

## Examples of Research Questions in Library and Information Science

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This is a list of examples of research questions found in the library and information science literature. The quality of the question was not a consideration for inclusion.

*What do future school library administrators believe is an appropriate title for their position?*

(Franklin, R. E. 2009. [Education Libraries](#) 32(2):13-20)

*Do ALA-accredited graduate library education programs offer their students the knowledge they will need to enter leadership and management positions within the library profession?*

(Mackenzie ML; Smith JP. 2009. *Journal of Education for Library & Information Science* 50(3):129-42)

*How do everyday Second Life users go about finding needed information?*

(Ostrander, Margaret. 2008. *Library Hi Tech* 26(4): (2008):512-524)

*How can human expertise be effectively and efficiently incorporated into information systems to answer user questions?*

(Lankes RD. 2004. *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology* 55(3):301-311)

*“Do social scientists read and need e-prints?”*

(Terken B. 2009. *The Grey Journal* 5(1):31-34)

*How frequently were social media sites, such as online forums, Facebook, Twitter, and/or YouTube, used by students in relation to carrying out coursework and studying during the entire term?*

[http://projectinfolit.org/pdfs/PIL\\_Fall2011\\_TechStudy\\_FullReport1.2.pdf](http://projectinfolit.org/pdfs/PIL_Fall2011_TechStudy_FullReport1.2.pdf)

*What is the role of the library in contributing to doctoral institutions' reputational scores?*

(Weiner S. 2009. *Journal of Academic Librarianship* 35(1):3-13)

*Is there value to cataloging freely available Internet resources in the OPAC?*

(Brown CC; Meagher ES. 2008. *Interlending & Document Supply* 36(3):135-141)

*When entering the first year of undergraduate study, how information literate are the students?*

(Mittermeyer D. 2005. *Education for Information* 23(4):203-32)

*What are the variables that influence the outcome of challenges to school library materials in secondary schools?*

(Hopkins, D M. 1993. *Library Quarterly* 63(1):40-72)

*How do students perceive their ability to locate information for school purposes on the Internet?*

(Bogel G. 2007. *Evidence Based Library & Information Practice* 2(2):90-3)