

## Overview of the Library Science F101X Library Competency Examination

For information about LS F101X class and Library Competency Examination go to: <http://library.uaf.edu/ls101>.

The Library Competency Examination consists of 55 questions addressing eight information literacy skill sets.

### Library Competency Examination Topics:

- Developing a Research Strategy
- Selecting Finding Tools
- Using Finding Tool Features
- Understanding Economic, Legal, and Social Issues
- Searching
- Retrieving Sources
- Evaluating Sources
- Documenting Sources

### Passing Score:

70% is considered a passing grade to meet the Library Skills GER requirement

**Note:** Academic credit is not received  
Exam scores are not calculated in GPA  
Exam may be repeated one time only to receive a passing grade

**Registration:** The **Library Competency Examination** is administered by the UAF Testing Services

- Complete the Library Competency Exam Form: <http://uaf.edu/files/testing/LS101x.pdf>

**Cost:** Exam Fee is \$30 and can be repeated (one time only) for \$30, after a 24-hour waiting period

- Go to: [www.uaf.edu/testing](http://www.uaf.edu/testing), click on: uStore (see box on the left), click on Library Competency Exam and pay by credit card **OR** pay in person with a credit card at UAF Testing Services  
**OR** pay in person with a credit card, check, or cash at the UAF Office of the Bursar in Signer's Hall (bring the completed Library Competency Exam Form with you)

**Study Preparation Material:** None assigned; however, students can consult the resources below:

- Short video regarding the exam: <http://library.uaf.edu/ls101>
- Concise Guide to Information Literacy:  
<http://login.proxy.library.uaf.edu/login?url=http://www.UAF.eblib.com/patron/FullRecord.aspx?p=871457>
- LS 101X Readings: <http://library.uaf.edu/ls101-readings>

**Testing Site:** UAF Testing Services UAF, Gruening Building, Room 211

**Hours of Operation:** Monday – Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm

**Testing start times between:** 8:30am-2:30pm

**Exception:** The Library Competency Examination is **not available** during UAF holiday closures

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### LS 101X Registration Tip for Closed Sections:

When a LS 101X class section is full, potential students are encouraged to get on the waitlist and attend the first day of class. Often registered students opt to take the Competency Exam after the first day of class then drop the class, opening up *some* spots for students on the waitlist or who have been attending class.