

JSU Houston Cole Library In-House Survey 2011 Report  
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**Survey Brief:**

The HCL in-house Survey was held from 7:30 am February 14<sup>th</sup> to 4:30pm February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Two posters were placed at Lobby to catch the participants' attention to direct the participants to the Library homepage to take the survey. Seventy survey results were received and of which sixty were completed survey results.

**Survey Analysis:**

Part I. Information about you

**Question 1.** Who are you?

**Answers:**

JSU undergraduate student 50 (82.0%)	JSU faculty member 6 (9.85%)	Other 1 (1.6%)
JSU graduate student 2 (3.3%)	JSU staff member 2 (3.3%)	

**Question 2.** Your major/department is ("none" if no major chosen at this time)

Accounting 2	Ecology/Environmental Biology 1	Pre-Engineering 2	None 3
Art 3	Education 10	Pre-law 2	Library 4
Biology 3	English 2	Political Science 1	Earth studies 1
Business 3	Information Technology 1	Psychology 2	Computer Science 1
Business administration 1	Music 1	Social Work 1	Nursing 9
CIS 1	Merchandising 1	Sociology 1	Theater 1

Criminal Justice 3

Masters of Public Administration 1

Technology 1

**Question 3.** Why did you come to the Library today? (check all that apply)

**Answers:**

Find materials (books/periodical articles/audiovisual/etc.) 25 (47.1%)

Group study 10 (16.7%)

Get help from a librarian 6 (10%)

Find a quiet place to study alone 21 (35.0%)

Use computer (workstation/laptop) 39 (65%)

For Library instruction/Orientation 5 (8.3%)

Use printer/copier 26 (43.3%)

Other 8 (13.3%)

Part II. Information about Library Services

**Question 1.** How important is the Library to you?

**Answers:**

Extremely 41 (70.7%)

Very 11 (19.0%)

Somewhat 6 (10.3%)

Not Very 0 (0.0%)

Not at all 0 (0.0%)

**Question 2.** How often do you visit the Library?

**Answers:**

	<b>2-6 times a week</b>	<b>weekly</b>	<b>monthly</b>	<b>1-4 times a semester</b>
In Person:	40 (66.7%)	15 (25.0%)	1 (1.7%)	4 (6.7%)
On the Web:	10 (25.0%)	6 (15.0%)	10 (25.0%)	14 (35.0%)

**Question 3.** Do the Library's current hours meet your academic needs?

**Answers:**

**Yes** 43 (74.1%)                      **Somewhat** 13 (22.4%)                      **Barely** 1 (1.7%)                      **Not at all** 1 (1.7%)

Would you like to recommend different Library Hours?:

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) Later opening on Saturdays and Sunday
- 4) The same
- 5) Add more night hours to 12mid night, they should open Fridays till maybe 9pm
- 6) Sat. 9am-6pm
- 7) Morning hours on the weekend
- 8) Friday night is my free night to study, and you are closed
- 9) Would like to open before 3pm on Sunday
- 10) Open at 7am. Instead of 7:30

**Question 4.** Are Library materials adequate?

**Answers:**

	<b>Extremely</b>	<b>Very</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Not Very</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	<b>Never use</b>
Print materials (books and journals/magazines)	28 (46.7%)	25 (41.7%)	6 (10%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (1.7%)
Electronic materials (books and journals/magazines)	27 (47.4%)	24 (42.1%)	4 (7.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (3.5%)
Course reserves	19 (32.8%)	16 (27.6%)	8 (13.8%)	1 (1.7%)	0 (0.0%)	14 (24.1%)
Audio/Video materials	16 (28.1%)	20 (35.1%)	8 (14.0%)	1 (1.8%)	0 (0.0%)	12 (21.1%)
Library handouts, guides, lists, etc.	19 (32.8%)	22 (37.9%)	6 (10.3%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	11 (19.0%)

If you could suggest any one thing to improve the library collection what would it be?

- 1) more variety in CD's
- 2) Reduce the cost of printing and copying!... the current cost is too much for students who print or copy frequently at library!
- 3) More current print materials
- 4) More opera FULL Scores, not just vocal scores
- 5) Have an "aggregator" type catalog that when searched will search all the journal and ebook databases.
- 6) Another computer room
- 7) More computers with audio, besides the 6<sup>th</sup> floor
- 8) n/a
- 9) more variety of textbooks
- 10) I would like to see all materials to be continually improved upon.
- 11) Get more artbooks
- 12) Give all library personnel a big raise
- 13) More on ufos

**Question 5.** Rate the Library services:

	<b>Extremely</b>	<b>Very</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>Not Very</b>	<b>Not at all</b>	<b>Never Use</b>
How easy is it to use Library Web pages?	28 (46.7%)	21 (35.0%)	9 (15.0%)	2 (3.3%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
How easy is it to find what you need at the Library?	27 (45.0%)	23 (38.3%)	9 (15.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (1.7%)	0 (0.0%)
How easy is it to use the reserve service?	18 (31.0%)	14 (24.1%)	8 (13.8%)	1 (1.7%)	1 (1.7%)	16 (27.6%)
How easy is it to use the InterLibrary Loan services?	20 (33.3%)	8 (13.3%)	6 (10.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (1.7%)	25 (41.7%)
How helpful is the Library staff?	34 (56.7%)	19 (31.7%)	5 (8.3%)	1 (1.7%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (1.7%)
How helpful is the Library orientation/Instruction program?	23 (38.3%)	13 (21.7%)	7 (11.7%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (1.7%)	16 (26.7%)
How helpful is the Library's reference services?	24 (40.7%)	22 (37.3%)	7 (11.9%)	2 (3.4%)	0 (0.0%)	4 (6.8%)

**Question 6.** Rate the Library's facilities and equipment:

	<b>Very good</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Poor</b>	<b>Very Poor</b>	<b>Never use</b>
Study areas	30 (51.7%)	26 (44.8%)	2 (3.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Group study rooms	24 (42.1%)	16 (28.1%)	1 (1.8%)	0 (0.0%)	16 (28.1%)
Computers (workstations and laptops)	32 (54.2%)	25 (42.4%)	2 (3.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Copier	15(25.4%)	20 (33.9%)	13 (22.0%)	2 (3.4%)	9 (15.3%)
Printer	24 (41.4%)	27 (46.6%)	4 (6.9%)	1 (1.7%)	2 (3.4%)
Scanner	11 (18.6%)	15 (25.4%)	7 (11.9%)	2 (3.4%)	24 (40.7%)
Micro-form Reader	10 (17.5%)	20 (35.1%)	1 (1.8%)	1(1.8%)	25 (43.9%)

Any comments regarding the Library's facilities and equipments:

- 1) Needs new more comfortable chairs at all the tables and desks.
- 2) add one more quiet floor
- 3) Installing Microsoft Office 2007 on every computer would help immensely
- 4) musicians on the 6th floor can't study to talk about pieces at the library. We need to be able to play our recordings on the floor, and talk openly.
- 5) Wooden back chairs are uncomfortable to sit in; computer stations should allow access to Microsoft Word and other software; Print cards and cost in general are too expensive; micro-form readers are good when they work.
- 6) don't like the new idea regarding copies
- 7) no
- 8) no
- 9) Sometimes there are lights out over the individual study areas, Technology is vital in our world today so I would like to see more and better equipment relative to the budget. Computers are important to all of our short term and long term success.
- 10) 12th floor is favorite
- 11) I think we have a very good Library
- 12) not as good as my planet's library but good for earth services

**Question 7.** Are there any other services you would like to see at the library or any other comments you would like to make? If yes, please detail.

- 1) When the library is closing the speaker to tell everyone it is closing is far too loud, we have all been sitting in silence and the speaker is not yelling but screaming at the students.
- 2) Love the staff. Friendly and fun to be around.
- 3) A library is a library is a library. This location does the job well, and the online resources made available suffice for my own personal research needs quite well.
- 4) just still insisting on reducing the cost of printing and copying!!
- 5) For goodness sake...  
fix the student printing options. The card machines have been broken for a year.
- 6) The people who work here are excellent and the services they provide are outstanding. Some shortcomings noted above but otherwise excellent.
- 7) I liked old was to make copies with our id and putting monies on it here at JSU..I don't have a debit card and that is now a big inconvenience as well as the extra fee for the transfer of funds,
- 8) No
- 9) Keep up the good work and let's continue to grow and improve.
- 10) the copiers are quite poor. and the computers are very inaccessible due to strong blocks on them.
- 11) Open for longer hours
- 12) mobile library page
- 13) 4 day work week