Find Information on Dissection @ your library

**Step 1: Background information**
You may need to look up background information or definitions of terms to help you understand your topic better. For other background sources, search the Library catalogue.

- **Veterinary medical encyclopedia** (vetcentric.com)
- **Veterinary dictionaries** [http://www.martindalecenter.com/Vet_1_Diction.html](http://www.martindalecenter.com/Vet_1_Diction.html)
  - Martindale’s the Virtual Veterinary Center
- **IVIS** [http://www.ivis.org/home.asp](http://www.ivis.org/home.asp)
  - International Veterinary Information Service. Free access to original, up-to-date publications organized in electronic books edited by qualified editors.

**Step 2: DVDs, Videos and Movies**

- **Tibial fracture stabilization**
  - Video recording: 636.0897 Ans Ridgetown
- **Sutures and suturing techniques**
  - Video recording: 636.0897 Bla Ridgetown
- **Ceirotomy: fundamental surgical technique**
  - Video recording: 636.0897 Sme Ridgetown

**Step 3: Books**

- **Clinical anatomy and physiology for veterinary technicians**
  - 636.0891 Col Ridgetown
- **Color atlas of small animal anatomy: the essentials**
  - 636.0891 McC Ridgetown
- **Spurgeon’s color atlas of large animal anatomy**
  - 636. 0891 McC Ridgetown

**Step 4: Images**

- **Fotosearch**
- **Washington State University Image Data Base**
  - Click on search at the bottom of the screen to see a variety of images
Step 5: Magazines and Scientific Articles

To find articles and current research about your topic, use a journal index online at the Guelph library website (see link below). A journal index is similar to the library catalogue. But instead of searching our collection of books in the catalogue, it searches a database where articles from magazines and journals are collected. Look for the ‘Get It’ button or full-text link to read articles online.

Start Here: Journal indexes – select Biology & Life Sciences
http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/resources/journal_articles/

Agricola: a comprehensive index to agricultural and life sciences information. The primary focus is on the United States but there is international information as well.

Biological Sciences: an interdisciplinary database offering abstracts and citations to a wide range of research in biomedicine, biotechnology, zoology and ecology, and some aspects of agriculture and veterinary science.

CABDirect: provides international literature in agriculture, forestry, and allied disciplines, including: animal and crop husbandry, animal and plant breeding, plant protection, genetics, forestry engineering, economics, veterinary medicine, human nutrition and rural development.

Plant Science: contains citations and abstracts of scientific literature on plant science, focussing on all plant scientific aspects, especially pathology, symbiosis, biochemistry, genetics, biotechnology, techniques and environmental biology.

Journals & Magazines

Compendium: continuing education for veterinarians

TECHNEWS: national journal for the Ontario Assoc. of Veterinary Technicians

Update: College of Veterinarians of Ontario Newsletter

Veterinary Technician: the journal for the Veterinary health team

Dogs in Canada

Dog Fancy

Cat Fancy

Equus

Step 6: Searching the Internet

The term "public websites" refers to sites that can be freely reached through a search engine. Many of the links given above lead you to "invisible web sites" that the library pays for, such as journal databases. Typically, if your professor tells you not to use web sites on an assignment, they are referring to public web sites.

When searching, remember to try alternate words for your topic.
Anatomically Correct: the online cat dissection site
(http://library.thinkquest.org/15401/index.html)
This interactive site includes the sections ‘test yourself’, ‘teacher’s corner’, and ‘how did we make this site?’
You can view interactive diagrams of the cat’s anatomy, print diagrams and learn about definitions of cat anatomy. There are live video clips taken during a cat dissection and screen shots. This is an Oracle ThinkQuest site made for high school anatomy classes.

Interactive Dissection and Drawings for Veterinary Anatomy
(http://www.images4u.com/)
This site is maintained by Don Adams at VetMed.com. There are drawings and dissection images of the following animal species:

Cat, dog, pig, goat, sheep, cattle and horse.

Virtual Cat Dissection Images
(http://bio.bd.psu.edu/cat/index.htm)
This site from the Biology Department of Penn State University is divided into the following sections:

- external anatomy, skeletal system, muscular system, respiratory system, digestive system, urogenital system, circulatory system, nervous system.

Included on the images are descriptive terminology and some descriptions of techniques for dissection.

Remember the difference reading a webpage online:

- Who wrote it?  
- Why?  
- What is it for?

Learning more about evaluation of websites:

http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/assistance/tutorials/evaluating_web_sites/

Step 7: Associations, Societies and Departments

Canadian Veterinary Medical Association
(http://canadianveterinarians.net/)

National Association of Veterinary Technicians in America
(http://www.navta.net/)

Ontario Association of Veterinary Technicians
(http://www.oavt.org/)

Ontario Veterinary Medical Association
(http://www.ovma.org/)
Step 8: Help for your assignments

Don’t forget Peer Helpers and the Academic Skills Consultant @ your library!

Refworks  http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/research/create_bibliographies/
Use this to organize the sites and sources you need to create your references.

Citation Machine  http://citationmachine.net/
This website is open to the public. It can organize your sources while you search.

APA Style Guide http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/assistance/writing_services/undergraduates/citations_&_referencing/APA.cfm
Use this guide to correctly cite your sources in written work – essays, assignments, etc.