

**Do you provide training for investigators, IACUC members and administrators, animal care personnel, and research staff? If so then the AALAS Learning Library will fit into your training program.**

**With over a hundred courses on the ALL and more in the pipeline, the ALL provides your staff with training essential for anyone working with lab animals....**

## AALAS Learning Library

The AALAS Learning Library can help you meet training requirements by providing online training with documentation through a group subscription. A group subscription is an inexpensive, flexible option to enhance your current training program.

With the low cost to gain access to every course available on the ALL, how can you NOT afford to take advantage of this online training resource! Enroll today!

### ► Here's How the ALL Can Help —

- Each user in your group account has access to more than 100 courses on a variety of topics for a full year.
- Courses can be accessed from any computer, 24 hours a day.
- Each user has a transcript documenting lessons and courses completed and exams passed.
- A reports feature helps your group coordinator track members' training progress.

Not ready for a group account? Then individual options are also available. Full enrollment information can be found on the AALAS Learning Library web site.

### Pricing for Regular Group Accounts

Fee for AALAS Institutional and Commercial Members

# of accounts in group	Member or AALAS Branch Group	Fee for Nonmember Group
7	\$500	\$700
15	\$750	\$1,000
30	\$850	\$1,200
500	\$1,000	\$1,500
75	\$1,250	\$1,750
150	\$1,500	\$2,000

### ► Custom Library

#### Could a Custom Library Be the Solution to Your Training Needs?

A custom library consists of one or more courses accessible only to members of your institution. Courses can be individualized to fit your institutional training needs, including edited, added, or deleted material. Any course offered on the regular ALL platform may be customized except the ALAT, LAT, and LATG series of course. These latter are based on the AALAS Training Manual series and are preparatory material for the AALAS Technician Certification Exams.

#### Can We Create Our Own Courses? Definitely!

The course authoring system is easy to learn; if you have some basic HTML coding experience, you will quickly feel comfortable creating your own courses.

#### What Are the Advantages to Setting up a Custom Library?

- Individualize courses to fit your training needs.
- Update courses at any time to refresh material.
- Train a large number of individuals at a relatively low cost.
- Track and document your group members' training.

#### How Do We Get Started with a Custom Library?

Once courses have been selected, an AALAS staff member will train a member of your staff on the course authoring utility. This training is conducted by phone

and usually takes an hour. AALAS staff provides ongoing support to ensure that everything goes smoothly.

### What Will a Custom Library Cost?

Custom library pricing is individualized according to how many courses in your library, how many users access courses, and bandwidth requirements to maintain a high level of service. Contact us about setting up a custom library, and we will discuss your requirements and determine the cost. When you compare our fees to the cost of maintaining your own web site and training media, you will find this a very cost effective approach to provide online learning to your staff.

### ► New Courses

Biosafety, ergonomics, regulations, mouse colony management, and training are important knowledge areas for management and technical personnel who work in laboratory animal facilities. The AALAS Learning Library now has new courses that can help with training on these important topics. These courses are available to any individual who has an active account in the AALAS Learning Library.

**Good Laboratory Practice Standards:** This course introduces the US Good Laboratory Practice Standards as applied to animal research studies and describes common features and key differences of the three sets of regulations - two for the Environmental Protection Agency and one for the Food and Drug Administration.

**Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals:** This course is directed toward research and animal facility personnel affiliated with PHS-assured institutions. The lessons focus on background of Public Health Service Policy and the federal law it enforces, regulatory authority for the PHS mandates, research requirements for compliance with the Public Health Service Policy, and research requirements for compliance with other regulatory mandates cited by the Public Health Service Policy.

**Biosafety in Microbiologic and Biomedical Laboratories:** Biomedical and microbiological laboratories are special work environments that may pose identifiable infectious disease risks to persons working in or near them. This course will identify some of those risks and offer guidelines and standards to help decrease risks associated with working in a research facility. This course is based on the publication *Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories*, 4th Edition.

**Introduction to Ergonomics in the Laboratory Animal Facility:** This course introduces some basic ergonomics concepts that should be used to reduce the risk of ergonomic injury in the laboratory animal facility. Some of the topics to be covered in this course include defining an ergonomic injury, what everyone should know about ergonomics, and ways to reduce ergonomic injuries. This course was developed from an article published in *Contemporary Topics in Laboratory Animal Science* by John A. Craigo, MPT, Jackson Laboratories.

### Ergonomics for Animal Technicians: Working Smart:

Many of the tasks performed in the lab animal facility involve physical activity and repetitive motions. This course shows how a knowledge of ergonomics can help reduce the injuries related to wrist and forearm motions. This course is based on original material from Dr. Helen Diggs at the University of California-Berkeley.

**Mouse Breeding Colony Management:** This course has information for animal technicians and managers who are getting ready to start a colony, would like to review the basics of mouse breeding, or want to find ways to improve their breeding program. Some of the areas that are addressed in this course include goal setting and planning, mouse reproduction basics, environmental factors that affect reproduction, breeding strategies, production factors, mating systems, pregnancy and weaning, problems in the colony, and breeding tips. This course is based on original material from Minida Dowdy, RLAT, Emory University, and Barbara Klocke, University of Alabama-Birmingham.

**Active Listening:** The objectives of this course are to understand what it means to “hear” versus “listen,” explain skills involved in active listening, recognize barriers to effective listening, and identify ways to improve your listening skills. Original content materials for this course were provided by Robert Beck, Purdue University, and Lisa Bittles, Purdue University with additional content provided additional content provided by Martha Rooks, RLATG, PhD, Bristol-Myers Squibb.

**Workplace Training:** This course is designed primarily for managers and trainers, but others individuals such as facility directors may also benefit from this course. This course presents the “big picture” of training, answering questions such as:

- When is training the right solution to performance problems?
- What makes “good” training?
- What factors should be considered when selecting or creating training programs?

Original content materials for this course were provided by Robert Beck, Training Manager, Purdue University, and Lisa Bittles, Instructional Design Specialist, Purdue University.

Whether your needs involve studying for certification, learning new skills, or reviewing specific study topics, the AALAS Learning Library is your training resource. Check out all the course offerings at [www.aalas.org](http://www.aalas.org)



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