Credo InfoLit Modules for Faculty Use

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This summer, Plough Library subscribed to a suite of information literacy e-learning modules called Credo InfoLit Modules. Created by educators and librarians, Credo InfoLit Modules are ideal for supplementing existing lessons, for “one-shot” instruction sessions, and for addressing gaps in classroom or online teaching. They include assessment tools to measure and report on student learning outcomes.

The modules cover six broad topics:
1. Getting Started with Research
2. Sources of Information
3. Searching for Information
4. Evaluating Information
5. Presenting Research and Data
6. Citations and Academic Integrity

Each of the six modules includes a variety of activities—short tutorials, videos, and quizzes—that faculty can assign in an a la carte fashion. With over sixty activities to choose from, faculty are free to assign as many or few activities as they like, in any particular order.

Examples of activities include:
- Quiz: Thesis Statements
- Tutorial: Scholarship as Conversation
- Tutorial: Choosing & Using Keywords
- Video: Refining Search Results
- Tutorial: Synthesizing Information
- Video: MLA 8th Edition Citation Style
- Quiz: Academic Integrity

HOW TO USE THEM

Faculty will find full instructions on how to add Credo InfoLit Modules activities into their courses in the Faculty Guide at http://libguides.cbu.edu/infolit-faculty.

Faculty can either add activities directly into Moodle courses or link to them outside of Moodle. In order to easily track quiz scores, we recommend linking to quizzes within Moodle courses.

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INSTRUCTOR GUIDES

Instructor Guides are available for each of the six modules and include:

- Learning Objectives
- Standards Addressed (ACRL and AAC&U)
- Discussion Topics
- Activity Ideas

To access Instructor Guides (and preview what Credo InfoLit Modules look like in Moodle), faculty may self-enroll in the Credo InfoLit Modules Moodle Course located at [http://moodle.cbu.edu/course/view.php?id=2184](http://moodle.cbu.edu/course/view.php?id=2184). Faculty can also find the course by browsing the Course Categories in Moodle for Library > Information Literacy > Credo InfoLit Modules.

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**Personal Librarian Program, Year 2**

Plough Library is starting its second year of the Personal Librarian program, where each first-year student is assigned a librarian from our staff. As part of CBU 101, first-year students are required to make an appointment and meet with their Personal Librarian for a quick, one-on-one introduction to the library during the fall semester.

Our goal is to provide enhanced personal support to incoming students, so they’ll feel more comfortable with the library and make more effective use of library resources and services.

We are also introducing an assessment component this year. First-year students will take the Credo InfoLit Modules Pre-Test as part of CBU 101, so library staff can gather some baseline data and use it to better focus the library’s information literacy efforts.

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**Rock Hunt**

Be on the lookout for painted rocks around campus. Think you’ve found one? Check the back. If it says, “Return to library for a prize,” bring that rock to a librarian and you’ll receive a sweet surprise.

The rocks could be anywhere on campus inside or outside. Good luck and happy hunting!
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Thursday, October 5
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Beverly & Sam Ross Art Gallery

Terry Kenney:
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August 18 - October 5, 2017

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Chuck Johnson: Signals

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Find all of these books and more on our New Books shelf.

Alice + Freda Forever: a murder in Memphis, Alexis Coe
Call Number: 306.76 C64 2014
Alice murdered her same sex fiancée. In Memphis. In 1892. And it is non-fiction.

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Call Number: 305.5 V36 2016
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The Underground Railroad, Colson Whitehead
Call Number: 813.54 W55u 2016
What if the Underground Railroad was actually an underground railroad? Runaway slaves experience different worlds while trying to find freedom.

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They are Mexican, fifteen, and gay. It’s all about love for friends, family, community, yourself, and each other.

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Dylan won the Nobel Prize for Literature and is considered the voice of his generation. Find out if he is worth the hype. Besides, if you just listen to his music, you’ll have no idea what he is actually saying.

The Book of Isaias, Daniel Connolly
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Another Memphis book, by a Memphis author, about a Memphis kid. The Book of Isaias will help you understand nationally important issues on a really local level.

Looking Forward, Looking Back
(A Farewell Note from Benjamin Head)

In August, Plough Library’s longtime instruction librarian Benjamin Head left CBU for new adventures in Illinois. The Plough Library staff wish him well and plan to continue many of the instruction and outreach programs he initiated during his time at CBU.

It seems like just yesterday when I came to Plough Library, sixteen plus years ago. I was lost and ran into a Brother who directed me to personnel. I found the campus quiet, quaint, and artsy—as there was art all over. I soon found out that we could attribute that to Br. Robert Werle.

It has been a great, fulfilling time here at CBU, through three library directors and numerous colleagues that have come and gone on to new things; not better, but new.

I have had the opportunity to enjoy and benefit from many things since coming to CBU.

Next are the faculty who obviously care about their students and display that caring in their actions, both inside and outside of the classrooms I have had the opportunity to participate in and observe.

Most important are our students, both first year and upperclass students. The first year students enter each fall, open minded and eager for adventure, and leave after four or more years as materially changed and educated adults.

All of the above inspired and assisted me in attempting to make sure all of our patrons were aware of what resources, assistance, and skills we had to offer to enhance their teaching and learning experiences. My efforts began when I started The Same Page Newsletter for the purpose of getting the word out about our resources. It turned out to be the springboard to all future efforts to share and display all that the library had to offer. Those efforts eventually included instruction, reference, roving outreach, the Inside-Out Fall Festival, Popup Library Study Sessions, the Personal Librarian Program, Flyby Instruction Sessions, winning three grants to explore and develop improved library services, being set designer at the faculty staff talent show, starting the Library Liaison program, chairing the effort for faculty status for librarians, presenting at the CBU Teaching Excellence conference, serving as liaison to the EXCEL Leadership Students Program, sharing our efforts through presentation and publication with Tennessee Library Association, serving on numerous committees, and more. This was all in hope that these efforts would help our patrons to achieve their goals.

In addition to hanging out in Grant Park in downtown Chicago, I am looking forward to continuing to find ways to assist students, faculty and staff in being aware of and benefitting from information resources that will enhance their learning and teaching experiences through librarianship and teaching. I will miss doing that at CBU.