Virtual Library News



RefWorks: Bibliography Management Just Got Easier

Ever groaned about the tedious work of putting references into a bibliography? Maybe you've wished for a magic way to move citations from your bibliography to your paper?

Your groans and wishes have been heard and the UNTDC Library has something to help you. RefWorks is a research management tool that quickly takes citations from electronic database searches and stores them in your own bibliography. Most major databases, like EBSCOhost and Proquest Online have an export button which includes RefWorks as an export option.

But wait! It gets even better. One of Ref-Works tools is called Write-N-Cite which allows you to run Ref-Works in your word processor. This way, at the touch of a button, vou can input the references stored in your RefWorks bibliography directly into the paper you are currently writing.

Another handy tool is RefGrab-It which uses RefWorks magic to get citation information from normal websites.

Of course you are now thinking, "Sure this sounds cool, but how easy is it to use?" The good news is that it is very easy to navigate and use.

RefWorks allows you to create folders with names that make sense to you. You can then organize your bibliography however you want by class, by topic, by journal, or whatever seems best to you.

RefWorks is available through UNT's Electronic Databases and on your initial visit you will need to set up a username and password.

Stop by the UNTDC Library today to learn more about RefWorks. If vou need someone to explain the set-up process or the use of Ref-Works we will be happy to spend time with you so you can understand how to use this amazing new resource.

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Special points of interest:

- RefWorks
- Career Collection
 - Group Study Rooms
- **Printer Policy**
- Library Blog
- Kids College

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Looking for a quiet place to study?



The UNTDC Library offers the only quiet study space on campus. Whether you prefer a comfy chair, a table where you can spread-out, or a place to plug in your lap-top, we have the space for you.

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Library 2.0: Interact with Information

The next time you need a mental break from all the database searching you do through Electronic Resources, pop on over to the **UNTDC Library Blog!** The address is: http:// untdclibrary.blogspot.co m/

The blog has current info about new reference books, library hours, and miscellaneous information the librarians find on the Internet that will be helpful in your research, or maybe just plain fun.

Along the right side there are links to the most commonly used Electronic Resources such as EBSCOhost. Proquest, and LexisNexis. And below that are links to helpful

Internet resources for citations, the Texshare program, taxes, and research related websites.

There is a monthly faculty feature that highlights one of UNTDC's professors.

Please feel free to leave comments about the posts.



Printing Woes? Not any more...

For those of you who were left waiting for what seemed like hours to get your print job until someone finished printing off their 300 pages of research, we have some good news. We will now be strictly enforcing the Printing Policy.

As always, the printers are to be used for class work only and use is restricted to current UNTDC students.

Perhaps most importantly, "a user is not allowed to make more than 20 pages of laser print per print job" and "multiple copies of the same print job are not allowed" (UNT printing policy).

The reason for this rule is to keep one person's long print job from keeping others held up as well. This means that for print jobs over 20 pages,

each set of 20 pages must be printed in separate print jobs.

We suggest you set the printer to doublesided whenever possible to save on paper

waste. Copies can be made on the xerox copier, housed in the Library, for 10 cents/copy.

Please see http://www.gacl.unt.edu/ policy.php#Printing for more information about UNTDC printing policies and procedures.



Searching for a Job?: Career Development Resources

UNT Dallas Campus Student Development has been collecting books and guides related to careers in the many disciplines offered at this campus. Those books and guides are now shelved in the Library on Aisle 1. They are a great resource for anyone looking for a job, considering a career change, or just interested in what options might be available when that long-awaited graduation day finally comes. The books

are available for 7 day check-out.



Thomas Finley

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Larry Phillips

LIBRARY ASSISTANT **NEWS:**

We want to welcome our new Library Assistant Thomas Finley who started working at the **UNTDC Library in Janu**ary. Like all the Library Assistants, Thomas is a graduate student in UNT's School of Library and Information Science. He also works at the Dallas Public Library.

Also, congratulations to Library Assistant Larry Phillips who received his **Masters in Library** Science in December.

January/February 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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13	Classes Begin	15	16	17	18	19
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February/March 2008

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That's Entertainment!

The Library isn't only about serious research and hitting the books. Because we want you to be successful in your studies, we are asking you to take a break every so often and give your brain a rest. It deserves it!

For awhile the Library has sponsored a Book Swap, and now we would like to introduce a Movie Swap.

Here's how they work:

1. Stop by a swap station and check out what's

available

- When you see something you like, you can borrow it. You don't need to check it out—we trust you to bring it back.
- When you are done with the book or movie, just return it to its swap station.
- Oh, and while you're at it, why not bring some of your old paperback books and Movies to share with everyone else.

That last step is very important! If you've noticed that the

supply at your favorite swap station is dwindling, it's your job to fix the problem. Any gently used paperback, VHS tape or DVD may be added to the collection.

"Where are these swap stations?" you ask. Good question! The Book Swap station is located by the North doors, near the snack/bookstore. The Movie Swap station is located just inside the Library doors on the right.

Stop by and join in the fun today! (Sorry, popcorn is not included.)

March/April 2008

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April/May 2008

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Kids' College

Every year the UNTOC Library takes part in a program called Kids' College. This January it was hosted on the UNT Dallas Campus and the theme was "Critical Thinking." We had 40 elementary school children on campus on January 19, learning about college life, and what it is all about. They also played critical thinking games, like word chain, and got active with Simon Says! At the end of the day, they solved the mystery, "Where is Jenny the Jaguar?" and found out that her favorite food was cheese pizza! Then, they ate some awesome pizza too! This is one of the many educational programs the UNTOC Library supports.



Group Work Made Easy (Well, Easier...)

We've all been there—you are assigned a group project, but everyone in your group lives in a different part of the city. The only place that's central is the campus, but you need a quiet place to concentrate where you can still be free to talk. The Library feels your pain and that's why we have two group study rooms available for you.

We recommend that you reserve the rooms in advance to make sure they are available for you when you need them.

They can be reserved in blocks for up to 2 hours with the option to add more time if nobody else

needs the room.

And for those classes that require recorded interviews, one of the group study rooms is equipped with a DVD camera that records onto DVD-Rs and DVD-RWs.

If you have questions, stop by the service desk in the Library and someone can assist you in making your reservation.





<u>Back row L-R</u>: Cassandra M., Ryan B., Larry P., John L., Sally, R., Beth W., <u>Seated L-R</u>: Mandie, R., Anna H., <u>Not pictured</u>: Leora K., Cindy B., Jack B., Thomas F.

DID YOU KNOW?

- There is a coffee/ snack shop located just outside the library. In addition to exciting flavors of coffee, you can also purchase tea, smoothies, hot dogs and other snacks!
- Speaking of snacks, did you know the bookstore snack shop (located by the vending machines and restrooms) has more to offer than iust books and snacks? You can also get UNT Dallas gear like caps and shirts, and all sorts of school supplies. You can even get recordable DVDs for the video equipment in the library study rooms!
- There is an interactive Writing Tutorial CD-Rom available for free in the library for anyone who would like some help with topics such as APA style, Composition, and Research. Ask a librarian!
- Many of the library handouts, such as APA style guides and course subject research guides, are available on our website
- There are over 370 electronic databases available through the library website
- The first public library appeared over 2300 years ago!



70 UNTDC students signed up for TexShare cards in the Fall 2007 semester. That means there were 70 people able to check out materials from any participating TexShare Library in the State!

Come by the Library to get a TexShare card so you too can take advantage of this service.

TexShare cards are available to all UNTDC students and they expire after each semester. For more info go to Texshare.org

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