Take the SAILS survey!!

Information Literacy and SAILS

The College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) and the University Library System are conducting research to assess information literacy skills of graduating students. Information literacy is the ability to recognize when information is needed and to locate, evaluate, and use it effectively. Results from this test will help determine the information seeking skills of Pitt students with the goal of improving course curricula and library instruction.

The Standardized Assessment of Information Literacy Skills (SAILS) is an easy online assessment that is being administered by CAS to seniors from March 1 to April 17.

Please participate!

How to take SAILS

• Your browser must be configured to accept cookies.
• Log into the university portal at http://my.pitt.edu.
• Click on the SAILS Survey -- Seniors button at the top of the screen.
• After a short welcome message, click Continue to begin the SAILS test.
• You will be asked to read the directions and accept or reject participation.
• The test should take approximately 35 minutes to complete, and you must answer every question to complete it.
• If you do not have enough time to complete the test, you can log in at a later time to finish it.
• On completion of the test, you will be presented a “Thank You” page. Once you have finished the test and submitted it, you cannot take it again.
• All responses are anonymous and there is no grade.
• Results will be available for review in May 2009.

For more information regarding the SAILS test please consult the ULS Information Literacy site at http://www.library.pitt.edu/services/classes/infoliteracy/ or contact:

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