

WHAT WE DO



CATALYZE

By providing tools, training, and infrastructure, BC ELN transforms ideas into action.



SUPPORT

BC ELN builds, extends, and maintains infrastructure that supports diverse needs.



EQUALIZE

BC ELN promotes equity, allowing smaller and under-resourced groups to flourish.



ENVISION

With a broad network of community relationships, BC ELN sees opportunities and takes action.

BC ELN offers **a suite of collaborative services** to participating libraries. These services help libraries meet the evolving information needs of students, instructors, and researchers.

GROUP LICENSING

BC ELN negotiates group discounts on licences for databases, ebook collections, streaming media, and more. Libraries opt-in to the licences that best serve their needs.



BC ELN licensing makes over two million electronic journals, ebooks, newspapers, and streaming media items available to libraries.

All post-secondary students attending a BC ELN institution – regardless of where they attend school – have access to the *BC ELN Common Suite*, a collection of journal databases.

LEARNER SUPPORT

BC ELN coordinates AskAway and WriteAway, two critical learner support services.



AskAway

Students chat live with library staff and receive expert research help.



WriteAway

Students get free, fast, and friendly asynchronous writing feedback.

RESOURCE SHARING

BC ELN administers Illume, which provides the infrastructure and support for interlibrary loans between libraries in BC.



103 public and post-secondary libraries make their collections available to each other via Illume.

10 million books, DVDs, CDs and more are available to library users through interlibrary loan.

The Illume Support Centre at BC ELN provides coordination and province-wide assistance.

SHARED SERVICES

BC ELN coordinates shared services and provides tools, training, and infrastructure to empower participating institutions.



Arca

A collaborative digital repository for institutions to preserve and share digital assets.



BC ELN also partners with external groups to maximize efforts; examples include partnerships with DataBC, Indigitization Program, and the BC History Digitization Program.

The BC Electronic Library Network (BC ELN) is a network of partner libraries at over 30 public and private post-secondary institutions in British Columbia and the Yukon.

We work together to give students, instructors, and researchers equitable access to services and resources so they can successfully pursue their education, teaching, and research.

“BC ELN makes a significant impact on Camosun students every term. Whether it's accessing AskAway to receive expert advice, or retrieving content licenced through the consortium – Camosun students continuously benefit from the positive impact of our partnership.

– Camosun College Library Staff,
Innovation & Success 2021

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The BC ELN Office is situated on the unceded, traditional territories of the səliłwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh), kʷikwəłəm (Kwkwetlem), Skw̓xwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish) and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) Nations.



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Extending information, resources, and expertise throughout BC's post-secondary system.

