Library Video Tutorials

BUiD Library has started developing a series of library tutorials for a quick and easy way to learn about general methods and strategies of research or about a particular resource.

All library video tutorials can be found on Blackboard under Library and Learning Resources.

The following Library website tutorials are available:

- Finding books
- Using 'One Search' tool
- Finding theses and dissertations

There are also tutorials provided by our Database vendors.

- Bank Scope
- i-law.com
- Westlaw UK
- EBSCOhost Support tutorials
- Emerald tutorial
- Sage journals tutorials
- Dawsonera ebooks
- Westlaw Gulf tutorials

Do you know?

Electronic Thesis and Dissertations

You can access this collection through our Library website. On the One Search box, choose 'BSPACE' and search by keyword

EBSCO Academic eBook Collection

Our Library has subscribed to more than 121,000 ebook titles through EBSCOhost. See our E-resources page.

Module Core Texts

These are commonly known as text books. You can check the module core texts through our Library website. On the One Search box, choose 'COURSE RESERVE'.
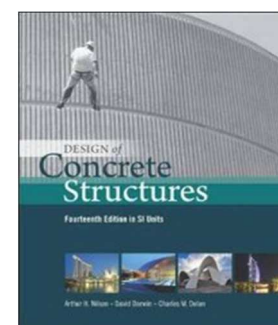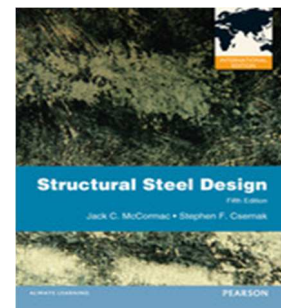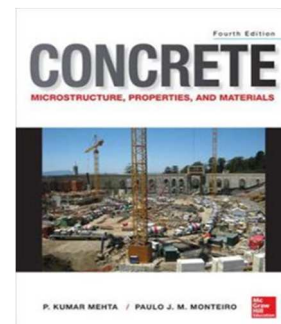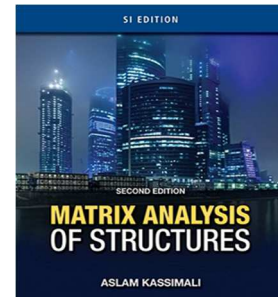
Document Request Service

This is a service if an article cannot be found through our subscribed databases. To request a document, visit our Library website.

Ask-a-Librarian

This is an online reference service if you wish to talk to a Librarian who is normally available during Library hours only.
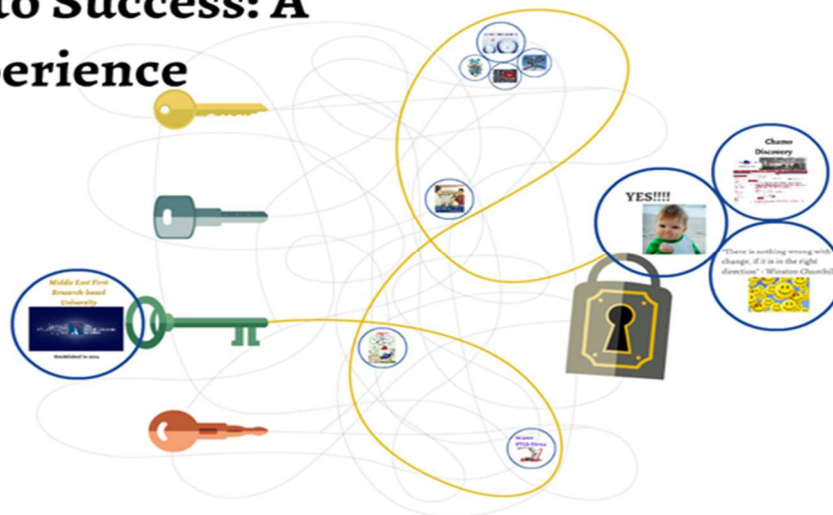
New Titles for Structural Engineering

and many more...
Check our new title list!

Staff News

Hurdles to Success: A User Experience

By Marisol Leonen

VTLS EMEA User's Group Meeting is an annual activity held by customers of Virtua – a Library management system from the EMEA region. I had the opportunity to attend this User's Group meeting last September 2014 at Bern, Switzerland. Since it is their first time to have an attendee from United Arab Emirates, I had the opportunity to talk about BUiD Library particularly on the implementation of Virtua.

As a non-profit university, it was not easy to find a library management system within the budget constraints. We have chosen Virtua and implemented in 2009. From data migration to updating bibliographic records is a huge task. We had a series of training to familiarise ourselves on the modules incorporated with it. We faced several issues during the implementation process. However, we have managed to seek support from our local vendor on all the issues we faced.

Despite all those issues and concerns, finally everything was sorted and we launched a new social web catalog VTLS Chamo Discovery in January 2014. This allows users to perform powerful search as well as facets to allow browsing and narrowing of results.

As a young research-based University, these changes have made a huge impact on our students. From no online catalog to a discovery tool, they have seen the changes in their Library. Despite the hurdles implementing change, we believe that we have met our user expectations, and at the same time increased our experience and conferences as Librarian.

Another Successful BUiD Library Week 2015

1-7 March

- Used Book Sale for the whole week
- Amnesty Day
- Feedback corner
- Database trainings

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, 1st March
Event: Individual mini session
Suitable for ALL students

Monday, 2nd March
Event: Mini-training session on Manchester e-resources
Tailored for PhD PM students

Tuesday, 3rd March
Event: Exploring databases
Suitable for ALL students

Wednesday, 4th March
Event: Mini-training session on Cardiff e-resources
Customised for MSc SDBE, MSc IBDA, PhD ASBE students

All events ran from 5.00-6.00 pm.

Thank you for those who Participated in our Library Week!!!