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PMU Female Library

Message from the Director

The recent LRC Library survey is bolstering the fact that the library is increasingly being utilized to meet the needs of students, faculty, and staff. The library, which once was seldom visited, is becoming a bustling center for study, research, and casual reading. More instructors are bringing their classes for additional tutoring on accessing the expanded library resources. Our professional library staff are doing all they can to foster a friendly welcoming atmosphere to encourage more frequent attendance. Our digital access to e-books and e-journals is made possible through our subscription to the vast resources available through the Saudi Digital Library (SDL) service and these are available on and off campus. Various professors are displaying the projects that students have made along with giving them the opportunity to give oral presentations of their displays. The administration has already approved plans to upgrade the equipment and services, and when implemented will take a giant step towards meeting the greater needs of clientele and various accrediting bodies. We are proud of our highly educated professional library staff who have contributed to making all of this possible.



— Dr. Desmond V. Rice, LRC Director



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The work behind the scenes

The female and male library staff work in unison to process new books arriving to the libraries. The new books go through several processes before they reach the shelves. The books in the box are checked against the box packing list and the acquisitions list. The books are catalogued, stamped, call number labels added then programmed to Symphony and the work is checked. Acquisition lists are sent to faculty and are posted on library social media. Library users may place reservations/holds on items, which will be kept for them and ready to be checked out.



*A great library is one nobody notices because it is always there,
and always has what people need.*

— Vicki Myron

Library Discovery Services: PMU Library future

By: Furkan Yousaf

The concept of a modern Learning Resource Center (LRC), provides users their required information resources online which can be accessed anytime and everywhere. LRCs have automated their physical resources and made them accessible through Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC). LRCs also subscribe to worldwide digital resources databases such as ProQuest, Emerald and Elsevier. All these subscribed digital resources databases and OPAC have their own search box so it is difficult for the users to know which database to access for their desired information resources. Looking back, the concept of discovery services emerged in 2009. OCLC was the first to start a move into the implementation phase. Craven-Pamlico-Carteret Regional Library, a small public library group, rolled out WorldShare Management Services (OCLC) in November 2010. Library discovery services (LDS) is a pre-assembled index which covers many library electronic resources. Therefore, the Library Discovery Tool is “a single search interface that searches the bulk of a library’s collection from pre-assembled index such as books, journals, article content, digital collections, and more” (Ketterman, Besaw, and Tucker 2011).

LDS provide the ability to search an integrated index of available information resources; library supplied (Catalog, Institutional repositories’, Consortia resources); Open Access (HathiTrust, DOAJ, arXiv.org, Patents); published Metadata (Journals, Newspapers, Books, other data), and Licensed databases such as EBSCO host, ProQuest and Emerald. LDS has improved the relevance of search results and streamlined the search process. In the competition for giving easy access to library resources, discovery tool is a single query search box that is similar to Google. The library of Cowan University implemented LDS and highlighted the impact of discovery tool (Summon) on student research skills: it debated whether or not the tool has a potential feature to simplify or “dumb down” research. The library also disclosed that users want a single point of discovery for all resources because it saves time and gives relevant results.

The acceptance and implementation status of discovery tool is growing exponentially within the environment of academic libraries. In the presence of discovery tools, libraries got the opportunity to establish a new user’s information resources search interface. It has been revealed from past studies that hundreds of national and international universities libraries have subscribed and implemented library discovery from different discovery services provider. The most popular discovery tools are World Share discovery from OCLC, Summon from Serials Solutions, Encore Synergy from Innovative Interfaces, Primo Central from Ex Libris and EBSCOhost Discovery Service from EBSCO. Open source discovery tools, such as Kuali OLE, VuFind, eXtensible and Blacklight are allowing institutions to configure their tools for differing number of users and collections. Western Reserve University implemented library discovery and found a 120% increase in usage of library resource. The interface of discovery is so simple that it gives an overall better experience for users.

In the territory of the KSA, the concept of discovery is growing. Many public sector universities have accepted and are implementing LDS. Specifically, in the Eastern Province, Imam Abdurahman University implemented LDS in 2010 and King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals implemented it in 2012.

PMU library is a user service platform where users find their best information resources for support in completing projects, assignments, presentations and research work. PMU library management strives to equip the library with advanced technology that enables users to find and use the information resources they need. PMU Library Management System (Symphony Sirsidynix) is helping to manage the library physical resources only. The library also subscribes to 24 different world leading databases. These databases cover different kind of contents with different subject specialties. Every database has its own content search interface. It is difficult for library staff to introduce all databases within one sitting among students during orientation or Library class visit. After going through certain steps of “how to access Saudi Digital Library” It is difficult to explain which database is best suited to ones keywords that have the most relevant results. Sometimes it’s more confusing when users want to access E-books because they need to repeat the steps again to open the webpage that offer access to E-books resources databases. In this way users need to re-enter their keywords many times into different databases to find the required information resources.

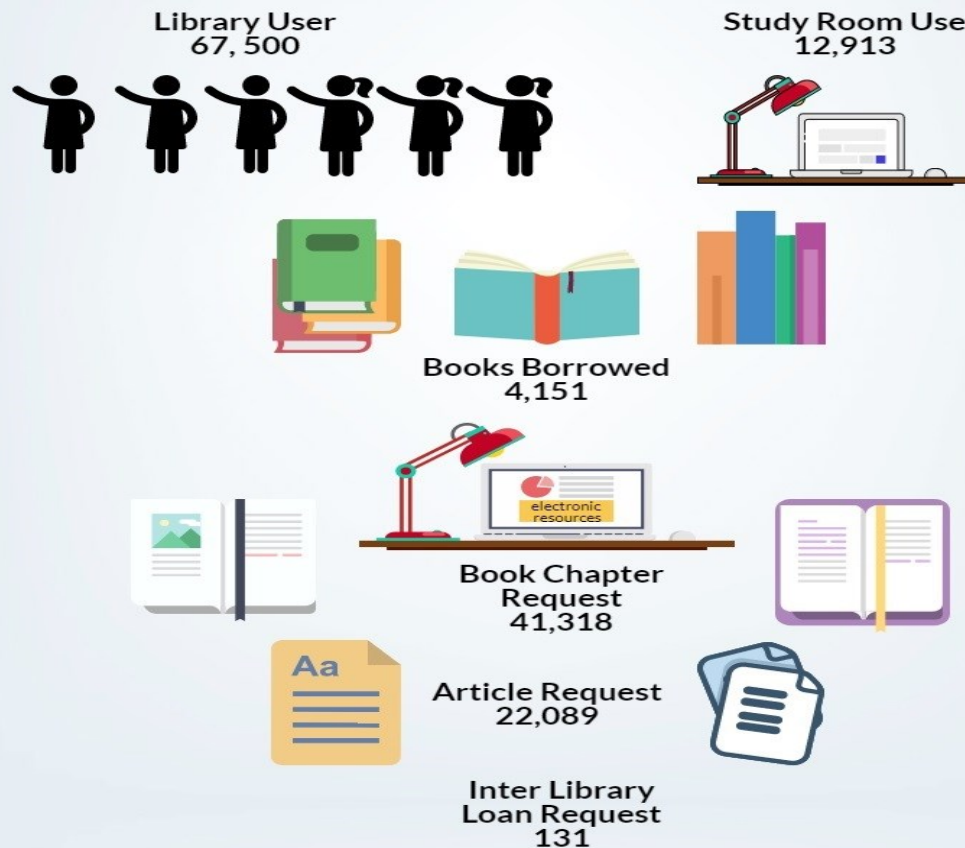
The selection of any library discovery tool has always been a complex process for libraries. The selection of LDS for PMU library management was also very complex. Several companies explained how their programs would facilitate and fulfil the library user’s needs. WorldShare by the OCLC, one of them offers library services platforms that have capability to manage all kind of print and digital resources. This product includes discovery tool interface offering a variety of features related to the search and retrieval from library collections, digital databases, patron self-services request, Inter library loan, and other capabilities. PMU library strives to keep the library current and accepts change by implementing an updated concept of library resources management system.

When in doubt go to the library.

- J.K. Rowling

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Use in 2017



Increased usage of the library in 2017

Physical visits increased by 6%

Circulation increased by 65%

Study room usage increased in 75%

Inter Library Loan increased in 69%

The Poetry Writing and Appreciation Competition Fall 2017 Results

By: Louise Manners & Rahat Khan

We are pleased to announce the winners of the 'Poetry Writing and Appreciation' Competition organized by the Library in December 2017 and January 2018. Three entries were received.

Congratulations to the following winners:

1st place: **Aisha Manzoor** (William Shakespeare, Sonnet 18)

2nd place: **Noor Muhammad Memon** (Robert Frost, A time to talk)

3rd place: **Sarah Khalid Alkhalidi** (Emily Dickinson, If I can stop one heart from breaking).

Thank you to all who participated in this competition.

The next competition will begin in March 2018.
Be prepared, you may be a winner!!!

LIBRARY NEWS

Library orientation programs help new students

By: Christopher Artuz



The Department of Campus Life launched the I-Week event held on the Male and Female Campus last September 18-20, 2017. This event aimed to promote the different facilities and services offered by departments.

The Library Department introduced the Saudi Digital Library (SDL), print collections and online databases. The library also provided displays of books and other reading materials.

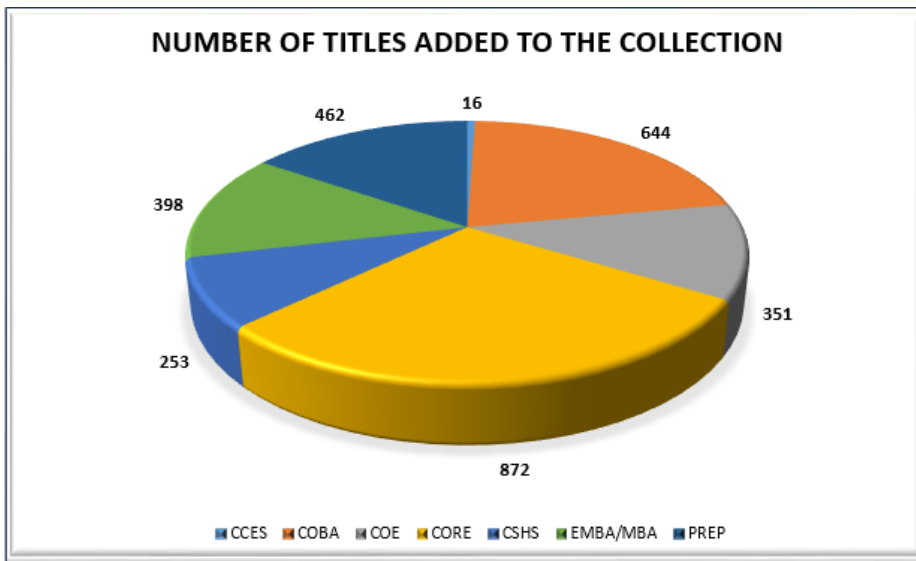
Dr. Desmond Rice, LRC Director, led the team in promoting the library by responding to queries and suggestions of students and faculty.



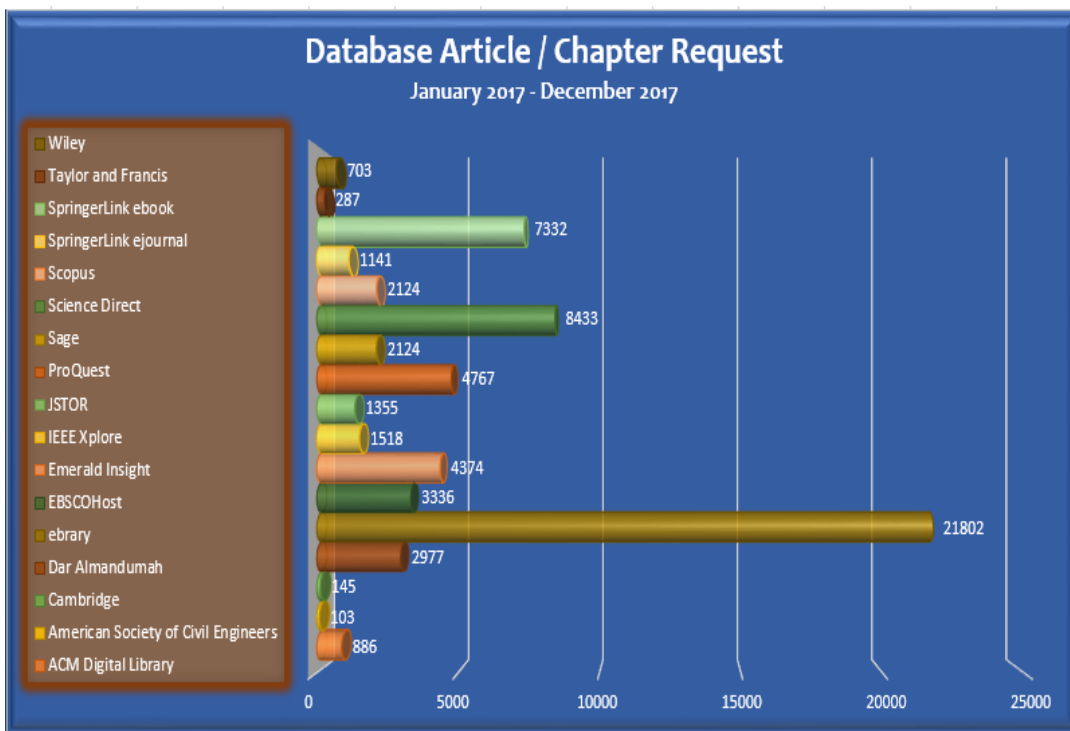
Business representatives from the Eastern Province visited the library on 10th December 2017 and expressed positive comments on PMU.

LIBRARY NEWS

Almost 3,000 titles added to the library print collection



Check out the newest items added to the Collection!!!



The number of articles and book chapter requests from the library database, ebooks and ejournal is increasing. As shown in the graph from January to December 2017.

Your electronic resources never close

S D L
المكتبة الرقمية السعودية
Saudi Digital Library

Access it 24/7



LOCAL NEWS

King Fahd National Library restores thousands of ancient documents

Arab News, 18th December 2017

King Fahd National Library has played an important role in the restoration and digital photocopying of over 12,000 manuscripts and tens of thousands of documents and materials. The national library restoration department director Abdullah Al-Ahmad explained that the restoration department “deals with the documents and manuscripts it receives from government agencies and individuals.” The six stages are sterilization, treatment, restoration, microfilm, digital photography and binding.



Saudi mega museum – King Abdulaziz Center in Dhahran – is finally moving ahead

Gareth Harris, The Art Newspaper, 5th January 2018

The King Abdulaziz Center for World Culture (known as Ithra) in the Saudi Arabian eastern city of Dhahran is expected to be fully open and operational by summer 2018. The center is currently undergoing its soft opening phase after it was officially inaugurated on 1st December 2017. The Knowledge Tower has many rooms which will provide space for 2,000 annual science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) workshops, along with arts, multimedia and skill-building programs.

The centers’ archives will lay stress on the “human element” of Aramco’s approach and history.

In addition Ithra is making an impact internationally. Ithra is co-organising the exhibition “Ahmed Mater: Mecca journeys at Brooklyn Museum in New York” (until 2nd April). On behalf of Ithra Culturunners has produced a cultural exchange program between Saudi Arabia and the USA. An exhibition dedicated to Abdulnasser Gharan was held at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Saudi artists have undertaken a ten-city tour of the USA.

The Ithra launch comes after the launch of the Misk Art Institute, the artistic branch of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman’s Misk Foundation. The Misk Art Institute is expected to become Saudi Arabia’s leading platform for grassroots cultural production, diplomacy and exchange.



Hijab emoji creator on TIME’s list of most influential teenagers

Arab News, 5th November 2017

Time magazine’s list of “30 Most Influential Teens” for 2017 includes a 16-year-old Saudi girl, Rayouf Al-Humedhi. She was selected for proposing Apple’s new emoji with a headscarf. There has been Arab and international awareness of the emoji. Syrian refugee Muzoon Al-Mellehan, aged 19, also made it onto the list. She has become a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador. Original title: Hijab emoji creator on TIME’s list of most influential Saudi teenagers.

REGIONAL NEWS

NGL opens first regional center at UoB

Oana News, 7th November 2017

Global Cengage company National Geographical Learning (NGL) and University of Bahrain (UoB) on 6th November opened the first NGL resource center outside North America and Europe. President of Cengage International Alexander Broich (picture above on the left) and UoB President Professor Riyadh Hamzah (pictured above on the



right) presided. The opening was attended by presidents of other universities in Bahrain and NGL contributors. The new center facilitates orientation year students to accelerate their English language development by the means of using technology and of reading 7,000 new books courtesy of NGL. Up to 3,000 students may make use of the center's resources daily via a mix of direct access and online access.

How girls built a library in the Gaza Strip

Mohammed Abu Sulaiman UNICEF Press Release, 18th December 2017

Schoolgirls attending Sokaina Girls School, Deir al Balah City, Gaza, were participating in a UNICEF programme encouraging them to brainstorm projects to make their life better. They decided that they wanted a library. They went to the market to buy books. Generally girls go to school and go home; they do not go to market and interact with shopkeepers. In an empty classroom they built shelves from wooden boxes and seats from old tires. They requested book donations from NGOs and received 500 books. The Education Ministry supplied tables, chairs and more books. The girls formed a committee to manage the library.



Knowledge Index launched in Dubai

Gulf Business, 26th November 2017

Dubai's Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Knowledge Foundation and the United Nations Development Programme have released the first edition of the Global Knowledge Index. The index measures knowledge based on higher education, pre-university education, technical/vocational training and continued education, information and communication technology, scientific research and innovation, economics and enabling environments. Countries are ranked based on 133 variables including life expectancy, literacy and regulation.



Everything you need for better future and success has already been written. And guess what? All you have to do is go to the library.

— Henri Frederic Amiel

STAFF NEWS

Library users' attitudes and behaviors towards social media



Mr. Abdullah Smaeel

Mr. Abdullah Smaeel has been collaborating with Dr. Mohammed Abdullah of the PMU Deanship of Research. Mr. Abdullah presented his paper at the Arab Federation for Libraries & Information (AFLI) 28th Conference, meeting in Cairo from the 27th to 29th November 2017, the theme of which was "Social networks and their impact on information institutions in the Arab world". The title of the paper is, "The attitudes and behavior of users towards the use of social media in information institutions in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: An applied study on the Learning Resources Center at Prince Mohammed bin Fahd University". paper was about the use of social media in information institutions in Saudi Arabia. This study was applied on the Prince Mohammed bin Fahad University community to get an idea about their attitudes in the use of social media to get the information services that they are looking for and

also, their expectations from the LRC services through the social media.

It was a very good opportunity to get a clearer view of library users' opinions, expectations and needs. As a result, PMU library staff can improve services and make a greater effort to meet library users' needs.

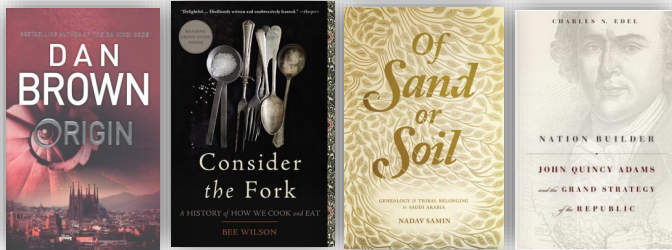
It was a wonderful experienced for the library staff to visit ITHRA King Abdulaziz Center for World Culture



The latest technology has been used in the library to make it user friendly by all visitors. Looking forward to the implementation of plans to upgrade PMU library system and devices.

What We're Reading

Librarian, Ms. Sandra Keirsey recommends the following books:



Origin by Dan Brown. An electronic book through Barnes & Noble.

This book was okay. If you like the Robert Langdon character from Dan Brown's books then it is worth reading. As a stand-alone book, I would wait until it goes on sale.

Consider the fork: a history of how we cook and eat by Bee Wilson. Borrowed from PMU Library. Call number TX656 .W56 2012.

For those that like cooking, this book is a delightful read. There is history, science, and anthropology. Learn the evolution of knives, pots and pans, and how we went from an open fire to an oven. An enjoyable book!

Of sand or soil: genealogy and tribal belonging in Saudi Arabia by Nadav Samin. Borrowed from PMU Library. Call number DS218 .S26 2015.

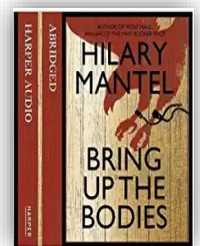
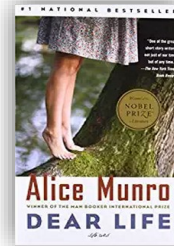
A fascinating book!!! If you are looking for information about tribal genealogies, oral narratives, and state information this book is you. It will provide a great deal of information for any researcher and well teach you about Saudi history.

Nation builder: John Quincy Adams and the grand strategy of the republic by Charles Edel. Borrowed from PMU Library. Call number E377 .E34 2014.

I am at the beginning of this book so I do not have much to say about it...yet. I decided on this book to further learn about John Quincy Adams. Yes I am a history nerd :-)

Librarian, Ms. Louise Manners recommends the following books:

Lately I have been reading 'Dear Life: stories' by Canadian author Alice Munro and 'Bring up the bodies' by English historical fiction writer Hilary








Mantel. Alice Munro creates distinct characters in her short stories, set during or after the Second World War around Lake Huron, sometimes bringing a person to life just in a few sentences. She describes men and women of all ages. The four final stories are semi-autobiographical. In 'Night' Munro's relationship with her father is described with real warmth. Munro won the Nobel Prize In Literature for 2013 and the International Man Booker prize in 2009.

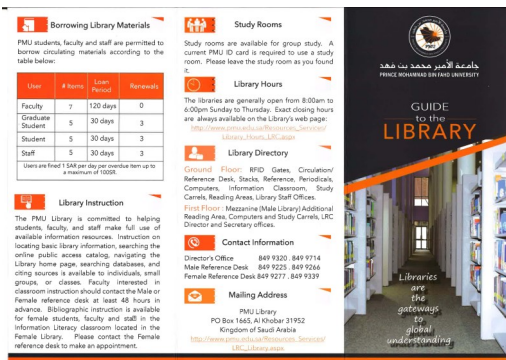
Hilary Mantel lived in Saudi Arabia for four years. Her historical fiction about Tudor times evokes the buildings people lived in, the furnishings of the buildings, the garments that people wore and the food they ate. In this sequel to 'Wolf Hall', Mantel tells the story of the fall of Anne Boleyn, Queen of England, from the point of view of Thomas Cromwell, chief minister in the court of Henry VIII. Thomas Cromwell, the historical figure, rose from humble beginnings, being the son of a hostelry landlord and blacksmith. He was a ruthless and merciless lawyer, who saw Parliament as the medium to achieve what the King wanted. Hilary Mantel makes of him a loving father to his son and father figure to his nephew, whose parents had died, and a genial host. 'Bring up the bodies' won the 2012 Man Booker prize.

Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are.

-Mason Cooley

Library Login Information

Group Study Room Login	Electronic Recourses Off-Campus Login	Library and Study Room Computers Login	Library Online Catalog (OPAC) Login	Self-Check Station Login
For login library study room please use your PMU ID number and default Password is pmu54321.	For off-campus access your User ID and Password is the same one you use to access your PMU web mail. No ID and password required for on-campus access.	Library users will log in to library / study room computers with their PMU login. Your username and password is the same one you use to access your PMU web mail.	For login library account please use your PMU login information. Your User ID and Password is the same one you use in your self-check station log in.	For male self-check station use your User ID and Password same as your PMU ID number. For female self-check station use your PMU ID and your default password is 123456.
 LRC Study Room Booking				
<p>For assistance please call or email the library: Female library 2977 / 9339 Male library 9225 / 9266 referencelibrarian@pmu.edu.sa</p>				



Borrowing Library Materials
PMU students, faculty and staff are permitted to borrow circulating materials according to the table below:

User	# Items	Loan Period	Renewals
Faculty	7	120 days	0
Graduate Student	5	30 days	3
Student	5	30 days	3
Staff	5	30 days	3

Users are fined 1 \$AK per day per overdue item up to a maximum of 100\$.

Library Instruction
The PMU Library is committed to helping students, faculty, and staff make full use of available information resources. Instruction on locating basic library information, searching the online public access catalog, navigating the Library home page, searching databases, and citing sources is available to individuals, small groups, or classes. Faculty interested in classroom instruction should contact the Male or Female reference desk at least 48 hours in advance. Bibliographic instruction is available for female students, faculty and staff in the Information Literacy classroom located in the Female Library. Please contact the Female reference desk to make an appointment.

Study Rooms
Study rooms are available for group study. A current PMU ID card is required to use a study room. Please leave the study room as you found it.

Library Hours
The libraries are generally open from 8:00am to 6:00pm Sunday to Thursday. Exact closing hours are always available on the Library's web page: http://www.pmu.edu.sa/Information_Literacy/Information_Literacy_Library

Library Directory
Ground Floor: RFID Gates, Circulation Reference Desk, Stacks, Reference, Periodicals, Computers, Information Classroom, Study Carrels, Reading Area, Library Staff Offices.
First Floor: Magazine/Male Library/Additional Reading Area, Computers and Study Carrels, LRC Director and Secretary Offices.

Contact Information
Director's Office: 849 9320, 849 9374
Male Reference Desk: 849 9225, 849 9266
Female Reference Desk: 849 9227, 849 9339

Mailing Address
PMU Library
PO Box 1665, Al-Rodhah 31952
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
http://www.pmu.edu.sa/Information_Literacy/LRC/Library.html

Latest publications

Two new library brochures "Guide to the Library" and "Databases Guide" are available from the reference desk.



E-JOURNAL DATABASES

IEEE Xplore Digital Library - provides Web access to more than 3 million full text documents from some of the world's most highly cited publications in electrical engineering, computer science and electronics.

JSTOR - is an online library of more than 2,000 full text academic journals, 30,000 books and millions of primary sources.

ProQuest - connects people with vetted, reliable information. Key to serious research, the company has forged a 70-year reputation as a gateway to the world's knowledge on dissertations to governmental and cultural archives to news.

Springer - is the world's 5th largest journals publisher includes more than 1000 journals spanning the humanities, social sciences, and science & technology, medicine and more than 400 are published on behalf of learned societies and institutions.

Science Direct - is a leading full-text scientific database offering journal articles and book chapters from more than 3,800 peer-reviewed journals and 35,000 book titles.

Scopus - is the largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature: scientific journals, books and conference proceedings.

Springerlink provides full text access to millions of scientific documents from journals, books, series, preprint and reference works.

Taylor & Francis Online - one of the world's leading publishers of scholarly journals, books, eBooks and reference works our content spans all areas of humanities, social sciences, behavioral sciences, science & technology and medicine.

Web of Science - access to the world's leading scholarly literature in the sciences, social sciences, arts, humanities and examine proceedings of international conferences, symposia, seminars, colloquia, workshops and conventions.

Wiley Online Library - the world's broadest and deepest multidisciplinary collection of online resources covering life, health and physical sciences, social science and the humanities. It delivers seamless integrated access to over 4 million articles from over 1,500 journals, over 25,000 online books, and hundreds of reference works, laboratory protocols and databases.

PMU Library staff can help you and your students get the most from library resources. We offer one-on-one help, classroom presentations, or can customize a training workshop for your needs. Email: referencelibrarian@pmu.edu.sa or stop by the library to speak with us.

PMU Library Website: http://www.pmu.edu.sa/Information_Literacy/LRC/Library.html

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