

The use of myUnisa in the Library environment

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Personal Librarian Functions

The Personal Librarians are responsible for satisfying the information needs of the academics by:

- Liaising with academic staff / understanding their information needs
- Creating alerting and current awareness profiles
- Conducting advanced subject searches
- Training of customers in the use of electronic information resources
- Rendering assistance with the structuring of course material (Tut 101)
- Marketing library services



In short...

To provide access to global information through services appropriate to ODL...



myUnisa

The myUnisa student portal has been developed to:

- supplement and enhance academic interaction; and
- improve communication between Unisa staff and staff and students



myUnisa Library project sites

- The primary focus of the Library sites is on providing academics with relevant and current information and training material to support their teaching and research
- Personal Librarians partner with academics in order to use their myUnisa sites to reach M and D students



Apply for a project site

Name: Margarette van Zyl Date of Application: 22-2-2010

Project Sites Application Form

Please note that every application will be decided on an individual basis. Applications will be considered by the joint ICT and ICLD myUnisa Team.

Application Information Required

Site Name - that should appear on navigation bar [Guidelines: Site name should be short, about 12 characters]

Business Management Library

2 Purpose of project site

Guidelines: Appropriate use would include for post-graduate research that benefits Unisa and/or Unisa students.

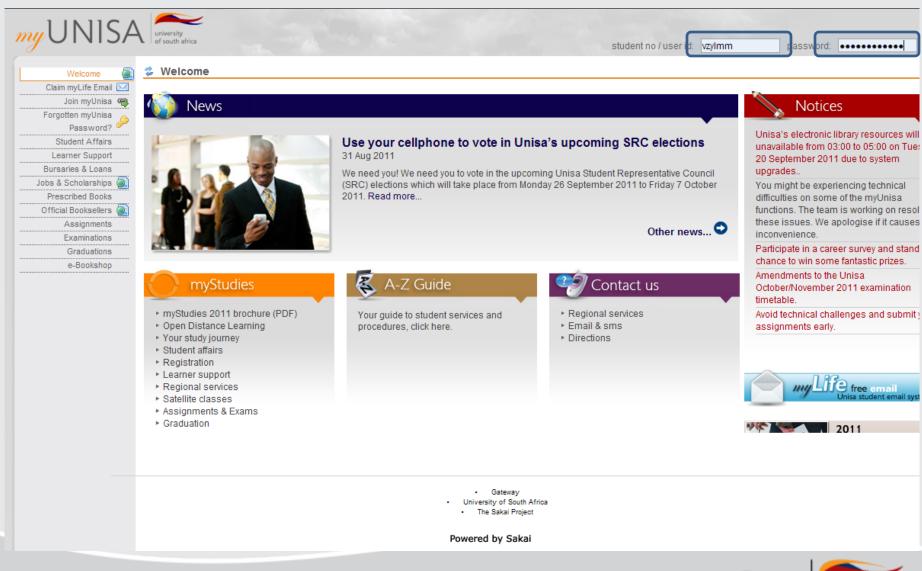
Non-appropriate use would include any grouping that is defined by a registration period or a qualification group e.g. all Masters students

The Personal Librarians are responsible for satisfying the information needs of the academics by liaising, delivering training, providing alerting and awareness services for new information and marketing library services.

This project site will be used to communicate important library related information to market library services and products and to offer online training to academic staff members. The primary focus of the site will be to provide academics with relevant /current information and training material to support their teaching and research.

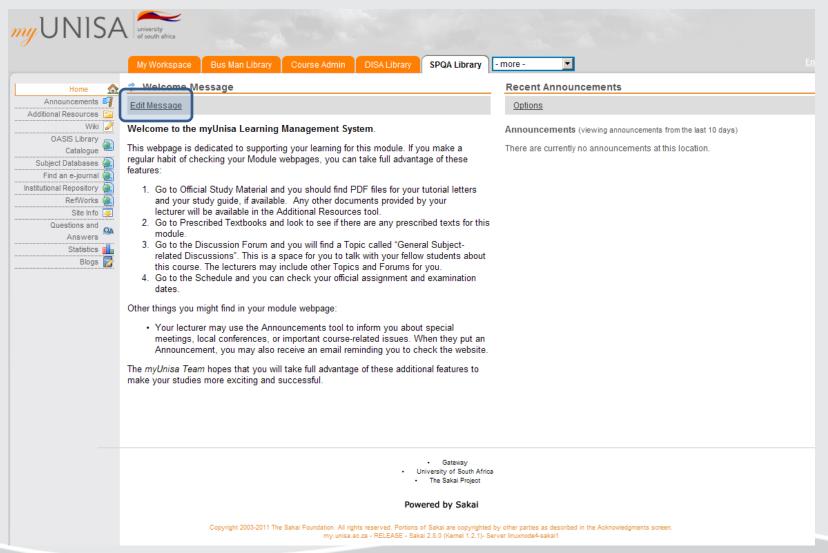


Business Management Library Site



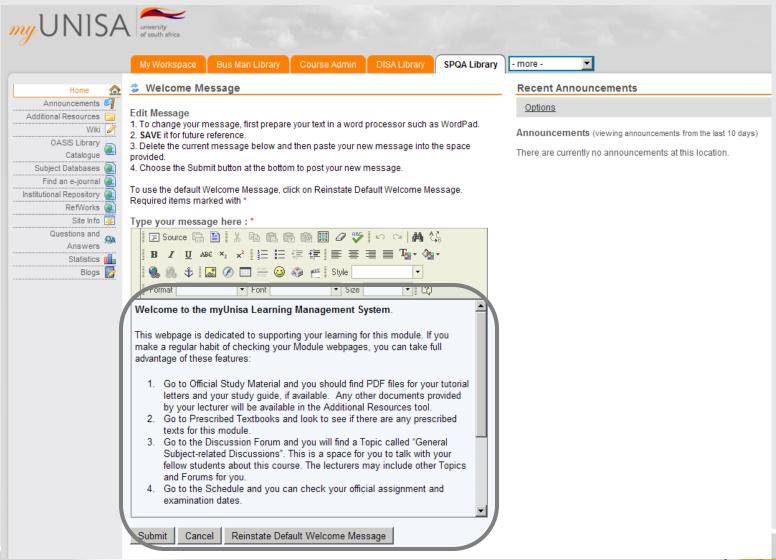


Welcome page





Edit welcome message







Announcements

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Additional Resources

Wiki

OASIS Library
Catalogue

Subject Databases

Find an e-journal
Institutional Repository

RefWorks
Site Info
Questions and
Answers

Statistics
Blogs

My Workspace

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DISA Libran

SPQA Library

- more -

💈 Welcome Message

Edit Message

- 1. To change your message, first prepare your text in a word processor such as WordPad.
- SAVE it for future reference.
- Delete the current message below and then paste your new message into the space provided.
- 4. Choose the Submit button at the bottom to post your new message.

To use the default Welcome Message, click on Reinstate Default Welcome Message. Required items marked with *

Type your message here: *



Welcome to the Business Management Library

As your Personal Librarian I will provide you with the following services.

- · Training in the use of subject databases
- Support in setting up of alerting services (for current awareness)
- Compilation of literature searches to support teaching, research and course material development
- Assistance in structuring study material requirements
- · Gathering of subject specific input for collection development
- Promote the Library's services and informtion resources |

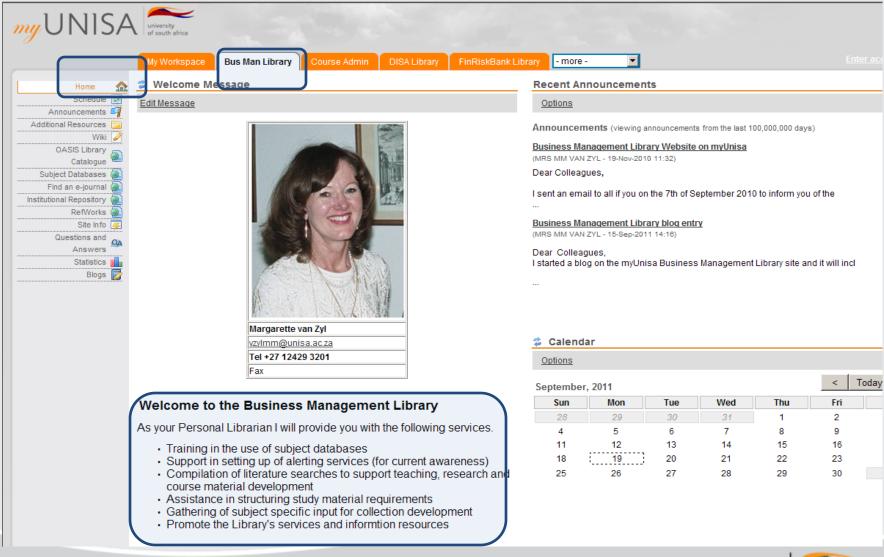
Recent Announcements

Options

Announcements (viewing announcements from the last 10 days)

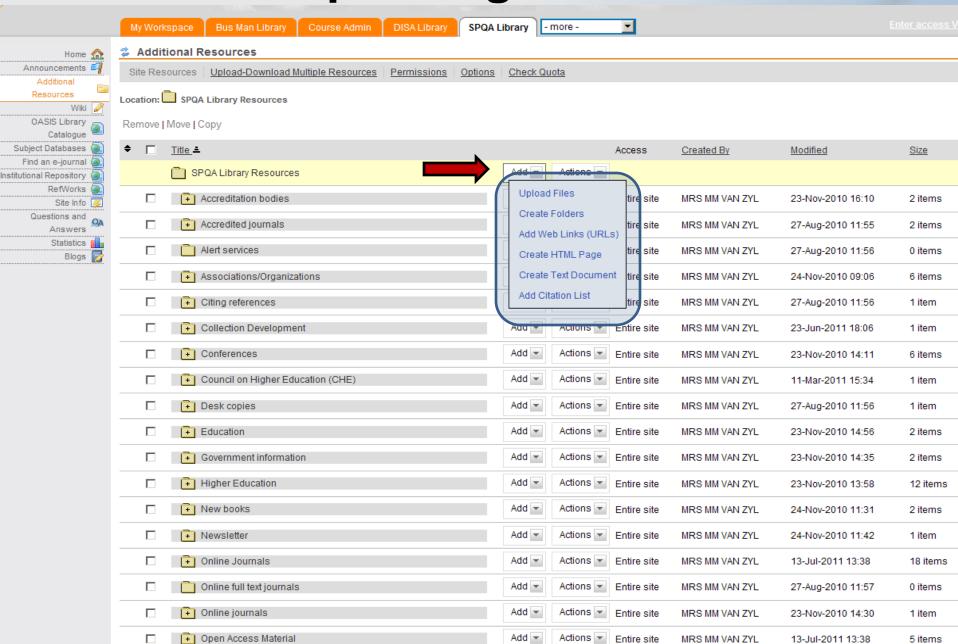
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Welcome page

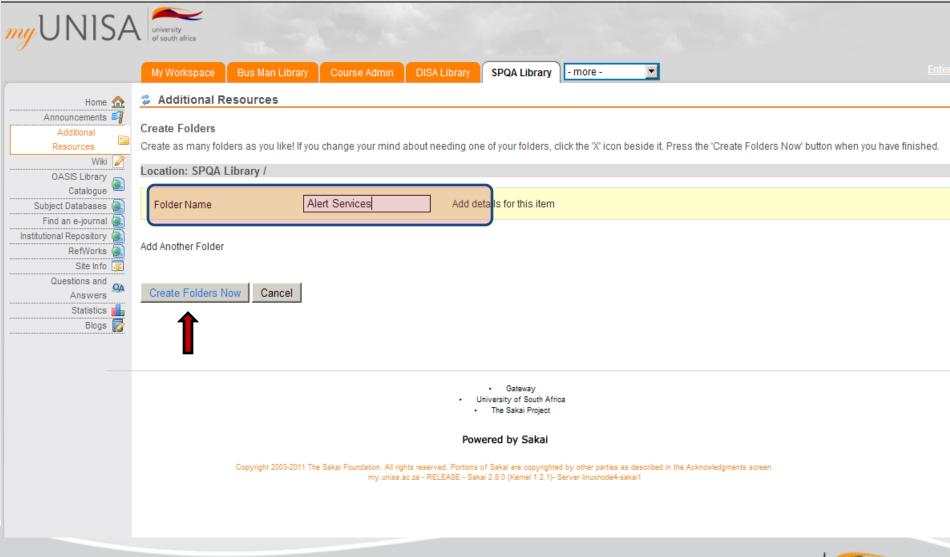




Populating the site



Creating folders



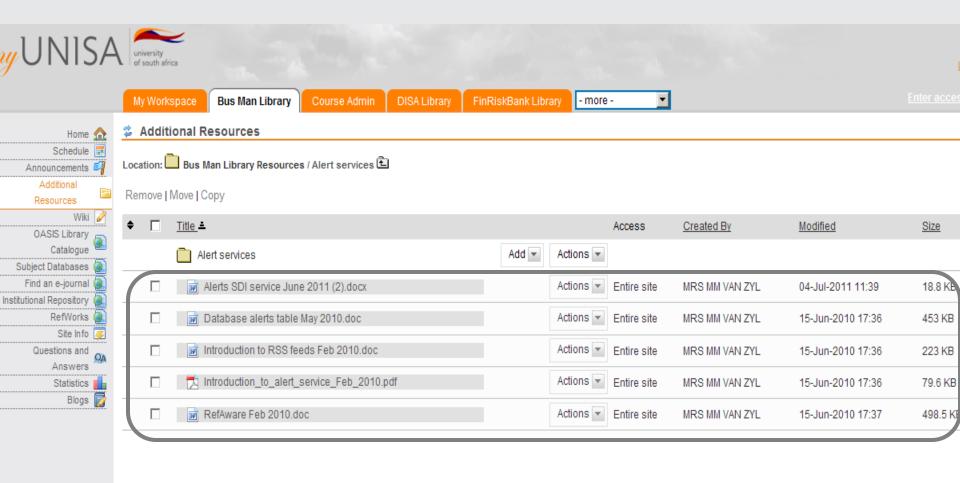


Add URL's & upload files



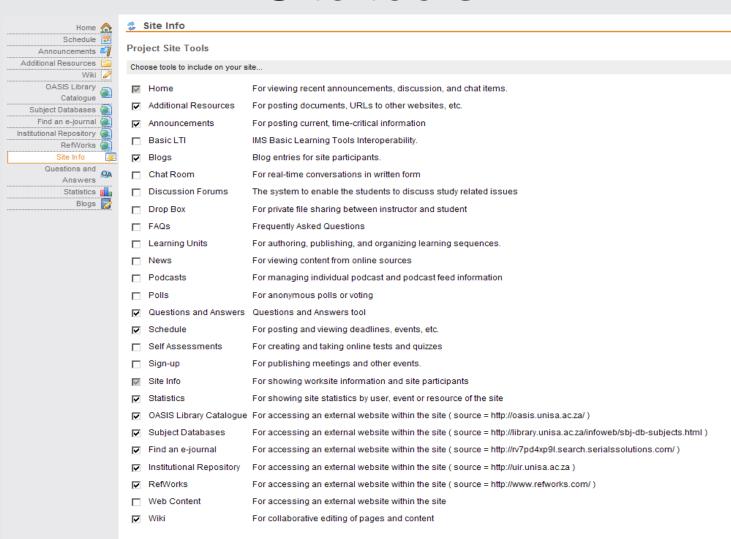


Folder with files & links





Site tools

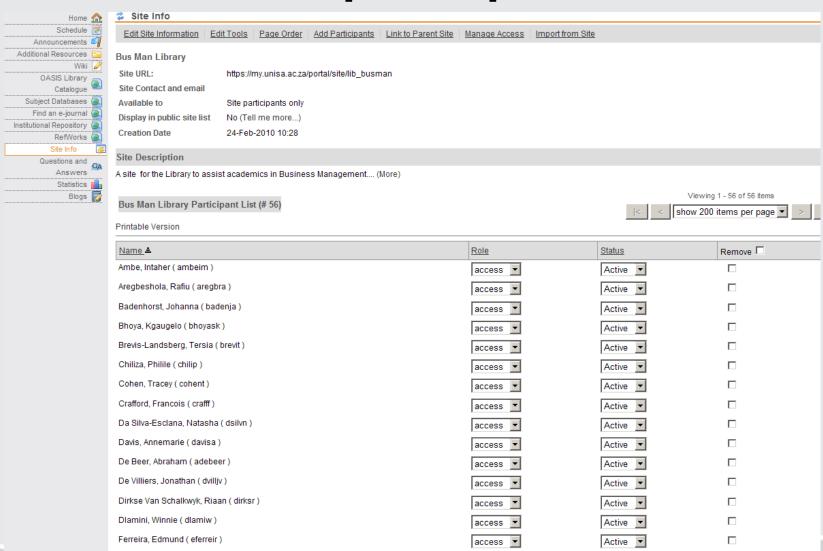


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Site participants

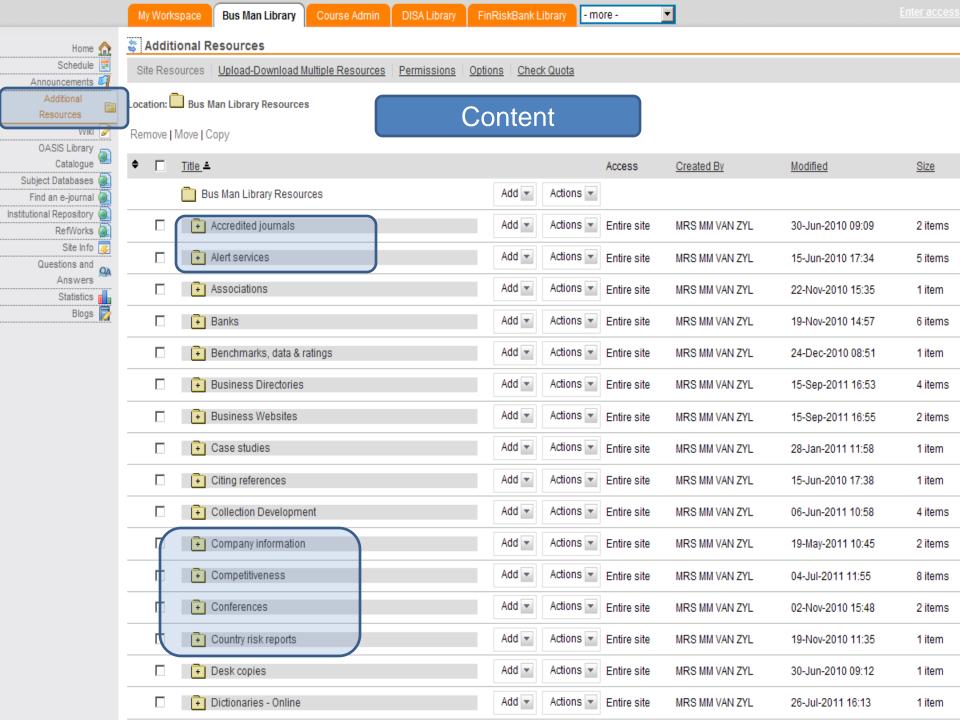




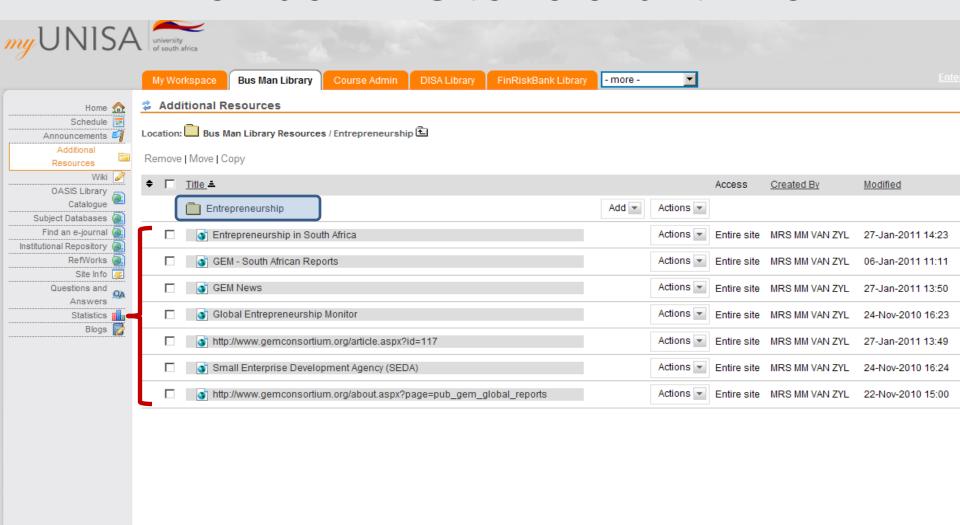
Departmental Library Sites





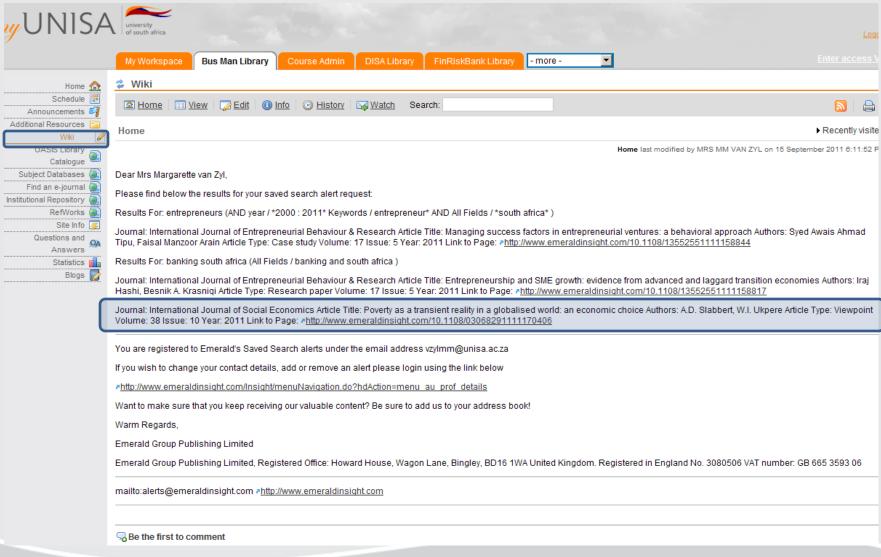


Provide links to relevant info



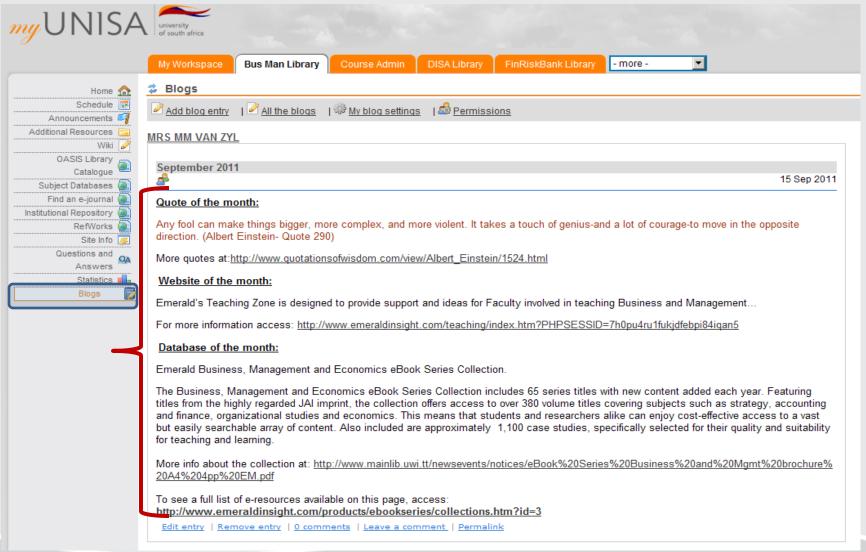


Use of the Wiki tool



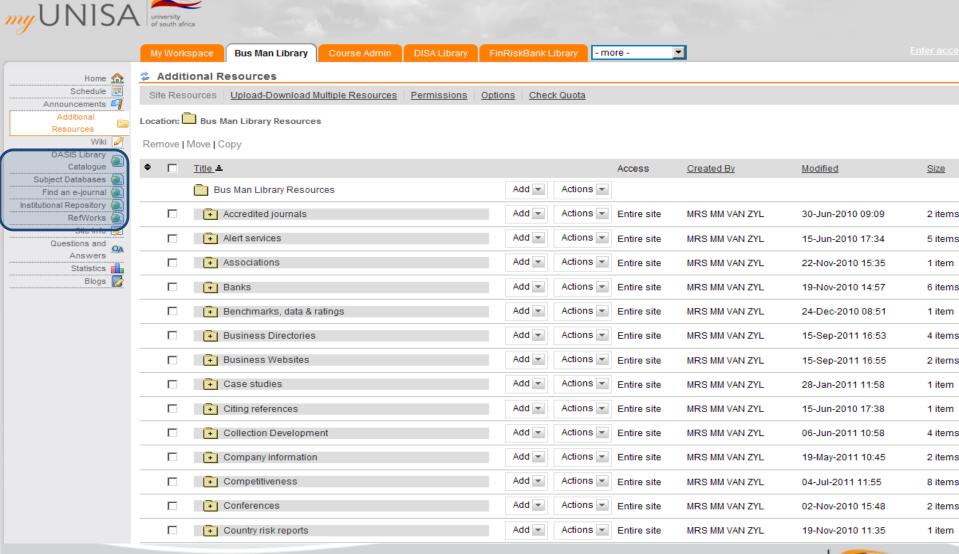


Use of the blog tool





Links to other library sites





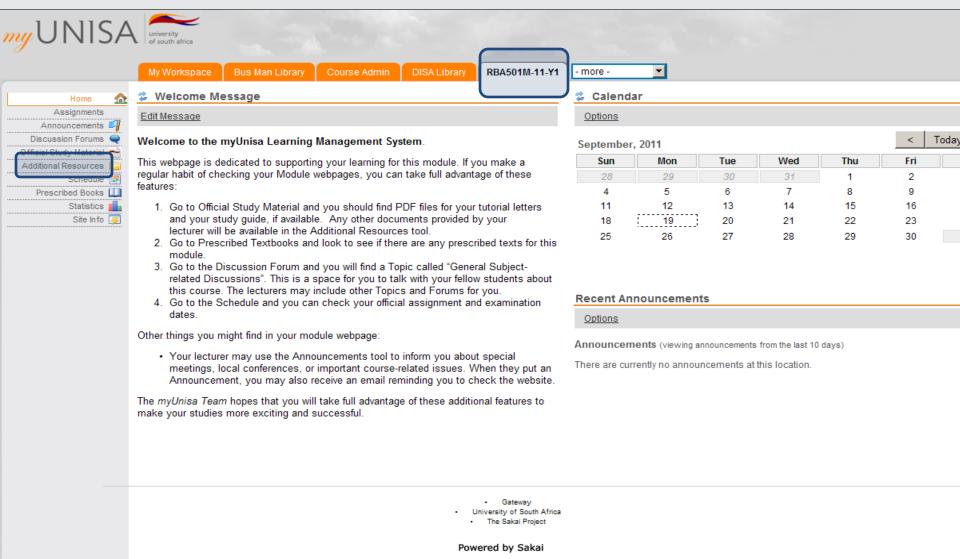
Expand service to students

Partner with academics to use their myUnisa sites to reach M and D students

- Liaise with academic staff to ascertain whether they desire a Library presence on their sites
- Decide in cooperation with academic staff which material to include
- Populate the sites with the relevant library material

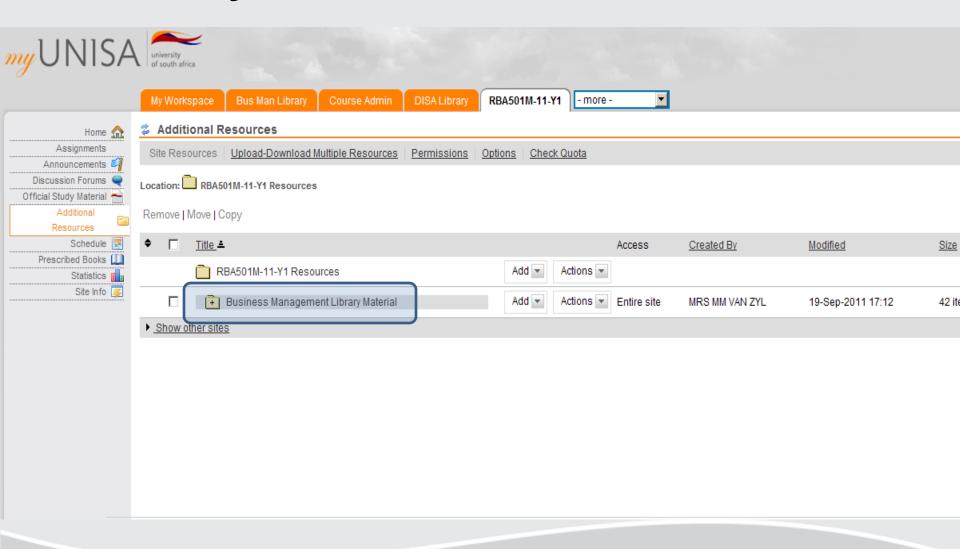


Partnering with academics





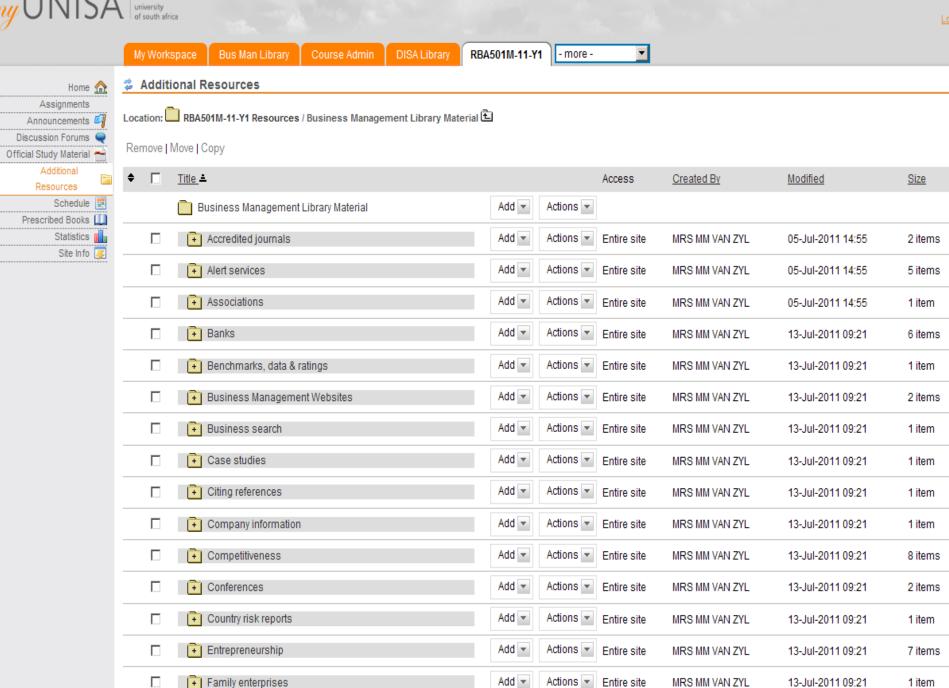
Library content on academic sites







Family enterprises



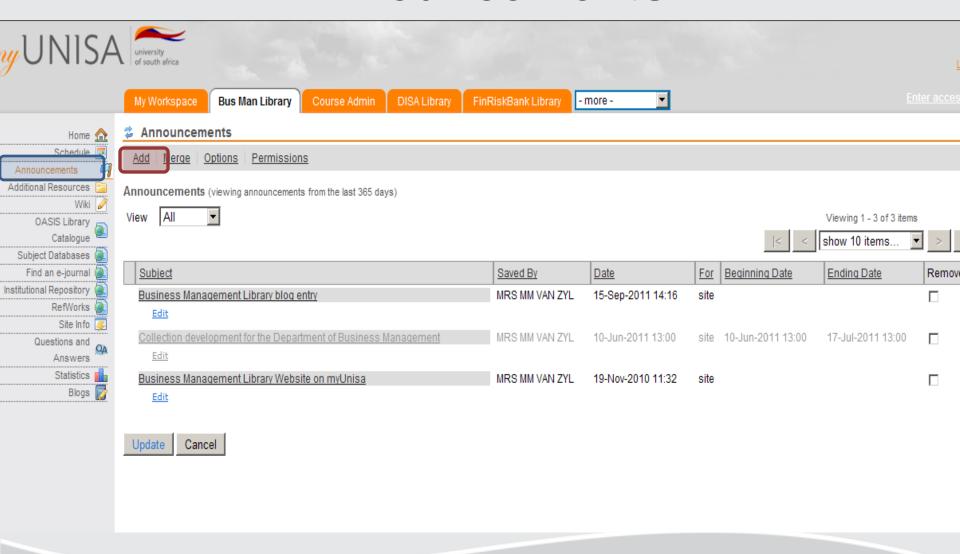
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1 item

Announcements





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Add Announcement

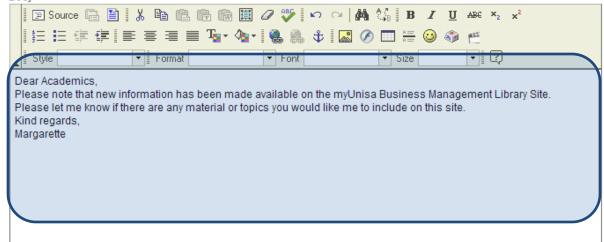
Complete the form, then choose the appropriate button at the bottom.

Required items marked with a *

* Announcement title

myUnisa Business Management Library Site





Access

- Only members of this site can see this announcement
- C This announcement is publicly viewable

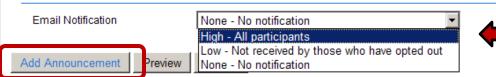
Availability

- Show (Post and display this announcement immediately)
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- C Specify Dates (Choose when this announcement will be displayed)

Attachments

No Attachments Yet

Add Attachments

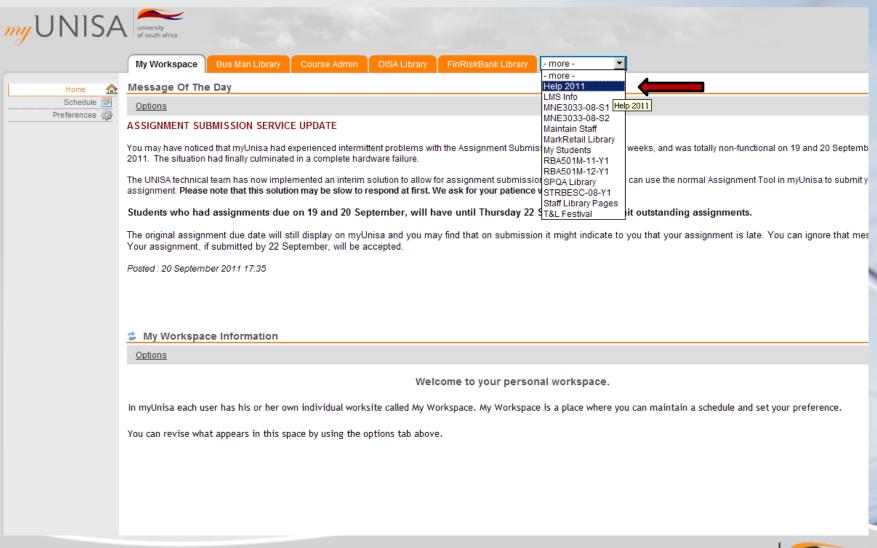


Future developments

- Expanding the service to all postgraduate students
- Using of persistent URL's immediate update of information on all sites
- Including training material and podcasts

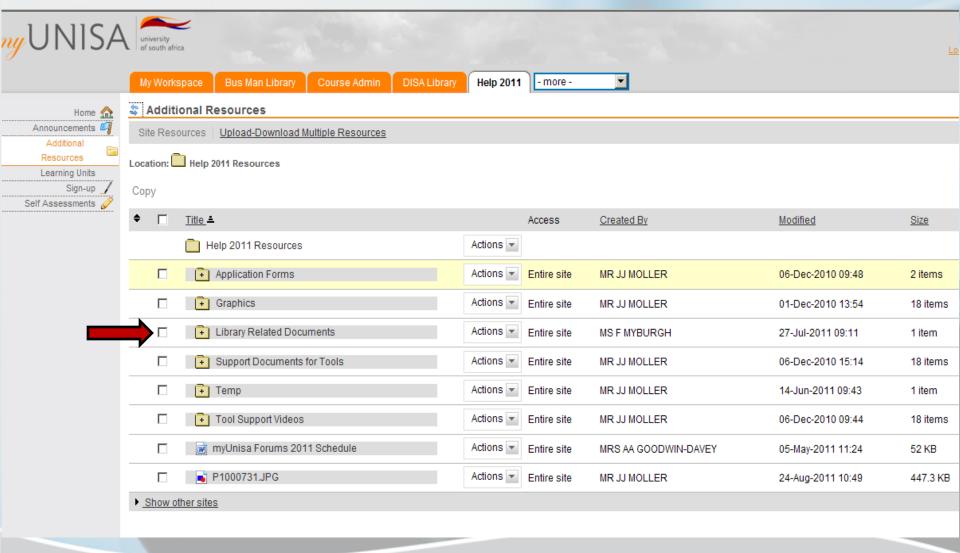


Use of persistent URL's

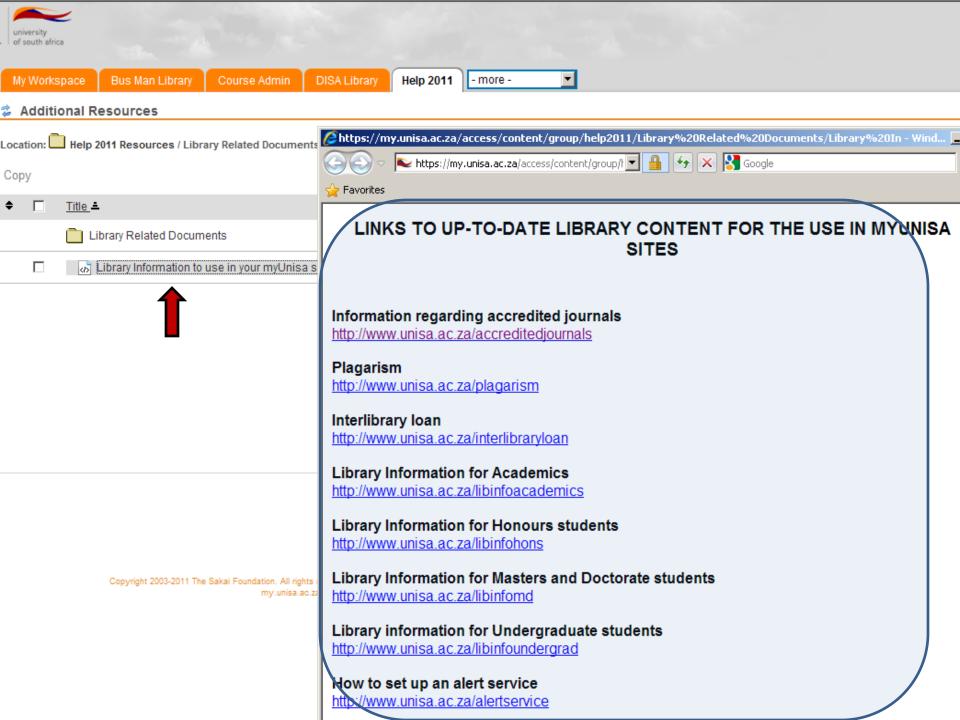




Use of persistent URL's









OVERVIEW OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES AVAILABLE TO UNISA MASTERS AND DOCTORAL CANDIDATES

The Unisa Library welcomes you as a student. The library, with its extensive range of information resources, forms an integral part of your journey towards completing your degree successfully.

1. SIGNING ON

You will need to sign on to the Unisa Library's network to make use of its online resources which include the library's catalogue, subject databases, e-journals, book and article requests, inter-library loans, and renewing your books.

PLEASE NOTE:

- You will be prompted to provide your myUnisa password and student number whenever you want to access any of the library's services or resources.
- Problems or queries regarding your myUnisa password, should be e-mailed to the myUnisa contact centre at myUnisaHelp@unisa.ac.za or phone 0861 670411 (for South African students) and +27 11 670 9000 (for international students). This applies to all queries where you are unable to sign on to the library's online resources.
- The myUnisa Contact Centre has a turnaround time of between 24-48 hours.

Persistent URL's

LINKS TO UP-TO-DATE LIBRARY CONTENT FOR THE USE IN MYUNISA SITES

Information regarding accredited journals

http://www.unisa.ac.za/accreditedjournals

Plagarism

http://www.unisa.ac.za/plagarism

Interlibrary loan

http://www.unisa.ac.za/interlibraryloan

Library Information for Academics

http://www.unisa.ac.za/libinfoacademics

Library Information for Honours students

http://www.unisa.ac.za/libinfohons

Library Information for Masters and Doctorate students

http://www.unisa.ac.za/libinfomd

Library information for Undergraduate students

http://www.unisa.ac.za/libinfoundergrad

How to set up an alert service

http://www.unisa.ac.za/alertservice

These persistent links are available for use by the academics on their myUnisa sites



Expansion of pool of information

- All sections in the Library are invited to participate in this project
- If they have material they want to add, they can bring it to the myUnisa Forum
- Will be considered and when approved, it can be loaded to the information pool
- Library and academic staff can source this material for use



Conclusion

Personal Librarians strive to partner with all Unisa researchers in providing a quality services to clients where ever they are and whatever level of research they are undertaking. We endeavor to have a close relationship with our research clients and to assist them on their research journey...



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...and the myUnisa Library sites is one of the means which we use in trying to accomplish this objective.

