The Leon S. McGoogan Health Sciences Library of Medicine is the library of UNMC and the only state-supported academic health sciences library in Nebraska. The library completed a renovation in 2020 that optimized study space to include 54 study rooms and three Reflection Rooms. The library is located in Wittson Hall.

**McGoogan Library Website**

The McGoogan Library website, [https://www.unmc.edu/library/](http://www.unmc.edu/library/), serves as a gateway to online information resources. Online journals, books, and databases are available through the library website and many are formatted for mobile devices. Online resources are available off-campus provided the user has a UNMC NetID and password. Social networking allows the library to keep library users informed via a blog, Facebook, and Twitter.

**Library Contact Information**

AskUs Desk (main library number).................................
402-559-6221

Library Service Hours (excluding UNMC holidays)

Business Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

After Hours: Accessible with a UNMC ID Badge

Public spaces and study rooms on Level 6 and Level 7 are accessible 24 hours per day, 7 days per week for UNMC faculty, staff, and students. A current UNMC ID badge is required for building access outside of the business hours listed above and should be worn and viewable while in the library.

**Student Library Fee**

A student fee of $6.25 per credit hour is assessed to all UNMC students for purchasing library collections. Regardless of location, students can access library collections. Students enrolled in online programs have the same online access as students physically located on other campuses of the University of Nebraska.

**Borrowing Privileges**

All UNMC students may borrow library materials by presenting their UNMC ID badge and completing additional registration information at the library’s AskUs Desk. Borrowing privileges will not be granted without a valid UNMC ID badge.

**Loan Periods for Library Materials**

- eBooks: 2 weeks, with 2 renewals
- Review Books: 1 week, with 1 renewal
- Print Journals: 1 week, with 2 renewals
- Anatomical models: 1 week with 1 renewal

Items may be renewed in-person at the AskUs Desk, by phone (402-559-6221) and online. Items may be renewed provided no one else has placed a hold on the item.

Books in the general collection and anatomical models are available during library service hours.

A courtesy reminder will be sent via email for overdue items.

**Unpaid Library Charges**

For lost items, the library will charge the full replacement cost, plus a processing fee. Fees can be paid online at [https://app1.unmc.edu/forms/library/fines/](https://app1.unmc.edu/forms/library/fines/).

If there are unpaid library fees on a student’s account, library borrowing privileges will be suspended and the student will not be able to register for classes, request transcripts, access records on the student website, or request any type of enrollment verification. Holds will also be placed on the student account for activities on other NU campuses.

Overdue fines are waived for items returned past their due date, but replacement billing procedures will be begin after a period of time (see policies under About Us on the library’s website).

**Online Resources**

The library subscribes to more than 32,000 electronic journals and 58,000 eBooks. The library also provides access to several literature databases, including MEDLINE, CINAHL, Scopus, and Embase. Online articles are embedded within the literature databases via the GetIt!@UNMC button. Clinical resources, such as UpToDate, AccessMedicine, and LexiComp are also available. Library staff can assist in locating specific items. Online books, journals, and other resources can be found via the library’s website. Online resources require a UNMC Net ID and password for off-campus access.

**Education & Research Services**

Education and Research Services librarians are available to assist with information resources. Librarians also offer consultations for developing effective search strategies for information retrieval. Educational sessions are available for groups or individuals throughout the year.

Librarians can be reached by:

Email: askus@unmc.edu

Phone: 402-559-6221

Text: 402-370-5016

Chat via our website: [https://www.unmc.edu/library/](https://www.unmc.edu/library/)

**Interlibrary Loan**

Interlibrary loan (ILL) is a service for requesting articles and books that are not in the library’s collection and for requesting scans of items from the library’s print collection. Requests for these services can be made online through the library’s ILL page (located under Services on the library’s website) or via the GetIt!@UNMC button found within literature databases. To create an account, log in with your UNMC NetID.
and password. Turnaround time for receipt of an article is usually 1-2 business days. There is no charge for this service.

Consumer Health Information Resource Service

Do you need health information for patients or a patient's family? The library provides information at no charge through the Consumer Health Information Resource Service (CHIRS). A librarian will research the condition and provide a tailored package of information that may include journal articles, book chapters, pamphlets, and web resources. CHIRS information is provided for informational purposes only. More information on this service is available at https://www.unmc.edu/library/consumer (https://www.unmc.edu/library/consumer/).

Study Rooms

The library has 42 individual and 12 group study rooms that may be reserved through the UNMC room scheduling website at https://unmcscheduling.nebraska.edu. Study rooms have a four-hour maximum time limit on reservations within a 24 hour period. Reservations can be made within two weeks of the desired date of use.

Writing Center @ UNMC

Students are welcome to work with a writing consultant from the UNO Writing Center on any writing project. This free service is appropriate for writing assignments, application essays, business letters, or other projects. The Writing Center @ UNMC is sponsored by Academic Affairs. Appointment can be made at https://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-arts-and-sciences/writing-center/index.php.

Jim and Karen Linder Maker Studio

The library's Maker Studio is equipped with technology and other tools for the purpose of creation and prototyping educational, clinical, and research materials. Library staff facilitates access to the Maker Studio and provides workshops but may not necessarily have the skills to assist you with your project. All users are required to complete an in-person safety orientation.

3D Printing

The library provides 3D printing services on demand to support students' research, educational, and clinical projects. Library staff can print 3D models from your design. The library welcomes prototyping and can advise on the potential success of prints, but does not offer design consultations at this time.

Reflection Rooms

The library's three Reflection Rooms, located on Level 7, are provided for quiet reflection and wellness. Rooms may contain massage chairs, yoga mats, soft lighting, and art. Reflection rooms may be reserved through the UNMC room scheduling website at https://unmcscheduling.nebraska.edu.

Dissertation / Thesis Binding

Upon request, the library will arrange for bound copies of student dissertations and theses. A fee of $25 per copy covers the cost of binding and processing. Students must provide paper copies for the bound volumes and can drop them off at the library's AskUs Desk during regular service hours. Bound volumes can be picked up or mailed for a flat fee of $10 when ready. Request information and payment is made online at https://app1.unmc.edu/forms/library/binding/. More information about the service can be found on the library's website under the Services section.

Special Collections and Archives

The library collects historical materials such as UNMC archives, rare books and other historical works, materials related to the health sciences in Nebraska, and artifacts. Collections will be publicly inaccessible for a portion of the 2020-21 academic year but are otherwise accessible via appointment. Archivists and librarians can provide support for your historical research. Selected collections will be showcased the Wigton Heritage Center, opening 2021.

Archivists and librarians can be reached by:

Email: history.unmc.edu
Phone: 402-836-9538