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Support for Research

The research landscape is ever changing. In recognition of this, the Library has allocated funds to support new areas of research. If your research is in a new or developing area, and you would like the Library collection in this area to be stronger, please contact your Faculty Outreach Librarian who will commence the necessary work to make the appropriate acquisitions.

Early Career Research Sessions

At the request of the Research Strategy Office, the UNSW Library ran two sessions in April for Early Career Researchers. These sessions described the process of publishing from a publisher's perspective. Participants learnt about citation indexes, how to use them effectively, and how to publish to maximise impact. The sessions gave participants a better understanding of where to publish and how to monitor research output measures. Please contact your Outreach Librarian if you wish to organise a similar session within your school or faculty.

HBR links have been reactivated

In late March Harvard Business Review moved to change UNSW's existing licence arrangements with them. As a consequence the existing links to Harvard Business Review (HBR) via MyCourse were suppressed. Online access to these HBR articles has now been restored via MyCourse.

Copyright session

As a teaching academic are you unsure of what you can copy for your courses? Come to a Copyright and Teaching Information Session and learn more about this and other copyright issues. Do you need to get permission to copy? How much of a book or journal can you copy? What can you use from radio or TV broadcasts? Who can have access to copyright materials placed online for courses?

The session will be led by Debbie Gibson (Head, Policy Management Unit) and Andrew Wells (University Librarian). Sessions will be held on Wednesday 14 May, CLB3 1-2 pm and Thursday 22 May, Electrical Engineering G25 1-2 pm

ELISE

ELISE completion rates are rising.

	March 10th	March 31st	April 14th	April 28th
Cohort	6,639	6,639	6,685	6,685
Total attempts	533	2,610	4,826	5,872
Pass	462	2,304	4,473	5,652
Fail	71	306	353	220
% of cohort passed	6.96	34.70	66.91	84.55
% of attempts failed	13.32	11.72	7.31	3.75
ELISE Survey response		612	1,778	2,372
% response to survey		23.45	36.84	40.40

An email will be sent to all Presiding Members indicating the names of students within each faculty that have failed to successfully complete the ELISE quiz. The number of affected students per faculty are listed below.

ASB	COFA	Engineering	FASS	FBE	Law	Medicine	Science
154	99	119	174	73	20	17	87

Please note that students who fail to successfully complete the ELISE quiz will not be able to enrol in S2. The Library will make support available to all students who have yet to successfully complete ELISE. These students will be contacted with session details. A survey was attached to the ELISE quiz and 40% of the students have responded to this. Responses will be analysed and a high level summary of these results will be provided in a Library Update.

Some interesting Stats for March 2008

Library web pages visited in March	1,259,821
Number of people in the Library in March	184,382
Most popular database – Academic Research Library	42,899 searches
Most popular electronic journal - The Lancet	1,498 hits
Number of ELISE successful completions ytd	2,304
MyCourse loans for this month	3,160
% of Library computers in use at 1pm	96%

New For Business students

The Library has launched the new subject guide for Business. [Business LibGuide](#)

This represents a new and dynamic way of providing discipline related information to our users which will:

- Provide a single place on the Library web site to access subject specific content
- Provide an online self-service tool for undergraduate students.
- Provide 'at point of need' access to online information skills training.

Guides for other disciplines will be rolled out over the coming months.

Product Information

Legal Periodicals Retrospective: 1908-1981

[Legal Periodicals Retrospective: 1908-1981](#) indexes over 750 legal periodicals published in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, Australia and New Zealand. Annual surveys of the laws of a jurisdiction, annual surveys of the federal courts, yearbooks, annual institutes, and annual reviews of the work in a given field or on a given topic is also covered.

OncologySTAT

[OncologySTAT](#) provides a variety of evidence-based professional cancer information resources and features, including news, blogs and webinars and access to professional drug and interaction databases and journals.

GreenFILE

[GreenFILE](#) offers well-researched information covering all aspects of human impact on the environment. Its collection of scholarly, government and general-interest titles includes content on global warming, green building, pollution, sustainable agriculture, renewable energy, recycling, and more. The database provides indexing and abstracts for approximately 295,000 records, as well as Open Access full text for more than 4,600 records.

FLUIDEX

[FLUIDEX](#) is a bibliographic database providing a comprehensive source of information on all aspects of fluids engineering, behaviour and applications. It is an ideal awareness tool for past and current developments in the process and civil engineering worlds. Coverage includes the latest in theoretical fluid dynamics research, innovative separation techniques, wind loading on offshore platforms, and the application and operation of hydraulic and pneumatic technologies.

Building Code of Australia

The University Library is providing access to the [Building Code of Australia plus Standards](#) via the SAI Global platform.

The Building Code of Australia (BCA) provides essential technical regulations for the design and construction of buildings and establishes a uniform approach to building regulation in every State and Territory in the country.

The BCA is developed by the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) for the Commonwealth, State and Territory Governments. Users can also link to the Australian Standards that are referenced by the ABCB when developing the Code.

JSTOR: Trusted archives for scholarship

The new JSTOR platform was launched this month. New features include limiting searches by discipline, searching within results and journal searching via publishers. A document describing features of the new platform is included in the [JSTOR Sandbox](#). The Sandbox also has links to tutorials and training materials focused on the new JSTOR interface. In addition, a list of newly scheduled webinars appears at the end of this announcement, with links to online registration.

If you require further information on any of the items listed above, or in regards to any library service, please feel free to contact me at any time at l.bosanquet@unsw.edu.au or on x52678