Mission / Purpose
The Earl K. Long Library is an essential partner in the learning, research, and service mission of the University. The Library unites knowledgeable staff, scholarly information, welcoming spaces, and leading-edge technology to inspire learning and enable information literacy and research. It enriches the campus and Greater New Orleans community by preserving and disseminating the local culture and the scholarly and creative output of the University. Its highly skilled staff encourages innovation, capitalizes on appropriate technologies, forges effective partnerships, and strives for excellence.

Goals
G 1: Collections, resources, and services
Provide relevant and adequate collections, resources, and services that support the learning, teaching, and research needs of undergraduate and graduate students and faculty.

G 2: Information Literacy
Improve and increase information literacy instruction within the undergraduate and graduate curriculum to insure that graduates can successfully locate, use, and evaluate information in their professional and personal lives.

G 3: Learning Spaces
Create a welcoming, attractive, functional, and safe environment in the Library for learning, research, and study.

G 4: Faculty and staff excellence
Recruit and retain quality library faculty and staff who will establish and maintain a reputation for library excellence.

G 5: Scholarly Communication
Showcase and share the scholarly and creative work of faculty and students by providing digital global access to the research productivity of the university.

G 6: Community Outreach
Offer collections, programs, and partnerships that will benefit the university and the community.

G 7: Budget
Demonstrate the value of the Library as an essential partner in the learning, research, and service mission of the University by securing adequate funding for staffing, services, collections, and facilities.

Student Learning Outcomes/Objectives, with Any Associations and Related Measures, Targets, Findings, and Action Plans
SLO 4: Information Literacy-NSSE & ETS
Students indicate that they frequently use information resources in a variety of ways in their coursework and that library resources and staff are important for their learning.

SLO 5: Information Literacy-rubric
Students demonstrate an effective use of information literacy skills and technology to attain credible information for a specific purpose.

Other Outcomes/Objectives, with Any Associations and Related Measures, Targets, Findings, and Action Plans
O/O 1: Adequacy of collections and services
External accrediting agencies judge that the Library resources and services adequately support the programs under evaluation.

O/O 2: Library Resources-Awareness
Students and faculty are aware of library services and resources.

O/O 3: Library resources and services-coursework
Students discover the appropriate library resources needed for their coursework.

O/O 6: Learning Spaces - navigation
Users can navigate the physical library space independently to find what they need.

O/O 7: Learning Spaces-Technology
Students are satisfied with the quantity and type of technology available to them in the Library.

O/O 8: University Research Productivity-Faculty
Faculty members choose to deposit their scholarly research and creative work in ScholarWorks, the Library's institutional repository.

O/O 9: University Research Productivity-Data management plans
University researchers contribute data and/or data management plans to the Library's institutional repository.

O/O 10: University Research Productivity-Students
Students will contribute scholarly and creative work to the university’s institutional repository.

O/O 11: Quality of Faculty
Library faculty have the necessary skills, training and professional accomplishments to effectively support the teaching, research, study, and service needs of the university.

O/O 12: Quality of Staff
Library staff have the necessary skills and training to effectively support the teaching, research, study and service needs of the university.

O/O 13: Community Outreach - Louisiana Digital Library
Researchers and other interested parties around the world will be able to access the Library’s major Louisiana and Special Collections through the Louisiana Digital Library.

O/O 14: Community Outreach - Louisiana & Special Collections
Louisiana and Special Collections is viewed as a valuable resource by the university and by the community.

O/O 15: Community Outreach - Friends
The Library will partner with the Friends of the Library to present programs that draw community participation.

O/O 16: Budget funding
The funding from the university for library resources, services, operations, and staffing is adequate for a public institution of this size and scope.

O/O 17: Budget-Fund Raising
The Library uses creative and effective fund raising, in cooperation with University Advancement, the Friends of the Library, and other partners, in order to provide additional sources of funding through individual giving and other development initiatives.

O/O 18: Budget-Grants
The Library will actively search for grant opportunities that match our needs and capabilities in order to provide additional sources of funding.