Purdue University Libraries, Press, and Copyright Office
Strategic Plan 2016-2019

Mission

Our mission is to advance the creation of knowledge for the global community through the provision, development, dissemination, curation and preservation of research and scholarship; the collection and archiving of the historical record of the University; the teaching of information literacy; advocacy for informed learning and open access; the creation of dynamic physical and virtual learning environments; and research in library, archival, and information sciences.

Core Values/Defining Characteristics

We accomplish our mission through a culture that is committed to:

- A learner and researcher focus
- Diversity, equity, inclusiveness, and respect for all
- Collaboration
- Creativity, innovation and risk taking
- Equitable access to information
- Responsible stewardship of University resources

Vision

Purdue University Libraries will be a national and international model for the 21st century academic research library.
Goal One: Learning

GOAL: We contribute to student success and lifelong learning through innovative educational practices. Our research-based information literacy programming empowers Purdue’s diverse communities of learners to use information critically to learn and to create new knowledge. Our learning spaces, both virtual and physical, align with evolving curricula and student learning needs.

OBJ 1: Lead and partner in developing information literacy programming and transformational learning experiences that address the needs of Purdue’s diverse community of learners.

OBJ 2: Advance information literacy educational practices through research.

OBJ 3: Provide dynamic, accessible learning spaces, physical and virtual, through collaboration with campus partners.

Goal Two: Scholarly Communication

GOAL: We enhance the spectrum of scholarly communication from discovery to delivery through the provision of information resources, services, research, partnerships, and national and international leadership. We advocate for change in scholarly communication to promote economic sustainability, effective use of copyright, and open access to knowledge for all.

OBJ 1: Meet the evolving needs of the diverse Purdue community for scholarly information resources through cost-effective strategies that incorporate assessment of the needs of faculty, staff, and students.

OBJ 2: Cultivate, share, and preserve unique scholarly resources in support of teaching, learning, and research.

OBJ 3: Document, preserve, and provide access to the historic record of Purdue for current and future generations.

OBJ 4: Broaden availability of scholarship through advocacy for and support of open access strategies, and the development of new scholarly publishing and communication models.

OBJ 5: Advance evolving modes of scholarship through digital humanities and research data curation.
Goal Three: Engagement and Emerging Opportunities

GOAL: We commit our resources and expertise in Library, Information, and Archival Sciences to advance the profession and contribute to the welfare and economic development of the citizens and state of Indiana, the nation, and the world.

OBJ 1: Conceptualize and explore the future of Information Studies at Purdue in which the Libraries play a central role. Opportunities for new graduate programs and research to address the complex learning, research, and innovation challenges surrounding the role of information and data in society.

OBJ 2: Identify opportunities to address the learning, research, and economic development needs of the State of Indiana.

OBJ 3: Provide leadership in developing and implementing best practices in evolving library services, such as scholarly communication, information literacy, data management and facilities.

OBJ 4: Expand our leadership role in Library, Information, & Archival Sciences research.