

## **Senate Library Committee Report**

### **October 8, 2021 Meeting of the Senate**

The Senate Library Committee met on September 27, 2021 to discuss the “2021 Return to Campus Library Uses Survey” (see Report below).

The committee members observed that the survey indicates that, among faculty, current preferences for library instruction modality vary (in-person, virtual, hybrid). Preliminary data from Fall 2021 also show strong interest in both in-person and remote instruction on the South Orange Campus. Instruction on the IHS campus this semester is mostly in-person.

The committee recognizes that students are best served when course instructors and Library faculty work together to determine which modality is best suited for course-specific research instruction. We commend the Library for offering both in-person and remote instruction.

Because many faculty request instruction in the Library’s instructional spaces, the committee also strongly supports efforts to increase the functionality of these spaces, including updating older equipment to align with instructional technology available in most classrooms.

We also commend the Library for maintaining the “home delivery” borrowing option.

Respectfully submitted,

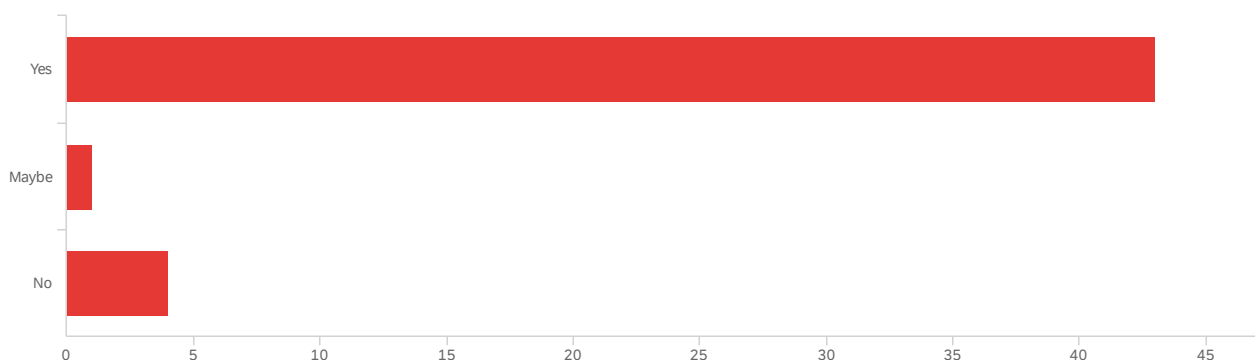
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2021 Return to Campus Library Uses Survey

August 31, 2021 11:06 AM MDT

Q1 - Have you used any resources in the University Libraries at Seton Hall during the past 12 months?

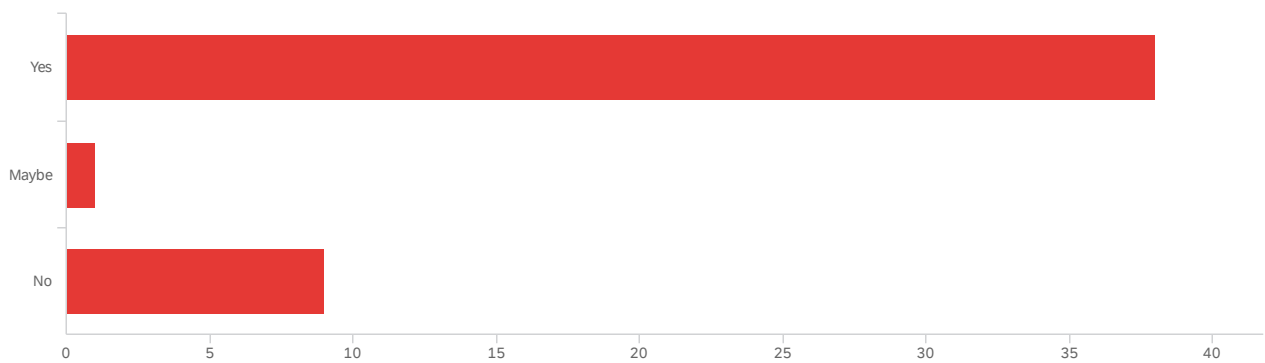


#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Have you used any resources in the University Libraries at Seton Hall during the past 12 months?	1.00	3.00	1.19	0.56	0.32	48

#	Field	Choice Count
1	Yes	89.58% 43
2	Maybe	2.08% 1
3	No	8.33% 4
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Q2 - Have you used any virtual resources in the University Libraries at Seton Hall during the past 12 months?

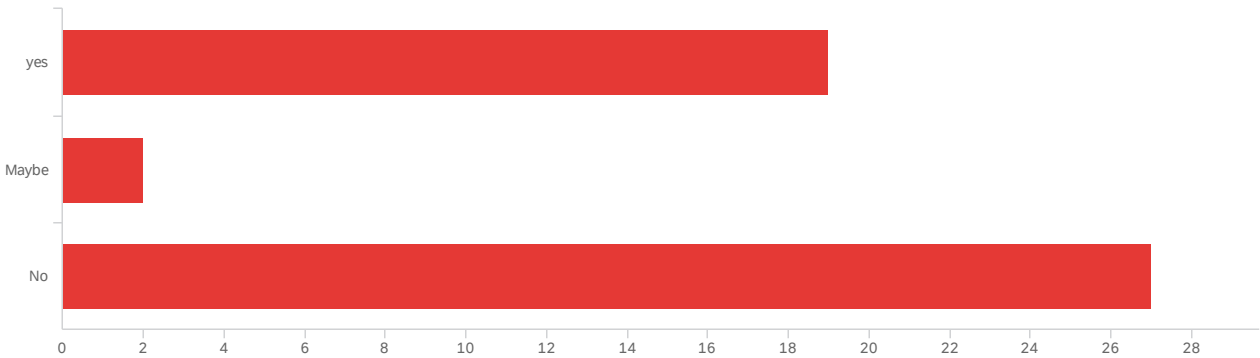


#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Have you used any virtual resources in the University Libraries at Seton Hall during the past 12 months?	1.00	3.00	1.40	0.78	0.61	48

#	Field	Choice Count
1	Yes	79.17% 38
2	Maybe	2.08% 1
3	No	18.75% 9
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### Q3 - Have you used any in-person resources in the University Libraries at Seton Hall during the past 12 months?

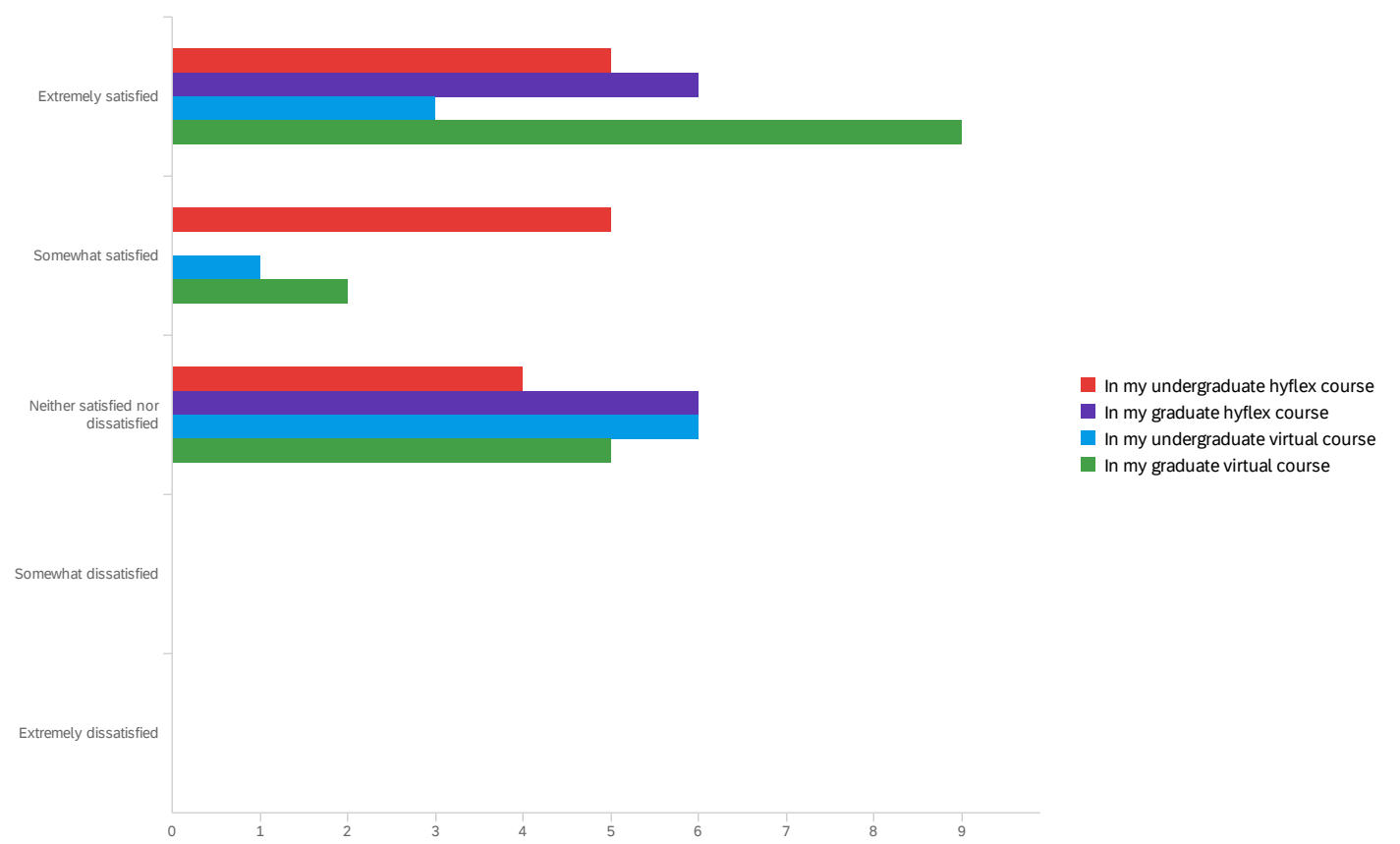


#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Have you used any in-person resources in the University Libraries at Seton Hall during the past 12 months?	1.00	3.00	2.17	0.96	0.93	48

#	Field	Choice Count
1	yes	39.58% 19
2	Maybe	4.17% 2
3	No	56.25% 27
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## Q4 - How satisfied were you with virtual library instruction, if you had any librarian visit with your courses?



#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	In my undergraduate hyflex course	1.00	3.00	1.93	0.80	0.64	14
2	In my graduate hyflex course	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	12
3	In my undergraduate virtual course	1.00	3.00	2.30	0.90	0.81	10
4	In my graduate virtual course	1.00	3.00	1.75	0.90	0.81	16

#	Field	Extremely satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Extremely dissatisfied	Total
1	In my undergraduate hyflex course	35.71% 5	35.71% 5	28.57% 4	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	14
2	In my graduate hyflex course	50.00% 6	0.00% 0	50.00% 6	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	12

#	Field	Extremely satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Extremely dissatisfied	Total
3	In my undergraduate virtual course	30.00% 3	10.00% 1	60.00% 6	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	10
4	In my graduate virtual course	56.25% 9	12.50% 2	31.25% 5	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	16

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## Q5 - Do you have any comments regarding virtual library instruction? What did you find beneficial about it? What were some challenges?

Do you have any comments regarding virtual library instruction? What did yo...

Easy to use. When I had a question the librarian got on right away and helped me.

Kyle was very flexible in timing his visits and super helpful to my students afterwards.

Yes. The virtual instruction was crucial in that, among other things, it reinforced the practice of accessing library resources remotely. The instructor also made the students aware of strategies for overcoming a lack of access to physical materials.

The presentation was well prepared and related to the student's research projects. The challenge was to get the students to actively participate.

NA

It was nearly the same as have a non-virtual instruction

Everyone was doing the best they could.

Virtual library instruction was more accommodating for the librarian and was a very beneficial experience, similar to how it would have been if was in-person.

Not all of the articles have immediate retrieval

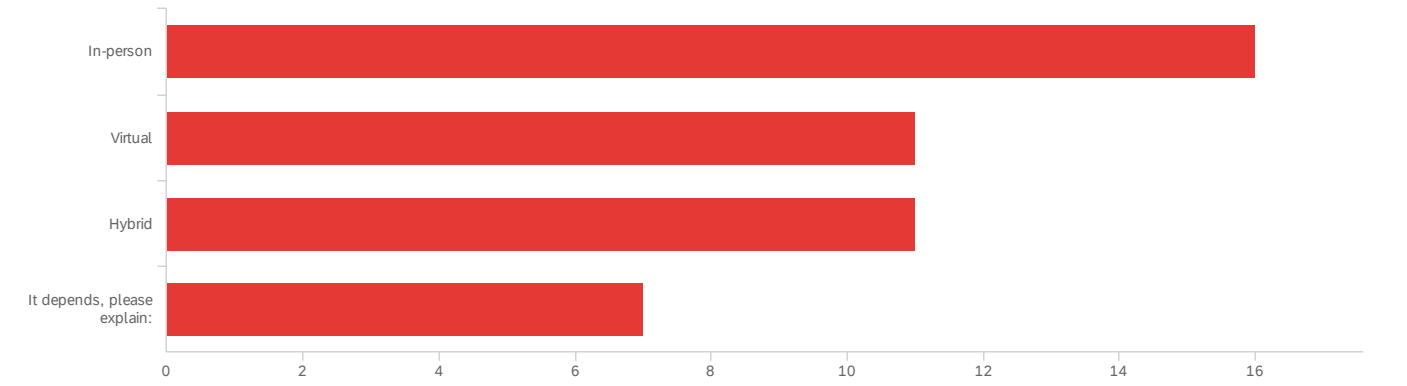
Don't use it.

N/A

I did not need to use the library over the past 12 months.

very helpful and students utilized it in their projects

Q6 - Upon returning to in-person instruction, would you prefer in-person, virtual, or hybrid library instruction?



#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Upon returning to in-person instruction, would you prefer in-person, virtual, or hybrid library instruction? - Selected Choice	1.00	4.00	2.20	1.09	1.18	45

#	Field	Choice Count
1	In-person	35.56% 16
2	Virtual	24.44% 11
3	Hybrid	24.44% 11
4	It depends, please explain:	15.56% 7

45

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Q6\_4\_TEXT - It depends, please explain:

It depends, please explain:

Different classes have different needs. Evening classes might benefit from virtual instruction, and it does allow for some useful screen sharing.

it doesn't matter - whatever works

I have not had any virtual instruction. I have used virtual \_resources\_, as indicated above (ebooks, journals, etc)

If I am in the classroom with the majority of students, I would like in-person instruction.



It depends, please explain:

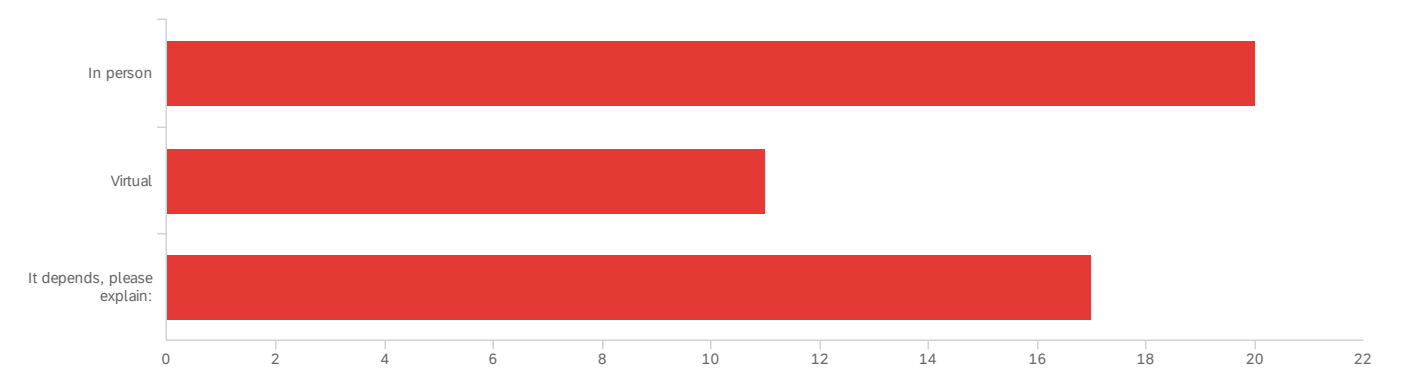
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In person if all the students have been vaccinated for COVID 19. The safety of the presenter and their family is a priority and the presentation can be given using Microsoft Teams.

Whatever is more convenient for the librarian and accommodating for their schedule.

On the assignments

Q7 - Upon returning to campus, would you use the library in-person or prefer using it solely virtually?



#	Field	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std Deviation	Variance	Count
1	Upon returning to campus, would you use the library in-person or prefer using it solely virtually? - Selected Choice	1.00	3.00	1.94	0.88	0.77	48

#	Field	Choice Count
1	In person	41.67% 20
2	Virtual	22.92% 11
3	It depends, please explain:	35.42% 17
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Q7\_3\_TEXT - It depends, please explain:

It depends, please explain:

For instruction: virtual; for interlibrary loans (research) in person

I will do both!

Virtually when possible, in-person if and when on campus

I need to use it both ways depending on the question

virtual, unless I need a physical book

It depends, please explain:

It depends on how much time I have while I am on campus.

I use the actual library on South Orange campus because I have space there, but otherwise use virtual library services.

Both!

Sometimes virtual is more convenient, sometimes in-person

Resources I need

In person if all the students have been fully vaccinated for COVID 19

Both, sometimes I need a physical book, but most of the time remote access works very well.

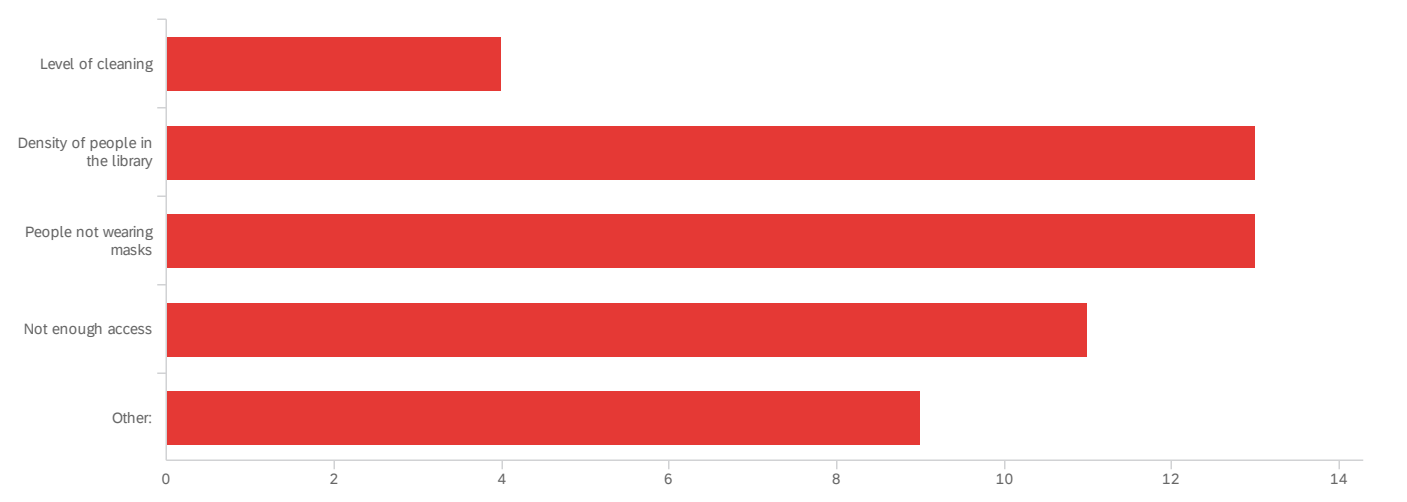
I would utilize both; while home and working, I would obviously utilize the library's resources virtually. On campus, however, I will utilize them in-person.

On the need

When I am on campus, prefer in person. When working from home prefer virtual.

both, depending on what I need

Q8 - For in-person library use – either for teaching or research – which of the following concerns do you have:



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Level of cleaning	8.00% 4
2	Density of people in the library	26.00% 13
3	People not wearing masks	26.00% 13
4	Not enough access	22.00% 11
5	Other:	18.00% 9
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Q8\_5\_TEXT - Other:

Other:

I wouldn't have any concerns about coming to the library

none

no concerns

none

Students and staff that have a vaccine exemption

Other:

No concerns

N/A

None

none

## Q9 - Please share any other thoughts or questions do you have regarding return to campus and library uses?

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Please keep the opportunity for mailing items to our home and back to the library. This has been such a wonderful service!

Can't wait!

I look forward to visiting the library again soon!

The library staff have done an excellent job during the pandemic, making resources easily available in many ways. Thank you!

Thank you for the wonderful job you are doing!

With 10% of students saying they will not get vaccinated and "personal reasons" as an excuse to not do so, I am wary of people in confined spaces.

Thank you for all you do!

I will do everything in person, as much as possible. People need to be connected.

Having materials on reserve for the students to use would be beneficial

I use the library frequently (in person) and it has been well-run during the pandemic. I have no concerns about returning to the library frequently (in person).Thank you.

The Walsh Library was always buzzing with students and it was always great to be there as it feels like a learning and scholarly community at the University. Looking forward to the return to campus!

The mortality rate among those without pre-existing conditions is virtually non-existent. The destruction our reaction to it has caused is incalculable.

Please continue to provide ample funding to our beautiful library. Despite many people preferring the shift to virtual library access, the budget needed for a library is still of the utmost importance. Closing down locations and/or minimizing the library would be, I believe, a detriment to our campus.

Return as normal

**End of Report**

