Community Borrowers

Community patrons may borrow select physical materials by purchasing a Community Borrower Card (CBC). Community Borrower Cards may be purchased on-line for a $35.00 annual fee. Verified UNM Alumni receive a $10 discount. Applicants must submit photo identification and proof of mailing address with the application. Patrons under the age of 18 require a parent or guardian to submit the application.

Borrowing Privileges

A Community Borrower Card confers borrowing privileges at the UNM main campus University Libraries, and the UNM Law Library.

A Community Borrower Card does not confer borrowing privileges at UNM Health Sciences Library and Informatics Center.

Community Borrowers are subject to the loan times and penalties of the University Libraries Borrowing policy. In accordance with this policy, items that are not returned or renewed in a timely manner will be declared overdue and subsequently billed.

Access Exclusions

Community Borrower privileges do not extend to the following materials and services:

- Laptops and other circulating devices
- Reserve items
- InterLibrary Loan service
- Off-campus access to electronic resources
- Access to study rooms
- Access to University Libraries extended hours services

Related affiliations

The fee for a CBC will be waived for members of the groups described below.

- Continuing Education students with proof of current enrollment, for classes lasting a minimum of two weeks
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) members, with proof of a current membership
- Members of the New Mexico Legislature and the Higher Education Department
- Members of the Popejoy Society
- Researchers from Sandia and Los Alamos National Labs, with current ID
- Researchers with a written UNM departmental sponsorship
Reciprocal Agreements

GWLA

Faculty, staff and students at participating GWLA institutions are eligible for a Community Borrowers card valid through the end of the current semester. Borrowers will also be asked to submit an email from their institution library confirming they are current borrowers in good standing.

NMCAL

Faculty, staff and students from a member library of the New Mexico Consortium of Academic Libraries (NMCAL), who have a current library account at their home library are eligible to obtain a Community Borrowers Card valid until the end of the current semester. Borrowers will also be asked for an email from their institution library confirming they are current borrowers in good standing. A NMCAL Passport form will also be accepted.

OCLC

Faculty from an institution that is a member of the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) Reciprocal Faculty Borrowing Program are eligible to obtain an annual Community Borrowers Card. Borrowers will also be asked to submit an email from their institution library confirming they are current borrowers in good standing.