

Overview

Our library instruction program no longer provides tours of the library to students. As a result we are going to create podcasts of tours for our students to listen too for self-guided tours of the library. There will be a variety of tour options:

1) Faculty Favorites:

These tours will include options from some of the most popular faculty members on campus. We will identify these professors through RateMyProfessor.com, looking for those ranked a 'hot'. These faculty members will be invited to record a podcast where they talk about their favorite part of the library and why. The podcast will end with a librarian describing how you can find or access the specific resource or collection.

See related project plan

2) Library Collections

The librarians will create tours about the various collections in the library. This will range from traditional collections like reference to special collections like the Italian Center. This will ensure our users know how to find the correct material in the library. These tours will start as audio tours and eventually will become video tours.

3) Library Floors

The librarians will create tours about each of the floors of the library. These will replace traditional library tours. They will cover everything located on the floor in relation to the library. These tours will start as audio tours and eventually will become video tours.

Project Team

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Project Timeline

June 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create sample faculty podcast tour of the library
Summer 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify 5 faculty members ranked as 'hot' on RateMyProfessor.com• Have participating faculty record audio• Script collection and floor tours• Script video tours• Create signage for collection and floor tours.
Fall 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Launch the original set of faculty tours.• Launch collection and floor tours• Work with Comm Media classes to create video content such as library tours to video interviews with librarians.• Identify 5 more faculty members to participate in faculty tours.