NOTE FROM THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

The Library Service is almost at the close of another busy year and the A. M. Al-Refai Library continues to fulfill its traditional service responsibilities. Collections supporting research and teaching continue to grow. Students continue to use the Library facilities and service for group discussions, to study, access the physical and online resources, and for many other reasons. Great progress has been made towards the delivery of a suite of high impact library services coupled with a highly valued, skilled, customer-focused staff and we look forward to continuing this work as the Library slowly moves into the new academic year.

We want to take this opportunity to thank our students and our academic and professional service partners and GUST Management, who continually help us to innovate, improve, and develop our services.

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Library Director

EDS SERVICE—REDESIGNED

The EBSCO Discover Search (EDS) Box on the Library homepage has been redesigned to bring together some additional features to make the search most comprehensive. The full-text option has been included in the search box to make searching comfortable from the first stage and users no longer have to select the full-text option in the results page. Also, LibGuides tab has been added to enable users to search for entire library collection—all within an unparalleled full-featured, customizable discovery layer experience. Additionally, it offers the CITE option for every search displayed in the results page. The complete search box has been recoded to include the new features and replace it with the old one.

The EDS service is available from the Library Homepage and is accessible both inside and outside GUST campus. It is a single-search interface to scholarly articles, electronic journals, books.

Important Note—Browser Issue: The Library resources (Databases, Discovery Service, Online Catalog, etc.) are fully functional; we have tested each database individually both inside and outside campus. The non-accessibility of resources, however, are purely due to browser issues.

If you are unable to access Library resources in a particular browser, say for example in Firefox, please try using another browser such as Chrome or Internet Explorer. Clearing the History, and Cache also helps. If you still face the accessibility issue, please contact the IT for assistance.
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STANDARDS
- Book of Standards
- Passport to Steel
- Research Reports
- Related Materials
- Digital Adjuncts
- Alphanumeric Listings of Standards

DIGITAL LIBRARY
- Journals
- Special Technical Publications
- Manuals/Monographs
- Data Series
- Proceedings
- Bulletins
- Materials Research and Standards

OTHER CONTENT
- AASHTO
- AATCC
- API
- ISO
- MIL
- Gutter Construction Specifications 2014
- Unified Numbering System (UNS)

MY TOOLS
- My Annotations
- My Bookmarks
- My Saved Searches
- My Groups
- Standards Shared With Me
- Publications Shared With Me
- Product Alerts

The American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) has reached an agreement with the Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) to provide ASTM Compass’s online access, to all universities in Kuwait; the access includes the following:

- All active ASTM standards | All Withdrawn ASTM standards | All historical ASTM standards – 13,000+
- All ASTM eBooks (1,500+) & symposium papers | ALL ASTM journals
- 50,000 Technical Papers & Chapters, and Standard Video & Research Reports
- All ASTM Proceedings | All ASTM Bulletins | All ASTM online eLearning courses
- Daily updates | Unlimited downloads & prints
- Unlimited simultaneous users (no-one will ever be blocked out)

INFORMATION LITERACY REQUEST FORM IS NOW DIGITAL

The Library provides a variety of information literacy programs: Orientation, topical workshops, and tailor-made advanced information research skills sessions.

Orientation and bibliographic instruction sessions are conducted at the beginning of each academic year. Topical sessions are organized from time to time.

A series of sessions on information sources and literature searching is available upon request. As these sessions require considerable preparation time, please make requests for such sessions well in advance.

In order to request for a session, please visit the Library website to submit the Information Literacy Request Form, after filling in all the necessary details.
LIB QUIZ contd...

1. “Keywords” are terms or words commonly used to describe and topic and used to perform searches:
   a) True
   b) False

2. Where could you find the Capital of Nigeria?
   a) Dictionary
   b) Atlas
   c) Online Library Catalog

3. A citation may contain the following elements:
   a) Author
   b) Title
   c) Library name
   d) Date

4. A student is allowed to checkout a maximum of:
   a) 5 books
   b) 10 books
   c) 3 books

5. When is it best to use direct quotes and paraphrases?
   a) To support your ideas
   b) To communicate what you mean better than you think you can
   c) To explain complicated ideas to your instructor

Answers to quiz on previous issue: 1.a, 2.a, 3.b, 4.c, 5.c
LITERATURE REVIEW - A STEP BY STEP GUIDE

LITERATURE REVIEW (Continuing series)

STEP 4 — Evaluate your readings

Currency:
What is the publication date of the material?
Is it likely that more current information is available?
Have you found any more recent research that casts doubt upon or refutes some findings?

Coverage:
Is the information complete? Based on your research so far, does the information appear to cover the area being studied?
What is the sample size? Is it adequate?
Is there any further research that has not been mentioned or deliberately omitted from the findings?

Location:
In which country was the article written?
Is this location relevant / important to your research?

Final Check:
When you have considered all the questions above, ask yourself:
What does all this mean?

Step 4 to Continue…….