Supporting Research through Information Literacy Programmes: SMU Libraries’ Learning Journeys

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“Nowadays the boys wear really short shorts (and none of them seem to have any leg hair), everyone seems to be using a MacBook and nobody seems to speak proper 3ng1i5h.”
**SMU Overview**

*As of 1 Jan 2015*

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<th>Category</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Faculty</strong></td>
<td>• 349 Full Time Faculty</td>
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| **Undergraduate Programme** | • 7 Undergraduate Programmes  
                          | • 21 Undergraduate Majors  
                          | • 7,525 Undergraduates    |
| **Master’s Programme** | • 21 Masters’ Programmes  
                          | • 1,080 Master’s Students                                             |
| **Doctoral Programme** | • 5 Doctoral Programmes (1 self-funded)  
                          | • 180 Doctoral Students (35 self-funded)                              |
Postgraduate Programmes

2010
615 students

2015
1,260 students
Current Framework

- Matriculation: Library Orientation
  - Mass Library Training (Compulsory) Library Initiated
- In-Class Sessions
  - Course Related Research Librarian and Faculty Collaboration
- Thematic Sessions
  - Subject or Topic Related Research Librarian Initiated
- Research Consultations
  - Individual/Small Group Facilitation
    - Student Initiated with Research Librarian
### Table 1. Information Literacy Programmes for Postgraduate Students (2010-2014)

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Library Orientation</th>
<th>In-Classes</th>
<th>Thematic sessions (workshops, seminars, talks)</th>
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<td>Hours</td>
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Challenges

Diverse Programmes

Growing Population

Changing Technology

Complex Needs
Flexibility Needed
Proposed Delivery Mode: Orientation
Proposed Delivery Mode: Classes
Proposed Delivery Mode: Seminars, talks and workshops
Proposed Delivery Mode:
Research Consultations
Proposed Delivery Mode: Online
Proposed IL Framework for Postgraduates

- Research Trends
- Lib Services
- Facilities
- Search Retrieval
- Citation Plagiarism
- Evaluating Info
- Biblio Management
- Copyright
- Repository
- Databases
- Productivity Tools
- Research Data
- Publishing
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Work Ahead...