Longitudinal observations of expected and actual library resource usage and barriers experienced by public health students

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APPENDIX A

Baseline survey

1. Where did you first hear about registering with the library?
   a. School of Public Health (SPH) orientation
   b. Library lecture during class
   c. Recommendation from peers
   d. Visiting the library
   e. SPH coordinators
   f. Resource Fair
   g. Peers
   h. Other. Please specify: __________________________________________

2. What eventually led you to register with the library?
   a. Wanted to get it taken care of, just in case
   b. Needed articles for classes
   c. Needed books/reserves for classes
   d. Wanted off-campus access
   e. Needed to find articles for professional research
   f. Opportunity to participate in this research
   g. Had the registration form right in front of me at a fair, lecture, etc.
   h. Other. Please specify: __________________________________________

3. What library resources do you think you will use this semester? Select all that apply.
   a. The quiet space
   b. Articles/journals/databases
   c. Electronic books
   d. Print books/reserves
   e. Printers/computers
   f. Unsure what resources are available
   g. None
   h. Other. Please specify: __________________________________________
4. Of the library resources you indicated in question 3, how often do you think you will use them?

| Resource                  | Daily | Several times a week | Weekly | Several times a month | Once a month | Several times a semester | Once a semester | Never/not applicable |
|---------------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Quiet space               |       |                       |        |                        |              |                          |                 |                      |
| Articles/journals/databases |     |                       |        |                        |              |                          |                 |                      |
| Electronic books          |       |                       |        |                        |              |                          |                 |                      |
| Print books/reserves      |       |                       |        |                        |              |                          |                 |                      |
| Printers/computers        |       |                       |        |                        |              |                          |                 |                      |
| Other                     |       |                       |        |                        |              |                          |                 |                      |

5. What difficulties do you anticipate to using the library resources? Select all that apply.
   a. Finding time
   b. Not knowing how to use them
   c. Navigating the library’s website
   d. I don’t anticipate facing any problems
   e. I anticipate problems but do not know specifically what
   f. Other. Please specify: ____________________________

6. How long have you been at Louisiana State University Health–New Orleans (LSUHSC–NO)?
   a. ≤ 6 months
   b. 6 months but ≤ 1 year
   c. 1 year but ≤ 2 years
   d. 2 year but ≤ 3 years
   e. 3 years

7. What department in the SPH are you associated with?
   a. Behavioral and Community Health Sciences
   b. Biostatistics
   c. Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences
   d. Epidemiology
   e. Health Policy and Systems Management
   f. Not applicable. Not in a listed department

8. In what year were you born? ____________________________

9. What are the last 4 digits of your library barcode: ____________________________

10. Please include any comments that you feel would be beneficial for this study.