Getting Started
A Guide for Scholars in the Biological, Health & Marine Sciences

**Things To Do First**

- **Bookmark the Library website**
  [http://library.ucsd.edu](http://library.ucsd.edu)
- **Find Research Guides by Subject**
  [http://lib.ucsd.edu/libguides](http://lib.ucsd.edu/libguides)
- **Set up off-campus access**
  [http://lib.ucsd.edu/remote-access](http://lib.ucsd.edu/remote-access)
- **Create a PIN in Roger**
  [http://lib.ucsd.edu/library-account](http://lib.ucsd.edu/library-account)
- **Your UCSD ID is your Library Card**

**Library Catalogs**

- **Roger** [http://roger.ucsd.edu](http://roger.ucsd.edu)  
  UC San Diego collections
- **Melvyl** [http://ucsd.worldcat.org/](http://ucsd.worldcat.org/)  
  [Use the Request button](http://lib.ucsd.edu) to get materials from other campuses
- **Circuit** [http://circuit.sdsu.edu/](http://circuit.sdsu.edu/)  
  San Diego area collections

**Subject & Course Guides**

LibGuides identify selected resources for your area of research or for specific classes. They highlight high quality resources, hand-selected for your needs, like databases, e-books, style guides, citation management systems, scholarly communication, patents, and research data management. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/libguides](http://lib.ucsd.edu/libguides)

**Databases**

Already know what you are looking for? Launch databases from the Library website for full features. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/databases-a-z](http://lib.ucsd.edu/databases-a-z)

**Use UC-eLinks**

Use UC-eLinks to find the full text of an article online, locate a print copy, or initiate an interlibrary loan request when the item is not available in the Library.

**Physical Collections**

Print resources for the Biomedical Sciences are primarily located on the second floor of the Biomedical Library Building. Print resources for the Biological and Marine Sciences are primarily located in the Geisel Library. Find specific locations in Roger [http://roger.ucsd.edu](http://roger.ucsd.edu)

**Interlibrary Loan**

UC San Diego students, faculty, and staff may request books and articles that are not available at UC San Diego. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/ill](http://lib.ucsd.edu/ill)

**Articles Delivered to your Desktop**

Users based at Hillcrest/East Campus and SIO may request free desktop delivery of articles and book chapters from any of the library’s print collection by using the **Request It** from within UC-eLinks.

**Special Collections & Archives**

Housing a wide range of primary resources, our collections include rare books, manuscripts, periodicals, maps, photographs, artworks, films, sound recordings, archives, and digital files curated to support UC San Diego research interests. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/sca](http://lib.ucsd.edu/sca)

**Digital Collections**

Find a range of documents, images, audio, video, and data sets collected, managed and preserved by the Library. [http://library.ucsd.edu/dc](http://library.ucsd.edu/dc)

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**Our Website**
Access Library resources and services, like specialized article databases, electronic books and journals, hours, and much more. [http://library.ucsd.edu](http://library.ucsd.edu)

**Ask A Librarian / Reference**
Email, chat, phone, or text: [http://lib.ucsd.edu/ask](http://lib.ucsd.edu/ask)

**Hours**
[http://lib.ucsd.edu/hours](http://lib.ucsd.edu/hours)

**Phone Numbers**

- **General** (858)534-3336
- **Research Assistance** (858)822-0450
- **Reserves** (858)534-1212
- **Interlibrary Loan** (858)534-2528
- **Library Commons / Technology Assistance** (858)534-3258

**Subject Specialists**
[http://lib.ucsd.edu/subject-specialists](http://lib.ucsd.edu/subject-specialists)

**Social Media**

- **Library Blog** [http://library.ucsd.edu/blogs/](http://library.ucsd.edu/blogs/)
- **Biomedical News Blog Channel** Select under Categories from main library blog
- **Library Twitter Account** [http://twitter.com/ucsdlibrary](http://twitter.com/ucsdlibrary)
- **Library Instagram** [http://www.instagram.com/ucsdlibrary](http://www.instagram.com/ucsdlibrary)
**Scholarly Communication Services**
Consultations, guides, and workshops on copyright/fair use, author's rights and publishing options, to support raising the visibility of your research and online scholarly identity. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/scholcom](http://lib.ucsd.edu/scholcom)

**Annex**
Many books and journals are kept in the Annex (off-site storage). If you find an item located in the Annex while you’re searching Roger, simply hit the Request button to have it delivered to campus. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/annex-materials](http://lib.ucsd.edu/annex-materials) explains how to request an article or book chapter from an item at the Annex.

If you need to view large runs of journals or other items, you may visit the Annex (located in the Miramar area off Trade Street) in person between 8am and 2pm Monday through Friday by making an appointment in advance. Email AnnexVisit@ucsd.edu to schedule your appointment.

**Course Reserves**
Access online course reserve materials, find call number and location for other formats, or place materials on reserve: [http://reserves.ucsd.edu](http://reserves.ucsd.edu)
Tutorials and FAQs: [http://lib.ucsd.edu/faculty-course-reserves](http://lib.ucsd.edu/faculty-course-reserves)

**Research Data Curation Program (RDCP)**
RDCP services focus on data management best practices, data management plans, sharing & discovery, digital preservation, training, consultations, and grant-writing support. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/rdcp](http://lib.ucsd.edu/rdcp)

**Data Services**
Assists with identifying, locating and acquiring data in all formats. Offers support with software packages such as R, Python, Stata, SAS & SPSS and can help you clean and prepare your data for analysis. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/data-services](http://lib.ucsd.edu/data-services)

**Data and GIS Lab**
ArcGIS, QGIS, Python, R, Stata, SPSS, SAS, SketchUp PRO, and Tableau Pro. The Lab also provides access to a variety of geospatial, economic, and financial datasets. A staff member is available to assist with software use, data access, large format scanning, and other items. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/data-gis-lab](http://lib.ucsd.edu/data-gis-lab)

**Digital Media Lab (DML)**
Multimedia project assistance, advanced software, 3D printing, and virtual reality, plus the suite of Lynda.com online tutorials. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/dml](http://lib.ucsd.edu/dml)

**Tech Lending Program**
Cameras, media tools, projectors, adapters/cables, and more [http://lib.ucsd.edu/tech-lending](http://lib.ucsd.edu/tech-lending)

**Browse Current Issues of Journals Online**
BrowZine is a current awareness service (accessible via laptop, desktop, and mobile devices) that lets you browse, read, and monitor your favorite scholarly journals. [http://lib.ucsd.edu/browzine](http://lib.ucsd.edu/browzine)

**Spaces for Graduate Students**
TA/Instructor Office Hours in the Library [http://lib.ucsd.edu/academic-consulting-space](http://lib.ucsd.edu/academic-consulting-space)
Graduate Study Lounge – 24 hour access, for all disciplines, Biomedical Library Building [http://lib.ucsd.edu/grad-study-lounge](http://lib.ucsd.edu/grad-study-lounge)
Graduate Student lockers – for all disciplines, reserve for up to 3 academic terms [http://lib.ucsd.edu/grad-student-lockers](http://lib.ucsd.edu/grad-student-lockers)