# LIBRARY SESSIONS

## Do you need the Library in your department?

These are the key information literacy sessions, led by Faculty Librarians, that can be offered at various levels to students within your department.

UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH

### Introducing the University Library

Locating the **University Library on campus**, its facilities, staff and resources. An introduction to the **University Library website**, including the library search page, 24/7 chat and referencing guidance.

### Introduction to searching and referencing information

Using the **Library Catalogue** effectively to locate books, ebooks and other sources. How to locate, borrow and return books in the physical library and reserve them for Click and Collect or postal loans.

Searching the **EBSCO Discovery Service** to locate a wide range of information sources. How to use it effectively to refine search results, save and cite sources.

Introducing the principles of referencing and/or navigating **Referencing@Portsmouth** to discover guidance for the most common sources and additional support, including bookable tutorials.

### Ocean of Information

Helping students to understand that information comes in many formats, from popular to academic. Encouraging them to confidently select the most appropriate sources for the context of their research.

### Introducing specialist subject resources

Some subject areas require students to access specialist resources from the outset. These might include resources from the library Subject pages such as specific databases relating to government, legal, business information, newspapers, online archives, maps and images.

### Specialist Subject Pages

The Subject pages bring together a wide range of resources from which students can select the most appropriate source for their research context. The pages generally include subject-specific ebook and journal databases, professional resources, statistics and data, news sources, archives and audio-visual collections.

Workshops may focus on all aspects of these pages, such as:

### Finding information for a literature review

Which might also include the research cycle, the ocean of information and general reference management.

### Advanced searching for dissertations and projects

Which might also include information literacy tips such as advanced search techniques and evaluating information, the e-dissertations database and advanced referencing advice.

### Systematic searching of literature and resources

Introducing a systematic approach to searching resources including subject specific databases and researcher tools such as Scopus and Web of Science.

Focus on specific aspects of these pages, such as **finding academic, professional and visual information, news sources** or **online archives**.

**AND/OR**

## Beyond the Subject Pages

Workshops may also include or focus on elements of information literacy such as **concept analysis, mind mapping, gathering keywords, reference management techniques** or **cited reference searching.**

And tips about **accessing resources beyond UoP Library, copyright** and **creating academic posters.**

## Special Collections

### University Archive

Introduction to archival research including the practicalities of finding and using archival material using our physical collection. Dating from 1870 to the present, it focuses on the history of our institution at the heart of the city of Portsmouth.

**Near and Far World Books @UoP**, a collection of bilingual, translated, non-English language books and children's favourites. Other items of interest include pop-up books from the **Glass Cupboard Collection.**

**Rare Books and Bolton Collection**, includes first editions, signed copies, pre-1800 books, private press and numbered editions; an eclectic mix of books and journals that can be examined for primary research, exploration of typography, illustration, binding etc.

**Map Library** including local, historical, unusual and current resources of cartographic interest.

## For Researchers

### Effective Literature Searching

Subject specific introduction to literature searching. Workshops may centre on the Searching for research webpage or Subject pages and include key research databases such as Scopus and Web of Science, citation searching, accessing theses and other kinds of information, such as grey literature.

### Reference Management Tools

An introduction to three of the most popular reference management tools, Mendeley, Endnote Web and Zotero.

## Contact Us

**Faculty Librarians —** follow contact details on the relevant subject page **library.port.ac.uk/10012**
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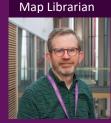
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