I am preparing the Schools Information Resource Plans for 2009.

I would be very grateful if you could write to me even if only with a few remarks (either positive or constructive) on how you perceive the information resources (both electronic and print), provided by QUT Library, serve your information needs and, if applicable, your students in areas of teaching and research. The information will assist me in development and management of information resources appropriate to your teaching and research areas.

You may prefer to comment on the following questions:
- Is the general book collection relevant and up-to-date to support you and your students in teaching/learning?
- Is the periodical collection provided by QUT Library satisfy your teaching and research needs and your students?
- Are the electronic databases provided appropriate for your teaching and research and readily accessible by you and your students?
- Are the document delivery services adequate for your research purposes?

Thank you kindly for your time.

As Semester 1 2009 draws nearer...

If you would like us to assist with any Information Literacy components in your units in Semester 1, please let us know. I am able to help by assisting with development of information literacy resources for lecturers’ own use during classes, or by delivering the information literacy components myself in collaboration with lecturers.

For more information about Information Literacy at QUT and how the Library can help (including generic cross-Faculty classes and online tutorials), please see the following web page:
http://www.library.qut.edu.au/academics

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New eResources for 2009: SMART Imagebase and British Pharmacopoeia

SMART Imagebase (via EBSCOhost): Now available online for 2009

SMART Imagebase is a collection of 15,000+ full-color medical illustrations and animations depicting normal anatomy, physiology, surgery, diseases, conditions, trauma, embryology, histology, and other scientific and medical topics.

Users may download images for educational, non-commercial use in lectures, presentations, slide shows, web sites and more.

At the end of 2009 a decision will be made whether to convert the trial to an ongoing subscription from 2010.

Access via: http://www.library.qut.edu.au/db/5451f

British Pharmacopoeia (BP)

The British Pharmacopoeia (latest version 2009) is the authoritative collection of standards for UK medicines and is an essential reference for anyone involved in pharmaceutical R&D, manufacture, testing and regulation.

British Pharmacopoeia (BP) 2009 contains:
- Approximately 3,200 monographs including British Pharmacopoeia (Veterinary) monographs
- Test methods
- Infrared reference Spectra
- Supplementary information

New for 2009:
- 44 new monographs for formulated preparations including veterinary medicines
- New and revised monographs for Herbal and Complementary Medicines with their own section in Volume III
- Additional standards for widely used unlicensed formulations
- European Pharmacopoeia 6th Edition material up to and including Supplement 6.2

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GeoRef Now on Engineering Village Platform

QUT Library’s subscription to GeoRef has been transferred to the Engineering Village platform, joining INSPEC and Compendex.

GeoRef is the major indexing database in the area of geology, geophysics and geotechnical engineering.

The Engineering Village platform includes unlimited simultaneous user access and specific functionality including a mapping tool which has the ability to plot geographical locations from search results on a digital map, giving further insight into the geographical context of results. A demo of the mapping feature is available at http://www.ei.org/EV%20product%20tours/geo%2020-%20map_demo/geo%20-20-%20map_demo.htm

Access via: http://www.library.qut.edu.au/db/2530f

Concept Map for Life Sciences

A unified view of the current state of knowledge on a topic, including publications, authors, related concepts (Knowlet) and community annotations (Professional Wiki) http://www.wikiprofessional.org/conceptweb/:  
- Explore factual and associative relationships between concepts
- Visualize Knowlets, a novel way of showing how concepts relate
- View the source publications that serve as Knowlet building blocks and more
- Edit a Wiki page, prefilled with data from leading curated sources

“...On some of those rocks are time-less raindrops. Under the rocks are the words, and some of the words are theirs - I am haunted by waters...”  
(from The Shawshank Redemption—a good geology movie)
Find Images and Videos Online: New Library Subject Guides

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Is it legal to use them in lecture slides, teaching materials, assignments etc? Many of the resources available for free on the web are NOT copyright free so please check the terms of use for restrictions.

Integrative Biology and Metallomics: New Journals from RSC Publishing

Integrative Biology
http://www.rsc.org/Publishing/Journals/ib/Index.asp

Launching in January 2009, this journal will provide a unique venue for elucidating biological processes, mechanisms and phenomena through quantitative enabling technologies at the convergence of biology with physics, chemistry, engineering, imaging and informatics.

Metallomics: Integrated biometal science
http://www.rsc.org/Publishing/Journals/mt/Index.asp

Metallomics is a subject that is receiving great attention as a new frontier in the investigation of trace elements in biology and is expected to develop as an interdisciplinary science complementary to genomics and proteomics. This timely new journal covers the research fields related to biometals and is expected to be the core publication for the emerging metallomics community as they strive to fully understand the role of metals in biological, environmental, and clinical systems.

Access via Library catalogue/Journal Title search (will be activated soon).

JBI Connect: Nursing Evidence-based Resource

JBI Connect contains nursing evidence-based resources including best practice sheets, systematic reviews, and evidence care bundles from the Joanna Briggs Institute.

Topic areas include aged care, acute care, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, midwifery and diagnostic imaging. Currently in development: mental health, burns, infection control and community health.

Access via: http://www.library.qut.edu.au/db/5456f

Guide on Finding theses and dissertations: