New International Students Library Presentation (Pts 1 and 2)

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Today’s Goal: Introduce You to Effective UCR Library Use During COVID-19
Pt. 1: Basic Information

General

UCR ID Card; NetID & Password
Your Library Card. Student ID Number and a separate Library Card Number (21210... below the bar code) https://ucrcard.ucr.edu/students
Your UCR NetID & Password are key to accessing UCR’s resources. https://its.ucr.edu/service-catalog/accounts-passwords

UCR Library Website
Library home page is https://library.ucr.edu/. It is the starting point for your research and contains information about the library, its services, its resources, with instructions and tutorials for use. Take some time to explore this website and discover its organization and contents.

Connect from Off-Campus Use in conjunction with your UCR netid and password.
Use the GlobalProtect VPN to utilize the Library’s resources. Set up your VPN right away! Instructions at Connect From Off-Campus. Check out the Duo Mobile App. LibGuide at https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/connecting (also video links on how to install GlobalProtect). Hint: to obtain the LibGuide without using the preceding link, type “vpn” in the Onesearch box and look at the results in the “Library Guides” box.

Getting Help
Click on the Ask Us option at the top of the home page. Features: Chat, Text, Call (for now, limited), Email, and Consultation Appointment (most likely online, but email or phone are also options.)
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General (cont’d)

*** The UCR Library (Orbach Science Library, Tomás Rivera Library) is closed. 😞
Except for limited curbside delivery, **access is primarily electronic.**

* Library Resources & Services for Remote Users [https://library.ucr.edu/using-the-library/covid-19](https://library.ucr.edu/using-the-library/covid-19) (also as “Remote Services FAQ” within the “Resources & Services for UCR Remote Users” box. **Curbside delivery** started this summer. For instructions on using this service see [https://library.ucr.edu/about/news/curbside-library-delivery-starts-june-15](https://library.ucr.edu/about/news/curbside-library-delivery-starts-june-15) (check the UCR Catalog, use paging request, directions to pick-up and drop-off points) **(Note: HathiTrust TAS exception!)**

* Expanded/Free Access During COVID-19 Closure  [https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/extracovidaccess](https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/extracovidaccess) (Important)

** UCR Catalog
From the Library’s home page, click on [UCR Catalog](https://library.ucr.edu/about/services/learning-catalog) to use this resource. For a [video tutorial](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L2M2Pk_OBZA) on the UCR Catalog, [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L2M2Pk_OBZA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L2M2Pk_OBZA). Here’s a link to a [LibGuide](https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/UCR_Catalog) for the UCR Catalog [https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/UCR_Catalog](https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/UCR_Catalog) (guide also contains a link to video).

** Melvyl
The discovery platform for all the UC Libraries, Melvyl also connects to the larger research world. The UCR Library LibGuide to Melvyl (updated 2018) - [https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/melvyl](https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/melvyl). Melvyl is maintained by the California Digital Library (CDL). Their set of pages about Melvyl can be found at [https://cdlib.org/services/d2d/melvyl/](https://cdlib.org/services/d2d/melvyl/) (Check the left column for contents of information about Melvyl.)
UC Merced has a brief Melvyl tutorial (2019) here [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sOicWmnlumg&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sOicWmnlumg&feature=youtu.be)
Basic Information
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*** UC e-Links: critical to know about for use with Melvyl and the databases. Provides access option information, so look for UCR’s LibGuide Using UC e-Links https://guides.lib.ucr.edu/ucelinks. For information from the CDL https://cdlib.org/services/d2d/ucelinks/ (Check the left column for contents of UC e-Links information.) You can set UC e-Links on Google Scholar! Check the LibGuide http://guides.lib.ucr.edu/googlescholar, save the changes to your profile, and remember to activate the VPN when you search Google Scholar.

Take a Break!
Pt. 2: Library Website Exploration

About the Library  At the Library Homepage, click on the fifth and sixth options on the gray bar for more general details (Libraries and About).

Using the Library  (at Library Homepage)
The first option on the gray bar under the UC Riverside logo, Using the Library https://library.ucr.edu/using-the-library, this page lists categories of services and options available to you. Except for “Resources for Remote Users,” many of the services are tied to the physical library itself and will not be available during the COVID-19 closure. Keep this portion of the Library’s website in mind when we re-open our buildings and services.

Collections  (at Library Homepage)
To get a better idea of the kinds of materials we collect, utilize the third option on the gray bar, Collections https://library.ucr.edu/collections. Follow the links to see our collecting areas, notable collections, and new resources. On the page is also an option to suggest a purchase.
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** Research Services**  This is the second option on the Library Homepage gray bar [https://library.ucr.edu/research-services](https://library.ucr.edu/research-services).

*** Research Fundamentals***  Also, at [https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/research-fundamentals](https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/research-fundamentals) ***

Key page! This page provides links to video tutorials, LibGuides, and other information that will develop your research skills, whether it be new to you or a refresher. Take the time and invest in yourself. Sections here include: *Build Your Toolkit, Plagiarism and Citation*, and *More for Your Toolkit*.

** How Do I Find?**  Also, at [https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/how-do-i-find](https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/how-do-i-find)

Whether you’re just starting out or using a new type of resource for the first time, stop by this page to learn more about the item and where to locate it in our Library system. Examples: *Books & E-books, Dissertations & Theses, Maps & GIS, Patents & Trademarks*, and more.

* Subject Guides

As you become more exposed to research you will identify the major resources in your discipline. It can come from experts and researchers in the fields, guides to the literature, bibliographies, or handbooks. One way to start is to consult *Subject Guides* [https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/subject-guides](https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/subject-guides) under *Research Services* (from the drop-down menu or list on the left). Each guide defines the discipline and identifies specialized resources, some quick reference items, popular databases, tools and tutorials, and related information. The Library’s subject specialists are also listed.
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Research Services (cont’d)

*** Databases

The Databases link (from the Research Services drop-down menu or list on the left) https://library.ucr.edu/research-services/databases is so heavily used, that it is also on the Library’s Homepage as one of the options in the Popular box. The page lists all of our databases. Note the codes and the filters on the left: Attributes, Format, and Subject Areas (very broad). There is also a Subject drop-down menu. (Hint: if your subject/discipline does not appear, think of a department at UCR.)

* Other Sections of Research Services

As you proceed in your academic career, return to the Research Services section of the Library Website for other resources and services to help you. For example, Managing Your Data, Grant Support, and Publish Your Research. You don’t have to tackle all these aspects now but know that they exist to help you when you get to those stages.

And, whether it ties in with your research or something you want to do for FUN (because that is also important), look at CREAT’R Lab and Maker Services for a description of the Creat’R Lab, UCR’s maker space located in the Orbach Science Library.

Although it is closed for now, you can check the Library’s Homepage and scroll down to WORKSHOPS & EVENTS to see what workshops are being offered (online). When we return to campus, be sure to visit the Creat’R Lab. Many of the classes offered at the lab are taught by UCR students.

✔ Check https://library.ucr.edu on a regular basis to see what is new or what has changed, such as the section on “News” or “Workshops & Events.”
Thanks for your attention!

Questions? (Check the Ask Us page)

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