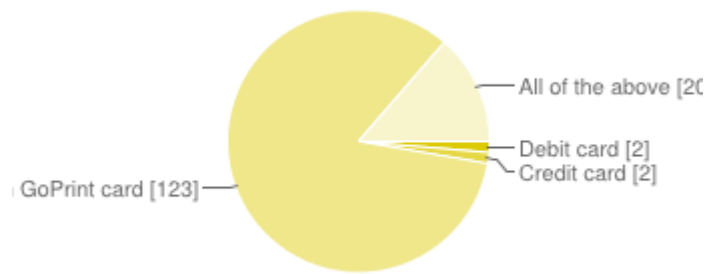
Library website	67	43%
Card catalog	18	12%
Periodicals holdings list	42	27%
None of the above	13	8%

What do you need to log into a library computer?



Username and password	29	19%
Social Security number	1	1%
Peralta student ID number	112	72%
None of the above	3	2%

How can you pay for computer printouts?



Debit card	2	1%
Credit card	2	1%
Cash on GoPrint card	123	79%
All of the above	20	13%

Comments

The Library is Awesome!

Thank you for always having paper in the printer and computers that work! Need more computers, sometimes have to wait to use one.

The library is where I go to study. It can sometimes get too noisy but I'm assuming it's because of space. Other than that, good environment :)

its a good school and a great place

Why is computer printing in the library 10c a copy but only 5c a copy in the study lab?

Its cool

BCC has rooms inside their library to give "study groups" space. Merritt should look into it also.

Excellent service at the Library. I use the library almost every day and the librarians are fantastic. Good job!

The Library is one my favorite places to study when I'm in school.

Finish the main building--we need more space.

I have not checked out materials here yet.

Great transition library --> great staff

Some of the students like me do not know how to use debit card, credit card, or cash on GoPrint card. I couldn't use cash GoPrint card to print my work. I will suggest that instruction about how to use cash GoPrint card should be posted at printing area. Thanks.

I have no comments. I do not use the library.

I haven't needed to use the library resources at peralta, but I believe that electronic resources, those students can access at home, anytime, are very helpful and important and reflect the realities of our time.

I do not use the library but will in the future.

I have not used the library yet.

Since I came from Laney, I do not use this library much but I found it helpful when I need anything.

I'm very appreciative of the library's resources and the fact that I can ask an actual person if they have a book in stock and help with finding things.

Honestly I don't know how long you can check out a reserved book because I have never done that.

The library is very helpful, especially during finals.

I was surprised to see Merritt library is so small compared to other campuses.

The library is a helpful tool

I love the library resources, and the people who work there. They are nice and helpful!

I've never used any of the library's services mostly because I did not know about them.