

## **ALL-SIS Relations with Online Vendors Committee Survey on LexisNexis and Westlaw Instruction (2004)**

I received 73 responses, including multiple responses from a few schools. In those instances, I counted only the first survey answers (unless someone emailed me with different instructions). I have used “CALR” as a term that refers to both (and only) LexisNexis and Westlaw.

There are a couple of schools in which CALR instruction is not part of a legal analysis, writing and research class; one school has no such course at all. I included them in Model 4.

Several schools incorporate CALR instruction into the legal analysis, writing and research class rather than having separate hands-on instruction for LexisNexis and Westlaw. In some of those, there may be an initial, separate overview of the services, with the rest of the instruction incorporated into classes on research. I have characterized those as “3 or more classes” along with the few schools that teach 3 or more separate CALR classes.

The questions were designed so that each school would pick a model closest to their practice, then answer standard questions about who teaches CALR, how many classes there are for each service, and when are they taught. One question asked who contributes to the content of the CALR instruction, no matter how it is incorporated (or not incorporated), into the legal analysis, research, and writing course. The final set of (similar) questions pertained to advanced legal research courses.

Model 1: Only librarians teach the first year legal writing, research, and analysis course.

- 10 schools have this model
- Who teaches CALR?
  - Librarians and vendors, 6 schools
  - Vendors only, 3 schools
  - Librarians only, 1 school
- How many classes for each service?
  - Two classes, 4 schools
  - Three or more classes, 4 schools
  - One class, 1 school
- When taught?
  - Two classes, second semester, 3 schools
  - Two classes, one each semester, 1 school
  - Three or more classes, first semester, 2 schools
  - Three or more classes, second semester, 2 schools
  - One class, first semester, 2 schools

Model 2: Librarians and non-librarian faculty co-teach the first year legal writing, analysis, and research course.

- 15 schools have this model
- Who teaches CALR?
  - Librarians and vendors, 5 schools

- Vendors only, 5 schools
- Librarians only, 4 schools
- Librarians, vendors, and non-librarian faculty, 1 school
- How many classes for each service?
  - Two classes, 9 schools
  - One class, 3 schools
  - Three or more classes, 3 schools
- When taught?
  - Two classes, one each semester, 5 schools
  - Two classes, second semester, 3 schools
  - Two classes, first semester, 1 school
  - One class, students learn one service first semester, other service second semester, 2 schools
  - Three or more, both semesters, 2 schools
  - Three or more, first semester, 1 school

Model 3: Librarians are guest lecturers in first year legal research, writing, and analysis course.

- 17 schools have this model
- Who teaches CALR?
  - Vendors only, 7 schools
  - Librarians only, 4 schools
  - Librarians and vendors, 4 schools
  - Librarians, vendors, and non-librarian faculty, 2 schools
- How many classes for each service?
  - Two classes, 8 schools
  - One class, 7 schools
  - Three or more classes, 2 schools
- When taught?
  - Two classes, one each semester, 7 schools
  - Two classes, first semester, 1 school
  - One class, first semester, 2 schools
  - One class, students learn one service first semester, other service second semester, 2 schools
  - One class, second semester, 3 schools

Model 4: Librarians do not teach or lecture in the first year legal analysis, writing, and research course.

- 18 schools have this model
- Who teaches CALR?
  - Vendors only, 12 schools
  - Librarians only, 2 schools
  - Librarians, vendors, non-librarian faculty, 2 schools
  - Librarians, vendors, 1 school
  - Vendors, non-librarian faculty, 1 school
- How many classes for each service?
  - One class, 10 schools

- Two classes, 5 schools
- Three or more classes, 3 schools
- When taught?
  - One class, first semester, 7 schools
  - One class, second semester, 3 schools
  - Two classes, one each semester, 3 schools
  - Two classes, first semester, 1 school
  - Two classes, second semester, 1 school
  - Three or more classes, both semesters, 3 schools

Who provides input into what the classes cover or helps write the script for the CALR classes?

[Note: not all answered this question.]

- Librarians and vendors, 13 schools
- Librarians only, 10 schools
- Vendors only, 10 schools
- Librarians, vendors, non-librarian faculty, 6 schools
- Librarians and non-librarian faculty, 4 schools
- Non-librarian faculty only, 2 schools

## **Advanced Legal Research Courses**

Model A: Advanced legal research is a required course.

- 2 schools have this model
- 2 schools include LexisNexis and Westlaw training in this course
- Who teaches CALR?
  - Librarians only, 1 school
  - Librarians and vendors, 1 school

Model B: Advanced legal research is an elective course.

- 44 schools have this model
- 43 schools include CALR training in the course; 1 school does not
- Who teaches CALR?
  - Librarians and vendors, 19 schools
  - Vendors only, 13 schools
  - Librarians only, 11 schools
  - Non-librarian faculty, 1 school

Who provides input into what the CALR classes cover or helps write the script for the classes in the advanced legal research courses (whatever the model)?

- Librarians only, 21 schools
- Librarians and vendors, 18 schools
- Vendors only, 4 schools
- Non-librarian faculty only, 1 school

