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Vision
Towards a dynamic and sustainable Library

Mission
Empowering library services and facilities to support teaching and learning and research to achieve scientific excellence in various fields through the development of a dynamic collection and conducive infrastructure

Philosophy
Building educated, brilliant and cultured society based on the mastery and love through lifelong reading and learning practices.
Objectives:
1. To strengthen the collection of quality materials and information in line with customers’ demands
2. To provide efficient, effective, and customer-friendly services
3. To provide conducive infrastructure in line with current trends
4. To foster a culture of knowledge among the university’s community and the surrounding population
5. To become a learning and research reference hub in Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS)

Introduction
The library of University Malaysia Sabah (UMS Library) plays an important role in helping to create a knowledgeable university community, especially among students, academics and researchers. UMS Library is an information centre for user in the process of teaching, learning, research, innovation and university publications. In line with its vision of “Becoming a world-renowned centre of knowledge”, UMS Library is always striving to develop and improve its facilities and services from time to time to fulfill the needs of the university and to meet users’ satisfaction. Efforts include improving collections and information resources, quality of facilities and effectiveness of service delivery and expanding access or the accessibility of the information.

There are thousands of information and knowledge in various fields which can be accessed electronically 24 hours a day and 7 days a week including subscriptions databases that contains full text journals and electronic books. The electronic access can be done anytime and anywhere through the Web OPAC and Library Website (URL: http://webvirtua. ums.edu.my/). UMS Library is also constantly improving collaboration with local libraries as well as external libraries for information sharing and knowledge resources. It can help provide reading materials and information that are not in the collection but necessary, through the Interlibrary Loan service (ILL).
Through UMS Library, users can use a shared database among the libraries of local universities which can be accessed online for the purpose of finding materials and information, such as Thesis Database (MYTO), Serial Item Master List (MyULIS), Internet Resources (MGIR) and also University Publications collection (MURC). Users can access it through I-Portal Malaysian University Libraries & National Library Network (MyUniNet) at the URL http://portal.perpun.net.my/portal/index.php. Using the Library Information System (Virtua), the search for information can be done online through WebOPAC 24 hours, 7 days a week. With this system, the loan process, return, renews loans and reservations can be made without having to queue at the counter.

The library provides a special collection of Prime Collection, Laureate Nobel Prize, ASEANA Collection, Children's Collection and American Corner Collection. The 24-Hour Book Drop can be used to return the loan book at any time even outside library opening hours. A 24-Hour Reading Room within the library building allows the learning process take place at all times. Meanwhile, 500 thin client computers with Internet access and wireless facilities available in the library can boost learning and research. Other facility such as prayer room also available for library users. UMS Library also extends its services in branch locations at Labuan International Campus, Sandakan Campus, the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (main campus, clinical blocks at Kingfisher, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Sikuati, Kudat and Duchess of Kent Hospital Sandakan) and the Off Campus Reading Centre. In addition, professional staffs are always ready to assist and provide guidance to users who need advice. On-going guidance and training are also provided to ensure that users can take full advantage of all the facilities provided.