

Integrating Research Instruction into the Curriculum: A Model for English Departments

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Mission

Project Mission

- **Create an Approach for Information Literacy in the Junior and Sophomore English Seminars**
- **Create Web Sites for the Seminars that provide Information on Assignments and Research help**

The Team

Team Members

- **Associate Professor of English**
- **Two Senior English Majors**
- **Two Reference Librarians**
- **One Curricular Support Specialist**

Timeline

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- **Summer 2002: Project Developed**
- **Fall 2002: Focus Groups of Senior English Majors**
- **Winter 2002: Senior Majors Questionnaire**
- **Spring 2002: Information Literacy Sessions implemented in English Junior Seminar**
- **2003-2004: Implement Information Literacy in English Sophomore Seminar**

Strategy

Project Strategy

- **Find out what students think they need to know in order to research**
 - **Focus Groups with English Senior Majors**
 - **English Senior Major Questionnaire**
 - **Pre- and Post-session Surveys of English Junior Majors in Seminar**

Strategy

Project Strategy

- **Problem Based Learning**
 - **Information Literacy Session when Students need to know**
 - **Working Bibliography Assignment – Students describe problems encountered in Research**

Implementation

Project Implementation

- **Creating Information Literacy in the English Junior Seminars**
 - **Course Guide on the Web for Seminar**
 - **Working Bibliography Assignment**
 - **Information Literacy Session in Seminar**

What's Next

Goals for 2003-2004

- **Implement Information Literacy in the Sophomore English Seminars**
- **Progress on Creating Seminar Web Sites**