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Dordt University librarians' use of *Information Literacy – Core* (*InfoLit – Core*) led to a 24% improvement in students' research skills and strengthened the relationship between the library and faculty.

Library director Jenni Breems and her team utilize *InfoLit – Core* to instill strong information literacy and research skills in their students. Using *InfoLit – Core*'s assessment and reporting tools, they are able to show the value of library instruction to faculty and administrators.

The challenges of demonstrating the value of IL instruction In 2014, in an effort to expand its information literacy instruction program, the library subscribed to *InfoLit – Core*. Prior to investing in *InfoLit – Core* and utilizing its analytics tool, Credo Insights, the library had not been able to collect empirical data to help promote the value of information literacy instruction to the faculty.
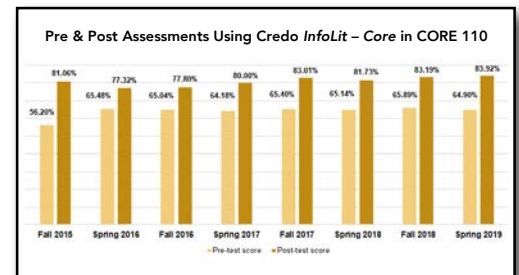
Utilizing platform features to support student and faculty needs

Since integrating *InfoLit – Core* into the CORE curriculum and introductory communications class (CORE 110), librarians have been able to show a 24% improvement from pre- to post-test assessments. Librarians have embedded *InfoLit – Core*'s materials into their learning management system, Canvas, and faculty can use as needed. They also can provide links to relevant *InfoLit – Core* content, which faculty can easily add to their course pages or include in classroom instruction.

Through faculty collaboration in the CORE 110 and the pre- and post-test assessments, Breems and her team are able to continue to show the value of IL instruction and *InfoLit – Core* on campus.

> " I appreciate [*InfoLit – Core*'s] high-quality videos and tutorials as well as Credo's regular updates, keeping the content fresh and up- to-date."
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> — *Jenni Breems, Director of Library Services*

Pre & Post Assessments Using Credo *InfoLit – Core* in CORE 110

ABOUT DORDT UNIVERSITY

- Private, Christian, liberal arts university
- Located in Sioux Center, Iowa
- Enrollment: 1,534

ABOUT JENNI BREEMS

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ABOUT *INFOLIT – CORE*

InfoLit – Core offers standards-aligned videos, tutorials, and assessment tools for librarians teaching foundational skills like information literacy and critical thinking. Use *InfoLit – Core* in class, online, or embedded within learning management systems, LibGuides, or websites.