

LIB2024 Innovation Report

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Entering the library field with an understanding of basic coding concepts will help us perform our jobs as reference librarians. Computer Engineering is a popular field in Ottawa and having some familiarity with the field will better enable us to help patrons working in the field with research questions. It gives us the basic understanding to ask them more questions and send us on our way to do some research for them, or to point them towards resources to help.

Having basic HTML, CSS and JavaScript skills can be useful in smaller libraries that oversee their own websites or create their own visitor surveys so we might be able to go in to edit information on the screen ourselves instead of needing to outsource. It is also a good beginning step to get into database building as information managers and continue schooling for further coding knowledge.

GitHub could be applicable more as a DropBox type set up to shared perhaps inter-library loan forms and tracking inventory updates. The ability to see the branch edits before committing to the main will help to confirm proper information has been added and better control the final version.