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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Course: FIN 431 Financial Technologies

Department, College: Finance College of Business

Faculty Member: Prof. Xiaowei Xu

Date returned to Faculty: February 7, 2022

Librarian Completing Assessment: Prof. Andrée Rathemacher

Collection Management Officer: Prof. Joanna Burkhardt

Assessment of:

- Suitability of existing library resources;
- New library resources required to support the program;
- Information skills education required by the students; and
- Funds needed for library materials and services.

Please include:

1. What library holdings already exist in relevant subject categories. How much money is now allocated in the subject area?
2. Does URI have the essential journals as noted in the Faculty Questionnaire?
3. What new resources are required to support the course (including media, electronic, or other non-print materials)?
4. What information mastery sessions will be required for the students?
5. What is the approximate cost to acquire the materials necessary? Which of these will be continuing costs?

The Library Impact Statement for FIN 431 *Financial Technologies* states that students will not be conducting library research in the course. The proposed syllabus confirms this. The responses to the prompts on the Course Request LIS Form, “LIST the critical journals, monographs, and electronic resources in the field that the University Library MUST have in order to support this course or program” and “LIST any additional journals, monographs and electronic resources in the field that would support the course, but are NOT essential” are unfilled. Per the syllabus, there is one textbook and three other books that will be used for the course. All are available through the URI Libraries as e-books. All students in the class will be able to access these titles concurrently.

Based on my review of the Library Impact Statement and the proposed syllabus for FIN 431 *Financial Technologies*, I conclude that:

Students will not require information skills education from the library for this course.

Existing library resources are suitable; no new library resources or funds are required to support the course.

In my role as Subject Selector for the College of Business, I support the addition of this course.

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