

STUDENT SERVICES

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Libraries

Central Library – VUB Campus – Building C

Tel: +32 (0)2 629 25 05

www.vub.ac.be/BIBLIO/index_en.html

Opening hours during Academic Year:

Mon-Thu: 9:00-21:00

Fri: 9:00-19:00

Sat: 10:00-16:00

Main Library – ULB, Solbosch Campus – Building NB

Tel: +32(0)2 6502377

www.bib.ulb.ac.be

Students have full access to books and other materials shelved in open stacks. Users may obtain assistance from the Computer Search and Interlibrary Loan services. Three specialized libraries are available. On the main campus the central library-supporting the humanities, the social sciences and the natural and formalized sciences-provides collections for students in all curricular areas. Library holdings number more than 400,000 volumes and 2,800 periodicals.

Vesalius College students have full access to the library facilities of the French speaking Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB). Registration may be done at the loan desk of the ULB library, Solbosch Campus - Building NB. The ULB has campuses adjacent to and close by the VUB main campus. Both libraries have made arrangements for reciprocal use of their collections.

Vesalius College students may also use The Royal Library Albert I (Koninklijke Bibliotheek van België/Bibliothèque Royale de Belgique), which is situated in the centre of Brussels and can be easily reached by public transport. Registration and an annual fee are required to use the Royal Library (note: there is no lending. It is on the spot consultation only). Together, the three libraries have a collection of more than five million books. To avoid unnecessary transfers, prior consultation of the respective catalogues is recommended.

Self-Study Centre

Location: Building F, Level 1

This centre provides a place for students to study and consult reference books, dictionaries and periodicals. There are also collections of slides and videos that complement the lecture courses. The centres also have computers and printers that students can use. No books, materials or equipment may be taken out of the centres.

Computer Facilities

Locations: Vesalius College: Pleinlaan 5 and VUB campus, building B, level 0 (B002 & B006); building E, level 1

Students have access to the VUB computer centres and to the dedicated computer room at Vesalius. Word processing, spreadsheet, database software and printers are available.

A data communications network, called VUBnet, connects most of the computer equipment available on the three VUB campuses. Fiber optic links and Ethernet cabling between all buildings provide for fast data transfers and easy access to local and remote servers. VUBnet ties into the Internet and, in particular, to Belnet, the Belgian Research network.

English and Math Workspace

The English and Math Workspace is a place where students who are struggling with language or math skills can come for assistance. It is located on the ground floor of Pleinlaan 5, near the Vesalius College classrooms.

Students who wish to get this extra help can get in touch with Kate Connelly Ph.D (kate.connelly@vub.ac.be) or can drop in during her office hours for English language, grammar and syntax but also with thesis, the structure and formatting of written assignments, research skills and bibliographies.

Our Math for Business and Economics and Information Systems professor, Dr Koen Lefever will be offering numeracy assistance and tutoring for Stats, Math, etc. Students can get in touch with him at kolefeve@vub.ac.be.

Counselling Service

The school counsellor, Lise Skinnebach, provides confidential help for students with personal concerns, which may or may not be related to studying. Our professional psychologist helps students deal with their emotional, academic or relationship difficulties, as well as assists students to overcome culture shock and homesickness. For students with special problems, the counsellor works closely together with a team of qualified specialists.

Appointments may be made at the Vesalius College Reception or by phone.

Career Service

Vesalius College employs a career counsellor, Mona Shair (vesalius@key2advance.com), to help students, especially those in their last year, to explore their career options and search for employment. Meetings and services are announced during the semester to students in their last year. This service includes CV and cover letter writing workshops, interview training and networking sessions and seminars.

Dining

Locations: Cafeteria, KulturKaffee, Sports Cafe (all on VUB Campus)
Reduced prices for students are available at the cafeteria upon presentation of the VUB student ID card. The KulturKaffee is a place for dining as well as entertainment and live music is often offered at weekends. Beyond the campus, there are numerous cafes, restaurants and "friteries" that cater to the student lifestyle.

Sports Facilities

All Vesalius students are permitted to make use of the VUB campus athletic facilities including track and field, weight room and swimming pool (for a fee). Additionally, Vesalius students may join VUB sports club teams. Vesalius College also fields its own sports teams, including a women's football (soccer) team. On campus athletics at the VUB sports complex:

Aerobics	Basketball	Self-defence
Badminton	Boxing	Squash
Basketball	Diving	Swimming
Boxing	Football (soccer)	Tennis
Diving	Gymnastics	Volleyball
Football (soccer)	Judo	Weightlifting
Gymnastics	Rock climbing	Yoga
Aerobics	Rugby	
Badminton	Running	