Wayne County Community College District

COURSE SYLLABUS

LBT 200 EVALUATING INFORMATION SOURCES

CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course is designed to introduce students to the world of reference and information service. Core abilities will include the evaluation of print and electronic information sources, basic research methodology, search strategies, and standard bibliographic formats for determining the authority, currency and overall quality of resources.

PREREQUISITE:
n/a

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:
- Explain the structure of print and non-print reference sources.
- Understand the breadth of reference services offered in libraries.
- Perform searches through the translation of search questions into queries that will utilize print and non-print resources.
- Understand how and when to use the internet as a reference tool.
- Identify the major reference sources used to answer reference questions.

ASSESSMENT METHODS:
Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:
90%-100% = A
80%-89.9%= B
70%-79.9%= C
60%-69.9%= D
<60% = E