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Virtual Library News

No time? Here's what you can do with 10 spare minutes or less

The Dallas Campus Library has a lot to offer students, staff and faculty. If you have up to 10 minutes to spare, you can use our resources to:

- **Check out a laptop.** Laptops can be checked out for 3 hours of on-campus use. Bring your student ID!
- **Request materials from the Denton campus.** If you have no classes in Denton, then books, DVDs, even dissertations can be requested and will arrive by courier at the Dallas library or even delivered to your home! All you have to do is visit the library web page at www.unt.edu/unt-dallas/library.htm, scroll down to the link

"Requesting Materials from Denton" and scroll down to the Iliad link. Make sure to register as a distance learner.

- Employ our **Career Development Resources** to find your ideal career path. The library has lots of books to aid you in finding jobs. Flyers on specific careers also are available.
- **Find an article about a new topic.** All you have to do is type in a word or two into a database and a whole new world of information will unfold.
- **Learn about resources** specific to your major

with one of our study guides

- **Obtain a TexShare card.** They are free and they give you access to many other libraries in Texas. Just ask at the library.
- **Relax** before or after class in the quiet atmosphere. We have more than one overstuffed easy chair. We have newspapers. We have books. Sit a spell!
- **Read the library blog** at: untddlbrary.blogspot.com
- **Access materials** that your professor has reserved
- **Find a book** in the online catalog

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Full-service **Virtual Library** Get help with research **Find** sources to cite for papers **Find** journal articles **Learn** how to search. **The library** can help you sort it all out and make information much more clear.

Requesting materials from Denton? It just got faster

Requesting books and movies from the UNT Libraries in Denton just got better.

Why? It's faster.

The once-a-week service that carries materials from Denton to UNT Dallas is now a twice-a-week service.

Materials ordered from UNT Libraries are now dropped off at

the UNT Dallas virtual library on Tuesdays and Fridays.

That means you'll get faster service when you order materials through Iliad, the online request form that allows you to check out materials from UNT Denton.

What's an Iliad? It's a free account that allows students to

receive free deliveries of library materials. The service is available only to "distance learners" or, in other words, students who do not take classes in Denton.

To set up an account, go to the UNT Dallas library services Web page and click on Requesting Materials from Denton.

The library now has one study room. Please make reservations by calling the library or dropping by.

The databases

Here at the library, we have materials students can use for their research online in databases as well as in print. UNT's Electronic Resources provide students with access to journal, newspaper and magazines articles, book chapters, dissertations and research reports.

Because we have so many databases available for your use, the library staff has created lists that specify the most utilized databases for each major. We

also offer personal instruction on how to use the databases and provide assistance when a student gets stuck.

The databases are places through which a student can search with a term and find abstracts or full-text articles relating to that term.

We recommend that students start their database usage with EBSCOhost because it is very user-friendly. When searching with EBSCO, a student can

choose the specific database in which to search. Academic Search Complete is a good starting point for most research because it covers many different topics. Always ask your professor whether he requires the articles to be peer-reviewed or scholarly because you can tailor your search by selecting only scholarly reviewed items.

Remember: The library staff is eager to assist you in learning to use the databases.

"A University is just a group of buildings gathered around a library."

-Shelby Foote



E-Books

Have you ever wanted to read a book online? UNT students have access to books online through NetLibrary, Safari Tech Books Online, Early English Books Online and Gale Virtual Reference Library on the Electronic Resources page.

Students can use e-books with remote access to the Electronic

Resources with their EUID. Using the EUID opens the UNT e-book collection and allows the student to view the whole book.

E-books are useful for research because they enable a reader to search the entire text of a book with a search box instead of scanning the whole text manually. They also provide the stu-

dent with a dictionary and encyclopedia on the same page to look up new words and concepts.

With a free account on NetLibrary, a student can save an e-book to their favorites so that they do not need to search for it again. An account also lets a student save notes about the book.

TexShare Lets You Check It Out

Free TexShare cards let you check out books at many public and university libraries.

With TexShare, you can visit a Dallas Public Library, for instance, and checkout books, even if you don't have a Dallas Public Library Card.

Any current UNT student, staff or faculty member may request a TexShare card by stop-

ping in at the UNT Dallas virtual library.

Please bring your university ID card and your ID number. TexShare cards expire at the end of each semester. They are easy to renew, so stop by if you want access to the wealth of information available at nearby libraries.

We did mention that TexShare

cards are free, didn't we?

What's at other libraries? Just check WorldCat from the UNT Dallas Library Services page under electronic resources. Click the "W" and scroll down to WorldCat. Then search for the book or other material. WorldCat will show you what libraries hold the very thing you seek.

Meet the new student assistant in the UNTD virtual library



Sarah Maddaford of Arlington is the newest student assistant at the UNT Dallas virtual library.

Sarah is pursuing a master's of library science degree from UNT, and she plans on graduating in December 2010.

Sarah's undergraduate degree from the University of Texas is in linguistics.

Her father is an engineer with an airplane company and her mother is a counselor for a school district. She has a younger sister starting at UNT this fall as a PhD candidate.

Sarah wants a career that includes information and books. As part of her master of library science degree, Sarah is studying for a certificate in management and is tailoring her classes for young adult librarianship. She hopes to work for a public library and is particularly in-

terested in reference services and young adult services.

The virtual library offers students in the UNT library science master's program an opportunity to gain on-the-job experience in reference, library instruction and the other basic functions of an academic library.

"A virtual library provides information to patrons through all sorts of mediums. I like having the collection at my finger tips and ready to hand to the student," Sarah says.

Bibliographic instruction

Librarians and student assistants from the UNT Dallas virtual library will come into classes to instruct students about library resources relevant to upcoming

assignments.

Students can also step into the library for coaching on how to do research. No need for an appointment.

Either way, this bibliographic instruction helps students find the best resources for their assignments and helps them become more proficient researchers.

How to use Video on Demand

If your professor requires you to view a video for class, the UNT library has many of them online through Video on Demand.

A student accesses Video on Demand from the UNT Library Catalog. The catalog is linked from the Dallas Campus Library Services page as well as the Denton page.

You click on the Subject tab after the Catalog opens and enter "Online Media" in the search box. This results in a list of videos available through UNT. Click on the title of the video that you need to watch to find out more information.

To watch the video click on "Connect to UNT Libraries' Video on Demand." You will need your

EUID and password to watch videos. You also need to have the latest version of Real Player installed on your computer in order to view the video. Click on the title of the film and then enjoy.

If the video is not available online, you may be able to check it out from the library.

"As a general rule, the most successful man is the man who has the best information."

-Benjamin Disraeli



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Library Hours

M-Th: 8am-10pm

Fri: 8am-6pm

Sat: 9am-5pm

Sun: Closed

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Unlock the Mysteries of the Hidden Word

Library research doesn't have to be puzzling. We are here to coach you through your research. If you need a break, try matching your wits against this classic word search puzzle.

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Search vertically, horizontally and diagonally for the following words: library, research, virtual, journals, scholarly, databases, laptops, headsets, videos, books

