STUDENT SERVICES

For further information on items in this section see the Vesalius College website (www.vesalius.edu).

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

On the main VUB campus the central library--supporting the humanities, the social sciences and the natural and formalised sciences--provides collections for students in all curricular areas. Students have full access to books and other materials shelved in open stacks and may obtain assistance from the computer search and interlibrary loan services. Library holdings number more than 400,000 volumes and 2,800 periodicals, as well as access to many online resources.

Vesalius College students also 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, only consultation on site).

Together, the three libraries have a collection of more than five million books. To avoid unnecessary travelling, prior consultation of their online 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.

Each student also has a VUB computer account which can be activated after registering at Vesalius College. Linked to this account is an email address (http://webmail.vub.ac.be) and access to the online learning platform Pointcarré (http://pointcarre.vesalius.edu). They also have access to the VUB wireless network VUBnet using their dedicated VUB computer account. Instructions can be found on the Vesalius College website and in the orientation pack.

Students can keep track of their schedule and grades via the student portal (http://studentportal.vesalius.edu).

A data communications network, called VUBnet, connects most of the computer equipment available on the three VUB campuses. Fibre 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.

Students who wish to get this extra help with English can get in touch with the person in charge (to be confirmed). This person will deal with problems in English language, grammar and syntax, as well as with the structure and formatting of written assignments, research skills and bibliographies.

Numeracy assistance and tutoring are offered for statistics and mathematics. Students who wish to get this extra help can get in touch with the person in charge (to be confirmed).

Learning Support

Learning Support at Vesalius College offers limited administrative assistance to all students with medically documented special needs requirements, such as dyslexia and attention deficit disorder. The assistance is offered in the form of extra time allowed for final exams, if requested. Special Needs Students are given the option of taking their final exams at the same time as the other students in the class, in a separate classroom or with a separate proctor, and are allowed up to 50% extra time to complete their exams. For more information, please contact Ms. Louise Bond at lbond@vub.ac.be.
Counselling Service

The College Psychologist Alex Anghelou provides confidential help for students with personal concerns, which may or may not be related to their studies. Our professional psychologist helps students deal with their emotional, academic or relationship difficulties, as well as assisting them to overcome culture shock and homesickness. For students with special problems, our psychologist works closely together with a team of other qualified specialists. Appointments may be made by sending Alex an e-mail to: anghelou@gmail.com.

Career Service

Vesalius College employs a career counsellor, Mona Shair (vesalius@key2advane.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, Sports Cafe (all on VUB Campus)

Reduced prices for students are available at the cafeteria upon presentation of the VUB student ID card. It offers a wide range of sandwiches upstairs and two complete menus from Monday to Friday, one vegetarian menu, pasta bar, salad bar and grill in the freeflow restaurant downstairs. These menus include soup, dessert and tap water.

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. Facilities for the following sports are available at the VUB sports complex:

- Aerobics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Boxing
- Diving
- Diving (soccer)
- Football (soccer)
- Gymnastics
- Aerobics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Boxing
- Diving
- Diving (soccer)
- Football (soccer)
- Gymnastics
- Aerobics
- Badminton

Self-defence
Squash
Swimming
Tennis
Volleyball
Weightlifting
Yoga

Running