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Did you notice or answer the brief survey that was embedded in Health Information @ Himmelfarb (HI@H) earlier this spring? Over 1,300 users answered the survey. Thank you if you were one of them! Health Information @ Himmelfarb is the Library’s one stop discovery service, allowing simultaneous searching across many of Himmelfarb’s electronic resources and catalog records, and easy access to fulltext content.

The survey results show that your students find HI@H an excellent tool to help them with their research. Here’s a summary of the survey findings:

TIP OF THE MONTH

Are you incorporating "Active Learning" in your curriculum or thinking about developing a "flipped classroom" next semester? Himmelfarb's Active Learning Resources - What is a flipped classroom? guide provides faculty with the information about hardware and software available to help with designing a 'flipped classroom.'

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The majority of Health Information @ Himmelfarb users are graduate students. Medical students had their own category, and their reported use of the system was lower. Faculty, staff, and residents use it much less than students do.

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Use of the service was spread pretty evenly across the three schools that Himmelfarb Library serves.

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Given that students are the primary users, it's not surprising that HI@H is used mostly for school work. It is used some for research, but much less for patient care.

In the fall of 2015 another survey is planned to determine satisfaction with the service. Librarians will also include follow up questions to learn more about findings this spring.