VTLS CHAMO DISCOVERY – a new online catalog

BUiD Library includes over 15,000 volumes of print books and is rapidly growing in collection including those purchased e-book titles directly link with the platform. To improve the discovery process within the online public access catalog (OPAC), we have introduced the new social web catalog – CHAMO DISCOVERY.

Chamo allows the users the type of self-service capabilities to expect through the web. Here are some of the benefits of the new online catalog.

- Provides powerful search functionalities to allow browsing and narrowing of results
- Users are guided with suggested search terms as well as the ability to do complex searching using the Advanced search option
- An improved interface when renewing items online
- There is an added feature if users want to request an item for purchase
- Using ‘My Lists’ where users can create a list, save it in a permanent file in their account and return to view it at any time
- RSS Updates where users can subscribe to an RSS feed of frequently changing content and receives updates when content changes
- The ability to view copies available to renew or to requests online
What’s New?

Online Resources

**Emerald databases**
Emerald 175 - This database provides full-text of articles from 175 ejournals covering management, marketing, business, finance, and engineering.

Emerging Market Case Studies - This collection includes peer-reviewed case studies focusing on business decision making and management development throughout key global emerging markets.

**Sage Journals**
The Sage Humanities and Social Sciences package includes full-text access to 526 journals in the humanities and social sciences fields, including leading international peer-reviewed titles many of which are ranked in the Thomson Scientific Journal Citation Reports®.

**Westlaw UK**
Westlaw UK is one of the leading online legal research services providing access to cases, legislation, journals, books online, news and EU materials.

**International Construction Law Review (ICLR) on i-law**
ICLR on i-law gives a comprehensive articles offering in-depth and incisive analysis of the key developments in construction law around the globe. The analysis helps you identify the legal factors impacting your business, and keep pace with the changing law in jurisdictions globally.

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**Update**

**The Learning Centre and Writing Centre**
The Learning Centre (TLC) and The Writing Centre (TWC) has now separate rooms. These are the two rooms opposite the library.

TLC has 3 study rooms. The study rooms can be booked for group study. For more details, please visit the library website @ http://library.buid.ac.ae.

TWC is supervised by Academic Success Unit for individual support. To book for appointment, email academicsuccess@buid.ac.ae.

**Study Zone**
LRC have set up a new study zone inside the library. This area has 14 cubicles which is convenient for individual study.

**Video Tutorials**
LRC have started using video tutorials to show simple steps on accessing our databases and iPortal.

1. How to renew books online
2. Finding resources using the One Search Tool

**Watch out for more...**

Library Projects for AY 2014-2015
- Embedding online library resources into Blackboard
- Link resolver to open resources
- eBook Pilot
- Textbook exchange
My Library Account

My Library account is a facility to access a record of your library transactions. You can also use this account to renew loaned books online. Below are simple steps on how to do online renewal.

Step 1: Click on My Library Account
Step 2: Enter your library login details
Step 3: Click My Account
Step 4: Select item for renewal and Click Renew

**NOTE:** Your Library account is different from your Blackboard account.
Meet our new IT staff

I’m Andres, the new IT Technician from Philippines. I earned my Bachelor’s Degree in Information Management at Xavier University, Ateneo de Cagayan, Philippines. I am relatively new here in Dubai, came here around May 2014. I’m enjoying my work here at BUiD, and still on my learning stages with the culture, climate, and lifestyle but I think I’m doing fine. BUiD Staff are one of the most friendly, accommodating group of professionals and I’m proud to be working alongside with them.

Welcome to BUiD, Andres!
Teaching Kids to Think Critically
by Dr Clifton Chadwick

This book is based on a simple series of psychological concepts. While ability to think has always been important, the knowledge economy significantly increases the demand for higher order thinking and problem-solving abilities. Parents should take a much more active role in teaching their children to think. Early preschool years are critical because long-term attitudes and early strategies are learned then. Approaches and perspectives on learning to think can be clearly communicated to parents in ways which will make it possible for them to use the correct strategies to stimulate their students to think more clearly and critically.

There are five elements involved in good, logical, critical, and creative thinking:
1. The skills involved in effective, efficient, and lasting learning, or commonly referred to as cognitive processing strategies
2. The mastery of logic and structure of what is being learned
3. Awareness of what one knows and does not know, and how one knows and how one thinks
4. The standards or guidelines for the validity and reliability of what one knows, called intellectual standards
5. The knowledge and skills involved in critical thinking and solving problems in different subjects or domains

The Evolving Engagement Strategy
By Dr Tamer Elewa

In today’s world, several multinational organizations focus on employee engagement as one of their key objectives. While organizations invest a lot on engagement measurement and set global strategies to achieve higher levels of engagement, several executives challenge the effectiveness of the measurement tools and question if global strategies succeed in addressing the local engagement needs. What is employee engagement all about? Are global solutions credible enough to be applied in the Middle East? Are universal solutions possible? And are solutions “time-proof”? Why do HR and Business leaders just follow the status quo when dealing with employee engagement? Why do leaders just simply “buy” off-the-shelf engagement surveys without asking themselves if the results will be valid? Is it worth the investment? This book combines the academic work as well as practitioners' experience and presents a solution to HR and business strategists on how to globalize engagement, while maintaining local sense.
October as Library Month

Schedule of Activities

1 – 11 October  “Library Awareness”
Event: Mini training sessions
Suitable for: All students
This is an all week opportunity for students to drop by to the Library to help you with any concerns in finding the information. Students can come in any day they prefer from 5.00 – 9.00 to meet with the Librarian.

11 – 23 October  “Exploring Databases”

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26 – 29 October  “UK Partner Registration Week”
This is an all week training sessions to learn how to access electronic resources via their UK partner university. The schedule is to be confirmed once the registration is ready provided by our UK partner universities.
- University of Edinburgh
- Cardiff University
- University of Manchester

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