Reading Habits among Library and Information Science Students of Annamalai University: A Survey

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ABSTRACT A modern saying says “Today’s Readers are tomorrow’s Leader”. One should read books and other materials to acquire knowledge. Unless one reads and get in touch with the mass media, it is difficult to know what is going around us. Not only that, a student has to read books, other than his text books, so that the area of thinking and acting will become broader. ‘Reading to learn’ is an essential tool for life-long learning. Promoting a reading culture among students is therefore one of the key tasks in the curriculum reform with the aim to strengthen students’ learning capabilities. Reading can definitely be taken as the first button in the garment education. It is not the sole object of school, but it is almost impossible to think of education without thinking about what happens and what is implied when a human being tries to get meaning out of the written or printed symbols. The results of the study indicated that majority of the LIS students (79.53 %) are interested in reading LIS course material frequently. The result show that the students overall responded that work most often interfered with their reading and studying.