Butte College Library Unit Plan: 2011-2012
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Mission Statement

The Butte College Library is committed to providing quality information resources and services that meet the curriculum needs of our students. The Library also assists in fulfilling the diverse information needs of our entire college community and teaches information literacy skills used in lifelong learning.

Program Description

Information Resources The library has developed an electronic collection of over 24,700 eBooks, and 64 databases of full-text articles published from over 22,000 journals, magazines and newspapers. All the electronic resources are available on the Library home page for students to access 24/7 from anywhere through the Internet. A print collection of 62,000 books and 162 periodicals are available for students to consult or check out.

Library Services The library on the main campus opens 44 hours a week providing a full range of information services which include Circulation and Course reserve, Reference and Instruction, Interlibrary Loan, and Acquisition and Cataloging. In addition, students get real-time one-on-one reference assistance from professional librarians 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through the library web page. The Library provides bibliographic instruction to classes at the Glenn Center upon instructors’ requests.

Chico Center Library The Chico Center Library consists of library services and media services and opens 64 hours a week. The Library provides students with course reserve, test proctoring for onsite and online classes, 24 hours a week reference services, drop-in workshops, and bibliographic instruction sessions to individual classes.

Information Literacy Program The Library offers online tutorials, bibliographic instruction sessions to individual classes, drop-in workshops and orientations to students and Flex workshops to faculty and staff. The library also provides a one unit information literacy course LIS 11 which is transferable to Chico State and a half-a-unit course LIS 126 which teaches research skills.

Future Development Strategies

The Library serves as an Information Commons supporting and enhancing student learning and research by providing state of the art technology and information resources and services.

Developing Online Electronic Resources We will continue to develop electronic resources of databases and eBooks accessible 24/7 via the Internet to serve all students equally, whether they are on campus or at the college’s extension sites.

Building Information Literacy Programs We will continue to build our information fluency program and expand the modes of delivery of our information literacy instruction by strengthening our online tutorials and expanding library credit courses and making them available online.

Developing Online Service We will continue to develop library online services to the faculty and students in the area of reference services, circulation, interlibrary loans.
Expanding Library Services and MSDL at the Chico Center We will work with the Facilities and the Administration to expand the space, resources and reference service hours to meet the increase needs of the students at the Chico Center.

Developing Butte College Archive We’ll work with the college foundation to build archives for the District to host Butte College records of permanent historical value and published and unpublished materials that document the history of Butte College.

How the Future Development Strategy Supports the District’s Strategic Plan

Focusing on Student Success The Library will continue to create a supportive and innovative student centered learning environment in the library to improve retention and student success and to help distance learning and off-campus sites students to learn and succeed by extending online services and resources and bibliographic instruction to the off-campus sites.

Valuing a Culture of Learning The Library will continue to work on implementing information fluency as basic skills to empower students as life-long learners and to explore information fluency training at various levels and programs, such as advanced research methods to Honors and AP classes, special training to the nursing program, and instruction tailored to the needs of migrant workers’ children.

Required Resources

On-Going Requirements

- Subscriptions of databases, periodicals and reference series: $35,000
- Budget augmentation to maintain the 20hrs/wk Reference services at the Chico Center: $8,600
- FWS funds to maintain Library circulation, reference and technical services: $33,023
- FWS funds for Chico Center Library to maintain services and operation: $56,000
- One new part-time Reference Librarian for Chico Center Library $45,429
- One part-time library media technician for Chico Center Library: $15,600
- One Reference Librarian position (70% Reference and 30% archives): $65,402

One-Time Requirements

- Update on Library book collection: $15,000
- Student Assistants at the circulation, computer commons, technical services: $16,000
- Chico Center Library: student assistants to maintain the services: $8,800
- 8 book carts and new shelving for reserve materials: $2,860
- BI room light configuration: $6,000
- Chico Center Library 4 student computers: $5,600
- BC Archives: two 3’ to 4’ tall lockable display cases and an oversize flat file storage case: $4,200

Current Revenue Streams

- Title III grant: $20,000