

Library Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARIAN

Hello everyone,

Welcome to the latest edition of the BUID Library's Newsletter. Welcome new and returning BUID students! Our library staff is here to help. If I can be of help, my office is always open.

Your Library has improved a lot over the last two years and continues to improve. Last January 2013, we have implemented a one search tool that allows the user to search across all our resources—print books, e-books, journals. One bit of good news this September is our institutional repository goes live! This includes all BUID dissertations accessible online. As we are working to improve the collection we are open to your suggestions, feel free to tell us through our online feedback form available on the Library website.

Good Luck to all.

Marisol S Leonen,

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BSpace goes online

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BSpace is the online institutional repository of the British University in Dubai and includes full-text of more than 300 Masteral Dissertations created by BUiD graduated students. The collections are organized by Faculty enabling easy retrieval.

- ♦ Faculty of Business
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Engineering and Informatics

Bspace can be accessed from the library website http://library.buid.ac.ae/ by selecting BSpace from the search tool. The searches can be made using author, title, subject and keyword entries.

Bspace runs on 'Dspace' which is an open resource software used by many universities for building open digital repositories. It is an online digital archive to preserve, store and provide access to all types of digital content. It was developed as a joint effort between developers from The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Hewlett-Packard Labs.

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Library on Blackboard

More Instructional guides on using the library and its resources are now available in Blackboard.

You can find here additional resources and tips that may be helpful in your research projects like the Article Bank wherein you can download full text of articles. Links to Free Online Resources are also provided.

From your BB homepage, look for "Library and Learning Resources" as one of your courses. If you are unable to see it contact the Library Helpdesk.



Library services to BUiD Alumni



The library will continue to provide its services to BUiD Alumni. We would like to welcome all BUiD alumni to use the library services by registering as a member. The services include borrowing privileges, on-site access to databases and library skills training on request.

Keep Connected!!! For more information, visit the library website http://library.buid.ac.ae



Library induction

for September new intake

A face-to-face Library induction is set on

WHEN: Saturday, 21st September 2013

TIME: 2.30 - 3.30 pm

WHERE: Digital Design Lab (beside the Library)

Get the chance to know the resources and services available to you! Confirm your attendance now by registering online. An invitation email was sent for the new intake to register.

SEARCH TIP:



Do you know the required text for your module?

Here is a simple way to find what text is required for your module and be the first one to get a copy!

- On the Library Homepage, click 'Course Reserve' tab.
- Enter the module code or the instructor name—if you don't know the code, check the timetable on the BUID website
- You will be directed to the course reserve page to view required text for a specific module.

This month-long celebration will include awareness of the new developments, new services and new resources provided by the Library. Some of the activities includes:

- ⇒ Awareness on How to Use the Library
- ⇒ Workshops and training for databases
- ⇒ Individual mini training sessions
- ⇒ Book sale
- ⇒ Feedback corner

A schedule for the workshop will be posted in BB and notice boards.

SEE YOU SOON AT THE WORKSHOPS!!!

PLUS!!! Suggestions please by 28 September 2013

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FREE Online Resources

JSTOR Register and Read



Register & Read Beta is a new, experimental program to offer free, read-online to individual scholars and researchers who register for a MyJSTOR account.

Sign up for a free MyJSTOR account to access content from more than 75 journals and 40 publishers which will serve as a valuable tool for your research.

For more details on "Register & Read" and the list of the titles and publishers that are available for download visit http://about.jstor.org/rr

Business video collection

The collection includes 55 videos from the Harvard Business School Faculty Seminar Series.



To access Business Videos from Business Source Complete in EBSCOhost:

- ♦ Click the **More** link in the top toolbar in EBSCOhost and select **Business Videos** from the drop-down menu. The Business Videos search screen is displayed.
- ♦ Enter your search terms in the **Find** field and click **Search**.

A PDF version of the lecture text is also available with each video

View the list of business videos at: http://support.epnet.com/

Free via ScienceDirect for the first year!



Water Resources & Economics

Water Resources and Economics addresses the financial and economic dimensions affecting the use of water resources, be it water extraction, pollution or allocation, across different economic sectors like agriculture, energy, industry and urban water supply as well as between local, regional and transboundary river basins.

Water Resources and Economics aims to contribute to the development of advanced integrated hydro-

economic modeling at river basin, national and international scale, water resources valuation, the design and evaluation of water policy instruments, including water markets, and the economics of public water supply, sanitation and waste water treatment in developed and developing regions.

For more information on the journal, visit: http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/22124284



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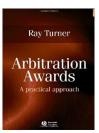
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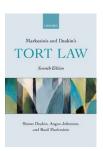
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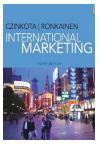
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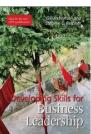
New Titles for Business













And a lot more.... Visit our

New Arrivals section!!!

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Academic Success Unit: Learning, Development & Socialisation

Welcome to all students, whether you are new and joining BUiD for the first time or you are returning students. For the first time since Academic Success Unit started 3 years ago, pre-semester workshops were offered in August 2103. Initially, the workshops were planned as a pre-semester induction package for Doctoral students, but later, it was thought that these may also benefit Masters students and thus were opened to all new and returning students.

The workshops offered were both Referencing Parts 1 and 2, Academic Writing Skills and Writing a Literature Review. These workshops were seen as pertinent in providing students with some of the pre-requisite skills required to begin their individual postgraduate journeys. For instance, many of the students were familiar with using referencing but the workshop demonstrated the techniques required for using the Harvard system and paid particular attention to giving meaning to citation so that students are not just inserting names and dates into their texts without thinking of their role and meaning. The activity on using secondary sources generated some interesting and lively debate on using one author's interpretation of another, and the problems (and advantages) associated with citing such secondary interpretations.

In Academic Writing Skills, students learnt to write introductions, present definitions, develop thesis statements, write coherent conclusions and finally, produce brief but comprehensive abstracts. Students were taken through some of the linguistic devices they could use to develop academic phrasing and avoid common grammatical and stylistic mistakes.

Many students who attended the Writing a Literature Review workshop had no knowledge about what a literature review was or felt nervous about writing one. The workshop covered some of the essential purposes of a literature review and common structures used. Students also did many language activities where they learnt to use attitude markers, emphatic expressions and hedging expressions in expressing critical opinion. In the workshop, the metaphor of a housewarming party was applied so students could discern how writing a literature review can be equated to a party where they can socialize with experts!

As we tread into the start of the 2013-2014 academic year, mandatory Referencing workshops will be repeated for students' benefit and the OSCOLA Referencing workshop will be conducted for Construction Law and Dispute Resolution students! It is anticipated that key writing workshops will be repeated and that more writing and other academic literacy workshops will be offered throughout the semester of September to December 2013.

Step into Academic Success Unit workshops, learn and have some fun too! These workshops will also give you the opportunity to meet students from other programmes. Thus, you can socialise with peers and experts alike! Finally, check out the Blackboard site for workshops online.

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