

WSU Libraries Vision, Mission and Strategic Goals – 2009-2013

Our Vision

The WSU Libraries are vital to the teaching, learning, research and outreach mission of the University.

Our Mission

We aspire to exceed the needs and expectations of the WSU community by:

- Selecting, organizing, preserving and providing access to sources of knowledge in all formats.
- Designing and delivering information services to support our public land-grant university.
- Providing environments for individual and collaborative discovery, study and learning.
- Offering instructional services to promote information literacy and lifelong learning.

Our Strategic Goals

Goal I: Provide excellent resources and services tailored to support the research and outreach efforts and the teaching and learning activities of Washington State University.

- Strengthen and preserve collections
- Develop and promote specialized services and facilities for students, faculty, and researchers
- Promote the adoption of new models of scholarly communication and alternative publication models
- Expand access to unique collections of scholarly materials
- Employ assessment and data collection/analysis programs to help us understand how best to serve library users
- Provide instruction in Information Literacy in support of WSU's teaching and learning goals

Goal II: Develop the digital and physical environments of the Libraries to enhance the mission of Washington State University.

- Upgrade facilities to provide space for both new pedagogical approaches (such as collaborative learning) and traditional uses
- Provide the technological infrastructure to meet user needs and expectations for access to and use of information
- Improve user access to and interaction with library facilities and information resources

Goal III: Collaborate with departments, programs and consortia around the campus, state and world to improve access to, interaction with, and understanding of the changing global information environment.

- Strengthen liaison and outreach activities to WSU faculty
- Expand services to statewide users and beyond
- Integrate current information technologies into user services
- Work with consortial partners to deliver quality resources and services

Goal IV: Develop the Libraries' infrastructure and employee foundation.

- Invest in the ongoing development of the Libraries' faculty and staff
- Support and build the diversity of our workforce and community
- Build endowments and external funding
- Work to ensure timely, transparent and effective communication within all levels of the Libraries