The eBIB Manual: access to the electronic resources of the UPC’s digital library

1. Introduction

The eBIB service provides access to the electronic resources (journals, books and databases) to which UPC libraries are subscribed from any device with an internet connection. This service operates through the OCLC’s EZProxy.

The resources to which the UPC is subscribed are subject to the terms set out in the licences of the provider or publisher of each product. These licences allow only private, non-profit uses for purposes of study, teaching or research by authorised users. Please refer to the Terms of Use.

2. Requirements

Under the Terms of Use, the requirements for accessing these resources are the following:

- You must be a member of the UPC community and
- You must have log-in credentials (username and password) for the UPC’s Intranet or virtual campuses. If you have not yet registered, you can request registration at the Register of access to the UPC’s Intranet or virtual campuses. If you have forgotten your username or password, you can recover your credentials.

This system is individual and non-transferable and allows only one session per concurrent user.

The licences allow any user to consult the digital library from a UPC library. If you are not a member of the UPC community, please contact the information desk of the library or write to info.biblioteques@upc.edu.
3. How to access the electronic resources

If you access the resource from the results page of an external search engine (e.g. Google), a shortcut, a bookmark, a website (Bibliotècnica, Futur, Publica, ATENEA, etc.) or the CCUC, you will have to activate the access manually. To do so, you must first install the eBIB button.

Regardless of the access route to a resource, the system will prompt you to log in.

4. Installing the eBIB button

The eBIB button is a bookmark for automatically activating access to resources through the proxy when you are browsing the Web.

To install it, go to http://bibliotecna.upc.edu/colleccions/ebib-eng and follow the instructions below for your device and browser.

4.1. Desktop browsers

**NOTE:** We recommend that you first make your bookmarks bar visible, or, in the case of Safari, the sidebar (→).

Firefox

Right-click on the button and select **Bookmark This Link**. Or click on the button and drag it to your bookmarks bar.

Internet Explorer

Right-click on the button and select **Add to favourites**. If a security alert pops up, click on “Yes”.

Chrome

Click on the button and drag it to the bookmarks bar.
Safari

Click on the button and drag it to the sidebar.

After installing the button you’ll see that one of your bookmarks is called “eBIB”:

Edge

The eBIB button can not be installed in Microsoft Edge directly. First, you must install the eBIB button in one of the previous browsers and afterwards you must import their bookmarks to Edge according to the instructions bellow:

1. Open Microsoft Edge
2. Click on the 3 points button at the top right of the screen

3. Click on “Settings” in the following menu:
4. Select “View favourite settings” in the following sidebar:

5. In the next screen, activate the option “Show the favorites bar” and select the browser where you have previously installed the eBIB button in “Import favorites” option. Finally, click on “Import”

6. Finally, you must see all the bookmarks in your bookmarks bar (including the eBIB button):
4.2. **Mobile browsers**

**iPhone/iPad/iPod**

1. With this page open, select Add Bookmark, call it eBIB and save it.
2. Open the bookmarks and edit the one you have called eBIB. Copy the following code in the place of the URL, deleting the previous one:

   ```javascript
   javascript:void(location.href='http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/login?url='+location.href)
   ```

3. Finally, click Done.

**Android**

Add a bookmark to this page, name it eBIB and copy the following code in place of the URL, deleting the previous one:

```javascript
javascript:void(location.href='http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/login?url='+location.href)
```

5. **Accessing a resource through the eBIB button**

To access a resource from the results page of a search engine, a link on a web page, a shortcut or a bookmark, you must activate the full text access clicking on the eBIB button you have previously installed in your browser.

Please, follow the instructions below for your device and browser.

5.1. **Desktop browsers**

**NOTE:** We recommend that you first make your bookmarks bar visible, or, in the case of Safari, the sidebar.

**Chrome, Firefox and Internet Explorer**

1. Go to the home page of the resource, e.g. [http://www.nature.com/](http://www.nature.com/).
2. Press the eBIB button that you installed on your browser.
3. This will take you to the log-in screen, where you must sign in, and then to the target website. You'll see that the string `.ezproxy upc.greendata.es` has been added to the end
of the URL. For the above example, the URL will now be http://www.nature.com.ezproxy-upc.greendata.es/.

4. To log out, type the URL http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/logout or close the browser. Otherwise, the session will close automatically after 1 hour of inactivity.

Safari

1. Go to the home page of the resource, e.g. http://www.nature.com/.
2. Press the eBIB button that you installed on the sidebar ( )
3. This will take you to the log-in screen, where you must sign in, and then to the target website. You’ll see that the string .ezproxy upc.greendata.es has been added to the end of the URL. For the above example, the URL will now be http://www.nature.com.ezproxy-upc.greendata.es/.
4. To log out, type the URL http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/logout or close the browser. Otherwise, the session will close automatically after 1 hour of inactivity.

5.2. Mobile browsers

iPhone/iPad/iPod

1. Go to the home page of the resource, e.g. http://www.nature.com/.
2. Press the icon on your browser, go to Favourites and press the eBIB button.
3. This will take you to the log-in screen, where you must sign in, and then to the target website. You’ll see that the string .ezproxy upc.greendata.es has been added to the end of the URL. For the above example, the URL will now be http://www.nature.com.ezproxy-upc.greendata.es/.
4. To log out, type the URL http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/logout or close the browser. Otherwise, the session will close automatically after 1 hour of inactivity.

Safari

1. Go to the home page of the resource, e.g. http://www.nature.com/.
2. Once the resource page is loaded, open the address bar of interest at the top of the browser and start writing eBIB. Choose the option called ebib and “javascript:void(location.href='http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/login?url='+location.href) ” appears at the bottom of the screen.
3. This will take you to the log-in screen, where you must sign in, and then to the target website. You’ll see that the string .ezproxy upc.greendata.es has been added to the end of the URL. For the above example, the URL will now be http://www.nature.com.ezproxy-upc.greendata.es/.
4. To log out, type the URL http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/logout or close the browser. Otherwise, the session will close automatically after 1 hour of inactivity.
6. Automatic access through eBIB

eBIB is activated automatically when you access the resource through the Library Catalog, through Metalib, through the button, through “Accedeix a Biblioteca UPC” link on Google Scholar or through the resources list on the web.

6.1. The UPC Library Catalogue

Click on the link at the bottom of an entry in the UPC Catalogue to automatically access the resource through the eBIB service.
6.2. Metalib

Click on the name of the resource you searched for in Metalib to access it automatically through the eBIB service.

![Image of Metalib search results]

Click on the name of the resource you searched for in Metalib to access it automatically through the eBIB service.
6.3. More options button

Several portals and databases (the UPC Catalogue, the Web of Knowledge, etc.) include the button, which provides access to full-text resources. Press this button, click on the **GO** button of the **Full Text** section and you will automatically be forwarded to the resource through the eBIB service.
6.4. Google Scholar

The service is integrated in Google Scholar, so you can automatically access any full-text resource to which the UPC is subscribed through eBIB using the option “Accedeix a Biblioteca UPC”.

The option "Accedeix a Biblioteca UPC" is enabled by default when accessing Google Scholar from the UPC network connected devices¹. To also have this option by default when accessing Google Scholar from outside the UPC, follow these instructions.

If you click on the direct link of the provider or publisher, you will have to access the resource manually (see instructions in Section 5).

¹ Google (including Google Scholar) has its own indexing algorithm, which affects the search results. UPC Library Services can not influence the search results on Google, either in the references that appear in results or the order they appear in the list. Link “Accedeix a Biblioteca UPC” has been inserted in those references that correspond to resources subscribed by UPC libraries, but it is not able to know how Google handles them.
6.5. Information resources list

The list of electronic resources subscribed by UPC libraries that are accessible through the eBIB service is available at http://renoir.upc.edu/bibliotecnica/recursos/. In this list, the individual titles of books and journals included in each publishing package (for example, Elsevier, Springer or Ebrary) are not detailed; to know which they are or find a particular book or magazine, you can check them at the Library catalogue.

To access to a resource or commercial package through eBIB service, you must search it in the list and click on the resource name.

7. How to know if you are accessing a resource correctly

To find out if you are accessing a resource through eBIB, check whether the string recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu appears in the URL. If so, your access is correct; if not, you can access the resource using one of the methods explained in the previous section.
8. Logging in

When you access a resource through a proxy, you will see a screen like this:

![Screen shot of log-in credentials]

Select your user type:

- **UPC PDI, PAS and students** if you are members of one of these groups.

- **Guest user** if you are not a member of the UPC. Depending on the licence agreed with the resource provider, external users can consult subscribed resources in person at the library or through a device connected to the UPC network (e.g. # FUB PAS/PDI/Students, guest user, etc. #). Please go to the library information desk to request log-in credentials.

If you choose the first option, you will see a screen where you enter your log-in credentials for the UPC’s Intranet or virtual campuses. If you have not yet registered, please request registration at the Register of access to the UPC’s Intranet and virtual campuses. If you have forgotten your username or password, you can recover your credentials.
If you choose the second option, enter the log-in credentials that your library has given you.

8. Disconnection

The session ends automatically after 1 hour of inactivity.

You can also end the session manually
- by closing the browser or
- by typing the URL http://recursos.biblioteca.upc.edu/logout.

If you have any questions, please contact info.biblioteques@upc.edu.