Top Things to Know about Healey Library

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UMBrella

- [UMBrella](#) is a one-stop search and discovery tool for books, e-books, videos, articles, and so much more.

- Sign in using your UMass Boston network ID and password to renew your library items, save items to your bookshelf, export citations for bibliographies, and view items and resources available at UMass Boston as well as from other institutions.

- Use the UMBrella chatbot for immediate research help.

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Ask a Librarian

- Get help with research support through
  - 24/7 chat service – international cooperative of academic libraries
  - Submit a question – response time 24-48 hours
  - Email the department at library.reference@umb.edu

- Research Consultations are available for in-depth research assistance. You can schedule a series of consultations or extensive support for a thesis, dissertation, capstone, or grant.

- For more details, visit umb.libanswers.com

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Course Reserves

- Use the library [Request Form](#): physical and electronic resources
  - Digitization requests for ADA compliant chapters
  - Requests to purchase
- Submit the form with your reserve lists as soon as you are able.
- Electronic content links: review the links every semester, to confirm that access to it has not changed. This includes article permalinks, streaming video, and e-books offered in UMBrella.
- Add personal copies loaned to Course Reserves email department library.reserves@umb.edu
- Search for available course reserves in UMBrella with a dedicated search filter

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Interlibrary Loan (ILL)

- The ILL service allows you to request items that we don't have. Items include electronic articles and book chapters which will be delivered in PDF format to you. Physical items including books, and DVDs can also be requested and picked up using our curbside pickup service.

- You can login to [ILLiad](#) using your UMB email.

- Email accounts are created automatically upon enrollment or employment. Read more about email activation [here](#).

- Please report any ILL login issues to

library.Circulation@umb.edu.

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Lean Library

- Download the Lean Library browser plugin to allow licensed Healey Library resources to pop up as you search the web.

- The browser extension will notify you that library access exists and provide you with the Get Access button to prompt you to authenticate with your UMass Boston login.

- umb.libguides.com/leanlibrary

Instruction Program

Request an information literacy research workshop with the Reference, Outreach, & Instruction librarians.

I. Customized in-person or virtual workshops.

2. Online resources: Course Libguides and standalone information literacy modules. The interactive modules include:

- Getting Started with Research
- Sources of Information
- Searching for Information
- Evaluating Information
- Presenting Research and Data
- Citation and Academic Integrity

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Databases

Library subscription and open access resources. Presented by subject and material types

- New subscriptions:
  - NYTimes.com
  - Covidence
  - Cabells Journalytics & Predatory Reports

- Additional resources:
  - Citations and Research Tools - features reference managers, journal metrics, publishing and research methods
  - Dissertations - open access, current, and archived dissertations
  - Newspapers - regional, national and international
  - Statistics - national and international agencies

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[BrowZine](#)

- A platform that allows you to browse, read and monitor thousands of scholarly journals available from Healey Library

- Create a free account to add journals to "My Bookshelf"

- Get email notifications when new articles are published in journals saved to your Bookshelf

- See our [BrowZine research guide](#) for more information.

Additional Resources…

- [Research Guides](): Librarian curated resources by subjects, disciplines, and courses.

- [ScholarWorks](): UMass Boston's digital repository. ScholarWorks serves as a publishing platform, a preservation service, and a showcase for the research and scholarly output of members of the UMass Boston community.

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Using Our Partner Libraries

- **Boston Library Consortium (BLC)** *(Requires BLC Card)*
  On-site borrowing privileges at Boston-area academic libraries with a **BLC card**.

- **Fenway Library Organization** (FLO)*(Requires UMB ID)*
  Students, faculty, and staff must present a valid UMB ID card to visit those libraries. Check with individual college and universities libraries for access policies.

- **Massachusetts Commonwealth Consortium of Public Higher Education Institutions** (MCLPHEI) *(Requires UMB ID)*
  Direct borrowing privileges at 29 campuses in Massachusetts state at higher education libraries with a current UMB ID. Check with individual libraries for borrowing policies.

- **Boston Public Library (BPL)**
  The Boston Public Library is also a research library and any student or resident in Massachusetts is eligible for a **Boston Public Library (BPL) card** or an **eCard**. Use either card to remotely access electronic resources.

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Reference Managers

Reference managers allow you to organize a personal database of resources that you can use to create citations and bibliographies. We support both Mendeley and Zotero.

Mendeley

- Your research content is primarily scholarly and contained in PDF files. Mendeley has a strong social network and community platform.

Zotero

- Your research content is diverse. Zotero can gather citation records for non-PDF content easily. Zotero's single-click capture works with databases, catalogs, and websites.

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Thank you!

Any questions?

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