# Resources

## Library Services

[Library Services](http://library.worc.ac.uk) provides you with the books, journals and other online resources that you need to succeed on your course.

## Online resources and recommended reading

Start your reading by looking at the [resource list](resourcelists.worc.ac.uk) in each of your Blackboard modules. These contain key readings recommended by your course team. You’ll find lots of ebooks and online journal articles from the University of Worcester- click the View Online links.

[Library Search](file:///C:\Users\sykr2\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Outlook\A8ABO4K6\library.worc.ac.uk) gives you access to books and articles beyond your resource list.

Focus your search to online articles or ebooks using the tabs:

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[Library Services subject guide](https://library.worc.ac.uk/snm-subject-guide)s are the place to look for specialist resources including recommended research databases.

If you need a journal article or book chapter that is not part of our subscriptions we may be able to supply it via our [inter-library request service](https://library.worc.ac.uk/inter-library-requests). If you need the occasional book that is not available online but is available in print via Library Services, we can arrange for the book to be [posted to you](https://library.worc.ac.uk/borrowing-services#distance-learners). You will need to pay to post it back to us on time. Be aware that postal loans take time to arrange.

You can [listen to our ebooks](https://libraryfaqs.worc.ac.uk/faq/251808) if you prefer. If you struggle to read print comfortably due to dyslexia, autism, ADHD, a visual impairment or physical disability then [Bookshare](https://library.worc.ac.uk/accessible-texts-from-bookshare) is for you.

## Referencing in your academic work

Referencing is an important part of your academic writing. It enables you to show what you have been reading, and how it has influenced your thinking and reasoning. For your assignments, use Harvard Cite Them Right 12th edition. The [Library Services referencing webpage](https://library.worc.ac.uk/referencing) provides links to the referencing guides you need, as well as links to guidance on academic integrity and the University assessment policy. If you are permitted to use [artificial intelligence](https://library.worc.ac.uk/artificial-intelligence) in preparing for your assessments you will need to know how to acknowledge it. Our Academic Liaison Librarians can help with guidance on referencing, [reference management tools](https://library.worc.ac.uk/finding-and-managing-resources#managing-your-references) and [reference generators](https://youtu.be/6caqqRrOWDs?si=GgFUM1Pzc862en3z) at any point in your course.

## Guidance and advice

Our Academic Liaison Librarians will teach skills throughout your course which will enable you to find, organise, evaluate and reference information effectively.

### Quick queries

Got a quick query about finding or using sources, or about referencing?

* Search our [Frequently Asked Questions](https://libraryfaqs.worc.ac.uk/)
* Email the Ask a Librarian team: [askalibrarian@worc.ac.uk](mailto:askalibrarian@worc.ac.uk)
* [Live chat](https://library.worc.ac.uk/ask-a-librarian) with a librarian, 12-5pm Monday to Friday and 12-2pm on Saturdays during term time.

### For more in-depth guidance:

* Book a place on one of our [online workshops](https://worc.libcal.com/calendar/events) covering a range of topics including searching for sources, referencing sources, using University of Worcester ebooks, support for systematic reviews and much more.
* [Book an online appointment](https://library.worc.ac.uk/book-an-appointment) with your academic liaison librarian.

### Library Services videos, screencasts, and social media:

Follow us on Instagram, TikTok and YouTube. Search @UWLibraryServices

## Your College Learning Resources Centre (LRC)

*Include a section here where partners have their own local library provision that will be available to the learners (if this information isn’t already included elsewhere in the handbook). Contact the* [*Partnerships and Transitions Liaison Librarian*](mailto:r.sykes2@worc.ac.uk) *if you require further information on this.*

## The Hive

If you are visiting Worcester, we would love to see you in The Hive. The Hive is Worcester’s joint university and public library. The Hive has a [café](https://www.thehiveworcester.org/10885.html) and toilets; [print books](https://library.worc.ac.uk/borrowing-services); [study spaces](https://library.worc.ac.uk/sensory-guide-to-the-hive); wifi (select EduRoam from the options available), computers and printers; an interesting [events programme](https://www.thehiveworcester.org/whats-on.html) for all ages; a collection of [resources for early years professionals, teachers](https://library.worc.ac.uk/teaching-collection) and educators, and the largest children’s library in the Europe.

If you wish to [borrow books](https://library.worc.ac.uk/borrowing-services), your University of Worcester student ID is your library card. If you uploaded a photograph to SOLE when you registered, you will find your ID card on your [MyDay page](https://worc.myday.cloud/). Show this to a colleague in the Hive wearing a black top and gold lanyard and they will issue your books to you. If you did not upload a photo you can still borrow. Tell the librarians that you are a University of Worcester student and show some other ID so we know who you are.

Before you visit you might like to look at:

* [Opening hours and parking information](https://library.worc.ac.uk/getting-here)
* [Sensory guide to The Hive](https://library.worc.ac.uk/sensory-guide-to-the-hive)

## Using other university libraries

Apply via [SCONUL Access](https://www.sconul.ac.uk/sconul-access) if you would like to use study spaces, books or journals at other university libraries. Depending on where you live, you may also be entitled to borrow selected books from some libraries. The website tells you which libraries participate. If you live outside Worcestershire, select ‘Distance Learning Student’ when you apply.