Contact the librarian

We will answer your queries about finding information, carrying out searches, using electronic documents and databases. At the help desk or in the librarians offices in the Library

Telephone: 91 394 38 28 (School days: 9 to 21)
Mail: buc_vet@ucm.es
More information and enquiries forms in:
http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet

Library map

- Reading room: 158 places.
- Journals room: 48 places.
- Study rooms: 18 places.
- Video room: 4 places

http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet/nuestros-espacios

Collections and codes

- Books (L, D, A): 35.979
- Journals (PP): 2.034
- Videos (E): 344
- CD-Rom (E): 254
- DVD (E): 136
- Microforms (E/M): 248
- Maps: (C) 822
- Theses (T): 3.458
- Full text electronic collections: Books, journals, working papers, theses...

The signature is a code that indicates where a book or another material is placed. Example:

L/631ARI
- The first letter indicates the collection (In this case L/ Free access collection)
- Numbers show the subject (631 Agriculture)
- Then there are three letters for the surname of the author: ARI (Arias, J.) or for the title in a collective work.

Other UCM Libraries

The Complutense Library is the biggest university library in Spain, with 33 faculty libraries, 12.700 reading places, 3.000.000 titles, 1.000 computers and more than 500 librarians at your service.

You can use whatever you want!
How to use the library

All members of our university community may use all services and borrow books by means of a valid Library Card which is personal and non-transferable.

For access online to the collections off campus a PIN number is required.

Members of the UCM Alumni Association and Friends of the UCM have access to some of our services such as home loan.

Our materials can be used by everybody in the Reading Rooms. Visitors who wish to use other services or borrow books must be introduced by a professor or by the Library Director.

Improper use of materials or inappropriate behaviour towards our staff or other users constitutes gross misconduct and will be dealt with academic or legal authorities (Library Rules).

Get to know your library

The Library organizes several activities aimed at knowledge of the collection and use of services.

- Welcome Week at the beginning of the course, with guided tours, classrooms demonstrations, posters, guides...
- Visits exist for students groups, previous request.
- Free training Courses: Information and request at the Librarians office and into the web http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet/conocenos

Training courses

The Library offers a scheduled programed of training free courses:

- Information and request at the Librarians office and into the web buc_vet@ucm.es
  - Timetable courses and help guides in: http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet/cursos-de-la-biblioteca
    - "La Biblioteca te da un #10"
    - "PubMed: la base de datos más utilizada en Biomedicina"
    - "Web of Science y SCOPUS: encuentra las revistas y los autores más citados"
    - "FSTA: la principal base de datos para CyTA"
    - "Organiza tu bibliografía: REFWORKS"
    - "Organiza tu bibliografía: Zotero"
    - "Organiza tu bibliografía: Mendeley"
    - "Cómo presentar trabajos en Ciencias de la Salud: citar, publicar...
For students in Health Sciences we offer the free course "Fundamentos de búsqueda y recuperación de la información en Ciencias Veterinarias" (1 credit or 1 ECTS).

Tailor-made courses on demand

Where to find the collections

Books:
- Open Access rooms classified by subjects (codes L y R): 8.514 titles.
- 150 Veterinary Medicine and Food Sciences & Technology e-books.
- Deposits: 17.000 titles (codes D y A. Ask at the Loan Counter)

Journals:
- The latest numbers of 62 print journals are available on the Journals room in alphabetical order
- 102 technical full text electronic journals, into more than 30.000 full text electronic journals available for UCM users.
- 2.020 titles in restricted Access shelves (Deposits) and should be requested at the loan desk.

Video Room: More than 1.000 items: videos, CDs and else (Code E).

"Animal subject Collection"
"DVD’s leisure Collection"

More information in:
http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet/fondos-y-colecciones

Tell us what you think

Purchase requests: Please let us know which titles we may acquire to complement our collections, or which titles need more copies.
http://biblioteca.ucm.es/desideratas

Complaints or suggestions. You may complain or make suggestions in person, or by e-mail. We will contact you as soon as possible.
http://biblioteca.ucm.es/dinoslo

Services for the disabled

Our Library is full adapted for disabled persons.
https://biblioteca.ucm.es/serviciosdissapacitados

Use the library from home

Our website enables you to:
- Renew and reserve loan books...
- Access online collection (books, journals, theses, databases...)
- Ask the librarian
- Use guides, tutorials
- And much more...

Some services require PIN.

http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet

Study support

You can use our online service to find out about availability of your Course bibliographies. (http://biblioteca.ucm.es/buscarbibliografias)

The Bibliographic and Information Service can help you with search documents and management bibliographies.

Access online eBooks: http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet/libros-electronicos-de-veterinaria-cyta

The Library has two study rooms for Group Work

The Complutense Library (BUC) will arrange special opening hours at some libraries during examination periods (Saturdays, Sundays, at night).

Loans, renewals and reserving

Loan timetables: from 9 to 21 h

Deadlines and number of titles:
- Students: 12 titles of BUC collection (only 4 from Veterinary Open Access Collection), 7 days.
- Researchers and administrative personnel: 20 titles of BUC collection (only 4 from Veterinary Open Access Collection), 30 days.
- Members of COLVEMA: 4 titles (only 2 from Veterinary Open Access Collection), 7 days.
- Teachers: 35 titles (only 8 from Veterinary Open Access Collection), 2 months.

Loan Conditions:
- Reference books (encyclopaedias, dictionaries...), journals, unpublished theses and works of special value cannot be taken out on loan.
- Fines: One day for each day overdue.

Renewals and reserving:
- Reservations and renewals of books in the catalogue may be made using your PIN.
http://biblioteca.ucm.es/vet/prestamo

Using the computers

Our computers are available for study and research. They are located: 4 at the Reading room and 10 in the Journals room, one of them with Scanner. 2 Computers for catalog researches.

15 laptops, e-readers, USB memory devices, headphones... availables to loan.

The wireless network is freely available with your UCM email.

Research support

- Support for the use and management of veterinary and food sciences information sources.
- Use of virtual campus.
- Support for search and localization of documents.
- Questions and bibliographical alerts.
- Support in the management of bibliographies and citations.
- Indicators for the quality of scientific journals.

Inter-library loans

We can obtain documents from other national and international libraries which are not in our collections:
http://biblioteca.ucm.es/prestamo-interbibliotecario

Electronic publishing

E-prints is the Complutense University’s institutional repository. It enables researchers to deposit the full text of their work or details about their work and make it freely available over the internet. In this way it helps to raise the visibility of University’s research and helps to maximize its impact. http://eprints.ucm.es/