About

Ebling Library is the health sciences library of the University of Wisconsin. We are open to the public, but primarily serve the health sciences schools, departments, centers, hospitals & clinics at the University of Wisconsin.

We are located on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Health Sciences Learning Center (HSLC) at 750 Highland Avenue, Madison WI 53705, adjacent to the UW Hospital and the Wisconsin Institutes of Medical Research. See http://ebling.library.wisc.edu/about-us/hours-location/ for visiting information.

Access

The HSLC and Ebling Library are open 24/7 to all patrons with a UW Health ID or Wiscard for all faculty, staff, and students of the School of Medicine and Public Health, School of Nursing, School of Pharmacy, and the School of Veterinary Medicine. Questions or access issues should be directed to the Health Sciences Complex Security Office at HSLC 1375 or (608) 262-3058 or hscsecurity@mhub.uwpd.wisc.edu

Assistance

The library serves the UW-Madison faculty, staff, and students, UW Health staff, community health professionals and Wisconsin residents. Onsite library assistance is available to patrons from 9 AM – 4 PM weekdays.

Each year our expert staff answers 2,500+ reference questions and performs over 300 literature searches. We can save you time and effort. We answer quick reference questions such as verifying a citation, finding a statistic, or work with you on in-depth questions when researching a health topic, or preparing a grant proposal or journal publication. We can also find a few key articles on a topic or pull together an exhaustive list of relevant articles for a meta-analysis or systematic review.

Our team of expert librarians also conduct over 250 instructional sessions each year. These sessions cover several topics of interest to our clientele including:

- Finding the best evidence
- Power searching in specific databases (PubMed, Scopus, CINAHL, etc.)
- Keeping up to date with the literature using database tools or apps
- Data management
- Citation/pdf management using a citation manager

We recommend that UW-Madison and UW Health patrons seeking reference assistance, literature search support, or library instruction contact their appropriate experts (liaisons).

Our full list of liaisons are at http://ebling.library.wisc.edu/services/ liaison-librarians/

Onsite Resources

The library houses computer workstations: 72 dual boot iMacs (Net ID access) and 17 public Windows workstations, laser printers, and free scanners. The library circulates 20 MacBook Air and 20 Dell Latitude laptops (3-day period) for the UW community. Laptop users must present a valid UW ID + a second photo ID. We also circulate digital camcorders, cameras, audio recorders, projectors and several adapters.

In addition to its large contemporary book collection, Ebling Library is home to an exceptional Rare Books & Special Collections (RBSC) dating from the late 15th century to 1923. These books, journals and artifacts are available to campus and the public via the Library Catalog or by contacting Historical Services & Resources.

Online Resources

The library offers access to health sciences resources including 4,000 online journals, thousands of online books and several clinical and literature databases. Our collection of databases includes:

- BMJ Best Practice
- UpToDate
- DynaMed
- CINAHL
- WEB OF SCIENCE
- Cochrane Library
- BBox
- Lexicomp
- PsycINFO
- SPORTDiscus
Remote access
Access to resources is available to all from any computer on the UW network or wireless system. Patrons with active UW NetIDs can access resources from anywhere in the world via Ebling Library’s website at http://ebling.library.wisc.edu. Restricted resources require a NetID and password.
Activate your NetID at https://www.mynetid.wisc.edu/activate with your 11-digit number on your UW ID (11th digit is the issue code). To obtain a UW ID card, contact the Photo ID Office at room 149, Union South at (608) 262-3258. For more info, see http://www.wiscard.wisc.edu/ or email wiscard@union.wisc.edu.
Please note Ebling Library cannot provide NetIDs for non-affiliated patrons.

Finding full-text journal articles
From the Ebling Library website, search any literature database and click on the Find It! or use the Article Search in the Ebling Library search box. If the full-text is not available, a link to request a copy will appear. Full-text requests are normally filled within 1-2 business days.

Finding books and digital media
To find materials in UW-Madison or UW System libraries, use the Library Catalog from the Ebling Library homepage. If the item is not available, try U-Borrow at http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.web/uborrow to find and place requests for books directly from 13 major research libraries.
Interlibrary Loan at https://www.library.wisc.edu/borrow-request/interlibrary-loan/ is available for items that are not found in either catalog.

Material delivery
Items checked out using the Library Catalog or U-Borrow may be delivered to a campus library of your choice. If you are UW-Madison faculty and staff with a campus address or mailbox, you can have items sent to your office (see https://www.library.wisc.edu/borrow-request/borrowing-policies/office-delivery/)
If your home/office lies outside of Dane County, items with a return mailer can be sent to you from UW-Madison Libraries. See the Distance Library Service website at: https://www.library.wisc.edu/borrow-request/distance-services/obtaining-library-materials/