



LEAD CITY UNIVERSITY
Faculty of Arts and Education
Department of Library and Information Science

COURSE PARTICULARS

Course Code:	LIS 316
Course Title:	Social Science and Business Information Resources and Services
No. of Units:	2 Units
Status:	Elective

LECTURER DETAILS

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Area(s) of Specialization:	Information Literacy, Information sources and services

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The course explains major disciplines in social sciences and business arena, the information needs and information seeking behavior of the workers and the different types of information sources in social science and business. Information will be defined, the different types and evaluation of information will also be explained.. Some relevant agencies, stakeholders and journals in social sciences will be discussed.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The major objective of the course is to teach the students how to develop skills and technical abilities to identify and analyze the information needs of the workers in social science and business fields and the specific information sources to meet the needs. Other objectives of the course include the following:

1. Exposing the students to the major disciplines different disciplines in the social sciences;
2. Teaching the students the basic and specific information sources in the social sciences and business fields;
3. Teaching the students how to disseminate information to workers and relevant others in the social sciences and business;
4. Identifying major stakeholders and agencies in social sciences and business;
5. Training students how to evaluate different information sources available in print and electronic forms.

ASSESSMENT: -

- Class Attendance - 10marks
- Test(s) and Assignments - 30 marks
- Examination - 60 marks

LECTURE PLAN

Week	Topic
Week 1	Introduction
Week 2	Information Seeking and Use in the Humanities
Week 3	Structure of Resources and Users
Week 4	Structure of Resources and Users (Continued).
Week 5	Basic and specific information sources in the social sciences
Week 6	Introduction to Social Science Databases
Week 7	Evolution of various disciplines and the role of research methodology in social sciences
Week 8	Bibliographic Control, Reference Tools and Instructional Resources
Week 9	Some Relevant Journals and other Useful Resources in Social Sciences
Week 10	Some Relevant Agencies and Stakeholders in Social Sciences
Week 11	Evaluation of Social Science Information
Week 12	REVISION

READING LIST: -

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4. Aina, L.O. (2004). Library and Information Science Text for Africa. Third World Information Services Limited, Ibadan

5. Ojedokun, Ayoku A. (2007). Information Literacy for Tertiary Education Students in Africa. Third World Information Services Limited, Ibadan.
6. Behrens, S.J. (2000). Information Sources and Reference Work. University of South Africa.
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8. Chowdhury, G.G. et al. (2008). Librarianship: An Introduction. Facet Publishing, London.
9. Dick, Archie L. (2002). The Philosophy, Politics and Economics of Information. University of South Africa
10. International Monetary Fund (IMF). Available at: <http://www.imf.org/external/index.htm>
11. Matchet, M.P.; Behrens, S.J. (1999). Information Science: Information Literacy. University of South Africa.
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TUTORIAL QUESTIONS

1. (a) What is a database?
(b) Mention and explain four (4) advantages of a database.
2. Describe five (5) examples of Social Science Databases.
3. Discuss the steps to carrying out meaningful research in the Social Sciences.
4. Describe Sociology as a field of knowledge.
5. (a) Define information?
(b) Explain four (4) characteristics of information.
6. (a) What are reference sources?
(b) Give six (6) examples of reference sources in the Social Sciences.
7. (a) Define the term Evaluation.
(b) Explain any four (4) criteria for evaluating Social Science information.
8. List and discuss the categorization of information sources in Social Sciences as specified by Tyagi, Krishan in his studies.
9. (a) Identify five (5) relevant stakeholders in Social Sciences.
(b) Explain any two (2) of the stakeholders identified above.
10. Write short notes on the following:
 - (i) Information need.
 - (ii) Economics as a field of study
 - (iii) Information seeking behavior.
 - (iv) Bibliographic control
 - (v) Primary sources of information
11. Describe the information seeking behavior of Social Scientists using the Davis Ellis six (6) fundamental characteristics of information seeking behavior of social scientists.
12. Mention and describe five (5) useful journals in social sciences.