Niagara College Libraries Student Advisory Team (NCLSAT)

Niagara-on-the-Lake Division

April 6, 2015 1:30-2:30pm (Meeting #4)

Minutes

Present:

Students: Olivia G., Malwina K., Gaby H., Alena I.

Staff: Jackie P., Sam S.

Agenda:

1. Introductions and refreshments
2. Discussion items:
   a. Actions taken since last meeting
      I. Film Collection reorganization
      II. ITS helpdesk move
      III. Additional express computer
      IV. Timestamp on online renewals—in progress
   b. Exploratory
   c. Academic Integrity Series
   d. Other observations
3. Activity: online survey (http://goo.gl/forms/pt9JKxp3mh)
4. Continuing contact: NCLSAT on Blackboard, CCR
5. Next meeting TBD
Minutes:

2 a) Actions taken since last meeting:
   - New ITS desk location better than the former “island” in the middle of the floor
   - Additional express computer good, but dedicated printing computer would be great

b) Exploratory
   - Concept well-received by team members, lots of enthusiasm for 3D printer access
   - Tutorial software for learning to code, especially HTML & Java would be a valuable service for students since many jobs require these competencies; the exploratory would be a great place to work on these as supplementary skills

c) Academic Integrity Series
   - Definite need for students to have more information on plagiarism and citations
   - Instructors emphasize the importance of avoiding plagiarism and several use SafeAssign, but some students do not realize what constitutes plagiarism due to cultural differences, etc., (this is especially difficult with group work), therefore college-wide program would be helpful
   - Plagiarism and APA citations are of greatest concern to students
   - Hybrid mode of delivery seems fine

e) Other observations:
   - We need more laptops to loan
   - It would be helpful if ITS posted reminders about avoiding excessive printing, e.g., printing PowerPoints one slide at a time, at computers
   - Can the Library have a short URL that follows the same pattern as other Niagara College departments, i.e., library.niagaracollege.ca?
   - Students have been encountering several of the misleading “access denied” screens from the new eBook collection in their search results