

UM Libraries Course Reserves

New System Fact Sheet

All course reserves are now provided through ELMS (powered by Blackboard).

For Faculty

- ELMS integration provides one place for course materials
- ELMS logon eliminates the need to distribute class passwords
- Faculty enter citations into the new system as they want them to be viewed
- Faculty can choose to upload files such as PDFs for faster processing; PDFs are released to students after staff review. Articles and chapters may also be linked to full-text databases and e-journals, scanned from items in the library collection, or scanned from the faculty member's personal copies (for more information, see <http://www.lib.umd.edu/PUBSERV/RESERVE/faculty.html#2>)
- Faculty can choose to add items using the new course reserves system, or submit materials or reading lists in print to reserves staff (as before)
- Faculty can track the status of reserves to know when they are available
- Email alerts can automatically go out to faculty when items are available

- To get started:
 - (1) Request a course space in ELMS
 - (2) Click on the *Course Reserves Administration* link in your ELMS course space to activate it in the new course reserves system
- Reserves staff at the campus libraries can help you get started

For Students

- ELMS integration provides one place for course materials
- ELMS logon eliminates the need to memorize class passwords
- Email alerts can provide instant notification when readings are available
- Icons showing whether a reading has been viewed allow students to quickly see what's new

For the Libraries

- Status tracking and email alerts improve communication with faculty and students
- ELMS authentication restricts content to authorized users and eliminates the need for a separate authentication system
- Copyright management component tracks copyright and facilitates compliance
- New system provides increased efficiencies to better serve faculty needs

For more information about UM Libraries Course Reserves:

<http://www.lib.umd.edu/reserves>