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Introduction

The University of British Columbia Library is a leading institution in North America and a member of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL). The Library has 21 branches and divisions, including a biomedical branch at Vancouver General Hospital and on the UBC Okanagan campus in Kelowna.

The Library's collections are large and diverse, attracting researchers from around the world and contributing significantly to establishing UBC as a leading academic institution.

Our collections include:

- Over 5.5 million physical items
- More than 2.8 million e-books
- Access to more than 440,000 serial titles

UBC Library also has the largest biomedical collection in Western Canada and one of the largest collections of Asian language materials in the country. The Rare Books and Special Collections holds the largest store of print and manuscript materials about BC and extensive holdings on Canadian and Pacific history and exploration. UBC Library is a depository library for publications of the governments of BC, Canada and Japan.

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Library Website

The UBC Library website (<http://www.library.ubc.ca>) provides information about the Library and its services, and is a link to a world of scholarly information.

Via the website, students have access to a wide range of information and services, including:

1. connection to the Library's catalogue of books, journals, videos, pamphlets, and sound recordings
2. access to online indexes and research databases, electronic journals and texts, government publications, and statistical sources
3. access to a growing array of locally-produced digital collections
4. connection to other libraries in BC and around the world

Computer Facilities

There are over 450 workstations available in the UBC libraries. PC Workstations are equipped with MS Office software and several branches have Mac workstations with a suite of multimedia applications (Adobe Creative Cloud). UBC Pay for Print allows printing, copying and scanning across campus using a UBC Card and print jobs can be submitted online. Laptops and other equipment (<http://services.library.ubc.ca/computers-technology/technology-borrowing>) such as phone chargers, cameras and projectors are also available for loan.



Services

Services > Reference and Information

Reference and information staff are available for consultation on information resources relevant to the various disciplines supported by the University. Staff may be contacted in person, by telephone, by email, or via the virtual AskAway service.

Subject specialists provide in-depth assistance with searching for relevant library materials, advice on researching term papers, theses, or dissertations, getting started with research projects, and instruction in using electronic resources. Reference staff work closely with faculty members to ensure that the Library offers appropriate and relevant research assistance and instruction. The Library also publishes a map of Library branches on campus as well as guides to its resources, services, and the physical layout of individual Library branches.

Services > Library Instruction

UBC Library's Instruction program provides training at all levels on getting the most from electronic and print information sources. Classes cover topics such as the essentials of navigating the UBC Library website, subject-specific research skills, using databases to find journal articles and specialized information, and finding relevant research materials beyond UBC's collections. The program features hands-on workshops, self-paced online tutorials, and instructional sessions for credit courses, both during and outside class time.

Services > The Irving K. Barber Learning Centre at UBC

The Irving K. Barber Learning Centre (<http://www.ikebarberlearningcentre.ubc.ca>) at UBC (Point Grey) is a learning, teaching, and research support facility providing access to information resources, technology, and programs and services for the UBC community and beyond. It also has a special focus to engage with community partners in support sustainable community development and lifelong learning.

The Learning Centre houses library collections and services including the Music, Art and Architecture Library, Rare Books and Special Collections, and University Archives. A variety of group and individual study spaces are available, in addition to classrooms and Ike's Café. The Learning Centre is home to student and faculty support services including the Chapman Learning Commons and the Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology. The Learning Centre also provides access to collections located in the Automated Storage and Retrieval System (ASRS).

The Learning Centre features 250,000 square feet of new and renovated space, incorporating classrooms, lecture halls, academic units, and library services resources.

Academic units located in the Learning Centre include the Arts One, Science One, Coordinated Arts, Coordinated Science, and the UBC iSchool (<http://ischool.ubc.ca/>)

The Learning Centre has been funded by UBC and the Province of British Columbia, and by a major donation from distinguished UBC alumnus, Irving K. Barber.

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Services > The Chapman Learning Commons



The Chapman Learning Commons (<http://www.learningcommons.ubc.ca>), located in the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre, provides tutoring, writing assistance, peer academic coaching, learning technology support, Mac multimedia workstations and an extensive equipment lending program. Friendly student staff are available to answer your questions and help you navigate the wealth of resources UBC offers to support your academic success.

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Services > People with Disabilities

Students, faculty, and staff with mobility or print disabilities may obtain Enhanced Services designation. This designation is obtained by contacting a UBC Disability Diversity Advisor from UBC's Disability Resource Centre. People with this designation are entitled to book and journal retrieval, browsing assistance, catalogue assistance, and photocopying by library staff at the with a UBC or guest print/copy card provided by the patron.

For information about services, contact Centre for Accessibility (<http://students.ubc.ca/about/access>), 604.822.5844 (voice), or 604.822.9049 (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf).

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Services > Distance Education Students

UBC Library provides services to UBC students who are living at a distance from the campus and taking credit distance education courses or completing some other UBC degree requirement. Library staff locate and send library materials (fees may be charged for this service) and provide other assistance needed to complete research assignments. Please see the Distance Education Students Guide (<http://services.library.ubc.ca/user-guides/distance-education-students/>).

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Services > Interlibrary Loan

Materials not available at UBC can be obtained from other institutions through the Library's Interlibrary Loan service (<http://www.library.ubc.ca/rss>). For UBC students there is usually no fee for obtaining the materials. If fees need to be charged, the user will be contacted first.

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Services > Order/Delivery Services

Several document delivery services are available to students, faculty, and staff. Through UBC Library's own services, books, articles, and other materials in the Library's collection can be arranged for either physical or electronic pick up. Terms and conditions apply. Fees are charged for some transactions.

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Services > UBCCard/Library Card

The UBCCard (<http://www.ubccard.ubc.ca>) is the University's official student identification card, and is also the student Library card. UBCCards are issued at the UBC Carding Office, located in UBC Bookstore, throughout the academic year. The card is valid for up to four years. Library privileges are valid for students registered for the current academic year.



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Libraries and Collections

Libraries and Collections > Asian Library

The Asian Library is a hub of scholarship, learning, and connections, where research meets community. A renewal plan is underway to reinvent the library space and services to meet the needs of students, faculty, and the broader community. Holdings are in ten languages: Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi, Sanskrit, Tibetan, Indonesian, and Persian. The crown jewels of the collection are the renowned Chinese and Japanese rare books. The Asian Library shares its unique resources by participating in digitization projects and welcoming scholars from around the world.

The Asian Library is located in the Asian Centre, 1871 West Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > David Lam Library and Canaccord Learning Commons

The David Lam Management Research Library offers services and collections for research in business management and administration, including: accounting, collective bargaining, finance, marketing, international trade, and urban land economics.

In addition to its extensive online and print collection of business resources, the library is also a partner in the Canaccord Learning Commons, a facility that provides co-curricular learning spaces, programs, and services to UBC Sauder School of Business students.

The David Lam Library and Canaccord Learning Commons is located on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the David Lam Management Research Centre, 2033 Main Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > Education Library

The Education Library's collection serves as a foundation for teaching and research in the Faculty of Education. The collection is comprised of books, journals, and multimedia dealing with teaching strategies, curriculum evaluation, educational technology and research in education, as well as children and young adult books, school textbooks, and multimedia for K-12. A high priority is placed on materials that reflect Canadian content and approaches and materials pertaining to BC Education including French language learning resources. In addition, there are historical textbooks and a Canadian Children's Book Centre regional collection. Research and finding aids for teacher candidates, graduate students, and faculty are available online through the Branch website (<http://education.library.ubc.ca>)

The Education Library is located on the main floor of the Neville Scarfe building, 2125 Main Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > Music, Art and Architecture Library

The Music, Art and Architecture (MAA) Library supports the research and teaching needs of the School of Music, the Department of Art History, Visual Art, and Theory, the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, and the School of Community and Regional Planning.



The collection includes books, journals, *catalogues raisonné*, musical scores, sound recordings in multiple formats, exhibition catalogues, article indexes, image databases, and much more. Listening equipment includes CD players, turntables to play LP recordings, and cassette players. The Digital Media Commons in the MAA Library features bookable rooms with display screens, Blu-Ray players, and other equipment for viewing and listening to different media. In addition, there are cabinets of files (with ephemera and other materials) with an emphasis on Canadian art, architecture, and community and regional planning in Vancouver and beyond.

The Music, Art and Architecture Library is located on levels 3 and 4 of the north wing of the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre.

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Libraries and Collections > Law Library

The Law Library supports the study, reference, and research needs of the students and faculty of the Faculty of Law, and other members of the University community. Its extensive print research collection is supplemented by electronic books, journals, indexes, and databases. Primary and secondary legal materials are acquired from major common law jurisdictions of the world: Canada, US, UK, Australia, New Zealand, as well as materials from other selected jurisdictions such as the European Community and the Pacific Rim. A specialized Asian law collection comprises resources in English and in the vernacular.

The Law Library is located in Allard Hall, 1822 East Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > Rare Books and Special Collections

Rare Books and Special Collections (RBSC) houses outstanding research collections of rare books, pamphlets, photographs, archival research materials, historic maps and charts, and fire insurance plans and realia. The main area of specialization is British Columbia. Other major collections include: pre-Confederation Canadiana, Pacific and Arctic exploration, books about the people of BC, the fur trade, Canadian literature, pre-1900 Canadian travel literature, the Chinese in British Columbia, the Canadian Pacific Railway and steamship system, English 19th Century literature, Canadian, English, and American children's literature, the sports of golf and croquet, the history of cartography and the evolution of the English dictionary. Author collections include Robert Burns, Aldous Huxley, Malcolm Lowry, George Woodcock, and Louis Zukofsky. The William C. Gibson History of Medicine and Science Collection is an outstanding collection of more than 5,000 volumes on the history of medicine and the natural sciences. RBSC's archival collections are particularly strong in British Columbia's fishing, forestry, and mining industries, with important records relating to BC art literature, history, and politics.

Rare Books and Special Collections is located in the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre, 1961 East Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > UBC Okanagan Library

The UBC Okanagan Campus Library offers information and research services to students, faculty, and the local community. To support all undergraduate and graduate programs offered on campus, as well as student and faculty research, our collections include books, journals, and films. The Library also provides an extensive electronic research network of article indexes, journals, e-books, images, and data.

The Library enables students to conduct research in the Library and off campus. The Library website provides access to resources held in all UBC Libraries including the UBC Vancouver campus. Library materials are freely available to students and faculty from



either campus. The interlibrary loan service provides access to additional resources from around the world.

Subject librarians consult with students to develop research strategies and to locate, evaluate, and use information. Librarians also provide workshops in research skills and specialized resources, and consult with faculty to support curriculum development and research endeavours.

The Library provides a variety of spaces and many types of technology to support studying, coursework, and research. Spaces in the Library include student computers and printers, an instructional lab, two silent study rooms, reading lounges, private study carrels, collaborative work spaces, and group project rooms. Laptops, digital cameras, and technology equipment are available for borrowing at no cost. Library hours vary throughout the year. During the term, the Library is open daily and late most evenings.

The Writing and Research Centre offers writing support for all undergraduate students working on any kind of writing assignment for class. Consultants, available via appointments, can assist writers with various stages of the writing process.

The Centre for Scholarly Communications offers one-on-one consultations on written and oral communications, workshops on a wide range of topics and scholarly genres, and communities of practice. This service is available to UBC graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, staff and faculty.

The Innovation Library is located at the Kelowna Branch of the Okanagan Regional Library. It provides access to UBC Library electronic resources for students, faculty and community members, and supports community-based research and service learning.

The Inclusive Technology Lab is a space to use and experiment with assistive technology. There are assistive technology workstations, a distraction-free study space, and an accessible group study space. Assistive technology can also be borrowed from the library.

Students, faculty and staff may use their UBCCard to borrow items for free from both Okanagan and Vancouver campus Libraries. Consult UBCCard for information on obtaining cards.

The UBC Okanagan Library is located at 3333 University Way, Kelowna, BC.

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Libraries and Collections > University Archives

University Archives provides archival and records management services to the UBC community. A repository of paper and electronic documents, photographs, and a/v recordings, the Archives preserves the University's corporate memory. To augment this information, University Archives acquires the private papers of selected faculty members, administrators and alumni, as well as the records of independent student, alumni, and employee organizations. University Archives serves in a public relations capacity by disseminating information about the University to interested individuals and promotes academic research through the provision of reference and other services.

University Archives is located in the Irving K. Barber Learning Centre, 1961 East Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > Walter C. Koerner Library

Koerner Library supports teaching, learning, and research in the humanities and social sciences. Reference help and format specialists (for maps, government publications, data) are available for consultation on both a drop-in and appointment basis.



Koerner houses an extensive print collection of books, journals, maps, and government publications. In addition, it licenses a wide range of electronic journals, books, and databases relevant to the humanities and social sciences. Koerner is also the home of the Library's Research Commons, an emerging constellation of services targeted to graduate students and faculty, which include: thesis and citation formatting support, peer led interdisciplinary research discussions, an extensive instructional program, a data and GIS lab, copyright services and support, and assistance getting research published in cIRcle, the Library's institutional repository. For further information, see the Branch website (koerner.library.ubc.ca/).

The Walter C. Koerner Library is located at 1958 Main Mall.

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Libraries and Collections > Woodward Library

Woodward Library, the UBC Sciences Library, provides services and collections that support research, teaching and learning needs in applied, natural, health, life and physical sciences. Woodward includes materials in atmospheric sciences, biology, botany, chemical and biological engineering, chemistry, civil engineering, dentistry, electrical and environmental engineering, forestry, geology, geophysics, land and food systems, materials science, medicine, mechanical and mining engineering, nursing, nutrition, oceanography, paleontology, pharmaceutical sciences, physics, pulp and paper, transportation, wood sciences, zoology, and related fields, and houses the largest biomedical collection in western Canada.

Woodward Library is located at 2198 Health Sciences Mall.

For further information, see the Branch website.

Biomedical Branch Library

The Biomedical Branch Library at Gordon and Leslie Diamond Health Care Centre, located off-campus at 2775 Laurel Street, Floor 2, serves students, faculty and researchers affiliated with the UBC Faculty of Medicine and allied health professions. For further information, see the Branch website.

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Libraries and Collections > Xwi7xwa Library

The First Nations House of Learning (FNHL) Xwi7xwa Library is the newest branch of the UBC Library. Its collections focus on Aboriginal academic and community scholarship with an emphasis on British Columbia as well as national and international Indigenous issues. Its services support the FNHL mandate to make the University's vast resources more accessible to Aboriginal peoples through providing one-to-one and classroom instruction, customized web resources, Indigenized metadata, participation in social media, and interpretation of the many collections of Aboriginal materials held by the UBC Library for all learners.

Xwi7xwa Library is located at 1985 West Mall.

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