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The Library provides instruction sessions to enhance students’ research skills. Library instruction sessions are tailored to the needs of class to assist students and may range from an overview of basic library resources to the use of advance or subject research materials and techniques. Beginning fall 2005, the library will offer an online Information Literacy course taught by the Library Faculty.

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