

LIBRARY

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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.

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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, academicians and researchers. UMS Library is an information centre to support the process of teaching, learning, research, innovation and university publications. In line with its vision of "Towards a dynamic and sustainable Library", 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, effectiveness of service delivery, and expanding the accessibility of the information.

Thousands of books are available at UMS Library in various field. Most of them are related to the courses offered in UMS. There are also thousands of information and knowledge in various fields which can be accessed electronically 24 hours a day and 7 days a week including subscriptions of 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/>).

The special collections such as Perdana Collection, Nobel Laureate Collection, Aseana+3 Collection, Children's Collection and American Corner Collection are also available in UMS Library.

In addition, UMS Library has a digital collection of UMS Institutional Repository (UMSIR). This digital archive containing full text of UMS writings and publications such as academic exercise, annual reports, articles, books, conference/workshop items, newspaper cutting, speeches, thesis, UMS news, research reports and book chapter. It can be electronically accessed through <http://eprints.ums.edu.my>.

UMS Library also extends the services to its branch locations at Labuan International Campus Library, Medical Library, Engineering Multimedia Library, Sandakan Campus Library and Block Clinical Situati.

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

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purpose of finding materials and information, such as Thesis Database (MYTO), Serial Item Master List (MyULIS), Internet Resources (MGIR) and University Publications collection (MURC). Users can access it through I-Portal Malaysian University Libraries & National Library Network (MyUniNet) at the URL http://perpun.upm.edu.my/myuninet_v2/.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Using the Library Information System (Virtua), the search for information can be done online through WebOPAC 24 hours, 7 days a week. The lending, returning, renewal and reservation of books can be easily made without having to queue at the counter.

The 24-Hour Book Drop can be used to return the loan book at any time after the library's opening hours. A 24-Hour Reading Room within the library building always allows the learning process take place. Meanwhile, 26 units 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.

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 fully utilize of all the facilities provided.