University Library

Helping your students succeed
How can we help you to develop your students’ transferable skills?

We can help you develop your students’ ability to:

• Recognise what information resources and services are relevant to address a research topic or other practical need
• Search and evaluate the academic literature for their subject – as well as other relevant information resources
• Use primary sources effectively
• Reference to prescribed academic standards and conventions
• Explore a topic new to them independently and with confidence
• Develop these transferable skills for the professional environment and life-long learning

How do we do this?

We:

• Provide online skills tutorials and lectures which you can embed in your module’s Blackboard site
• Provide you with pre-prepared online materials that you can take and repurpose for your own needs
• Provide your students with online guides to high quality information resources for your subject
• Deliver bespoke lectures and seminars as part of your curriculum, focused on the specific subject and learning outcomes
• Team teach with you, helping to align skills development with your curriculum
• Offer 1 to 1 support and referrals for students who need help with specific literature searching skills and information resources
• Publish and maintain information on your Department’s preferred referencing style on the Library website.

Our students have really benefitted from the embedded sessions provided by the Library. Students are more confident in finding and critically appraising articles and primary literature, and use bibliographic software to download and manage their references. After these sessions staff have noticed a real improvement in these critical aspects of our students’ work.

Dr Sarah Gabbott, Teaching Director, Geology
How can we provide the information resources your students need?

Reading lists
You can use readinglists@Leicester, our online reading list system, to create your reading lists in your Web browser by gathering and organising information from the Library website, publishers and booksellers such as Amazon. Link to your list from Blackboard or anywhere else on the Web. When you ‘publish’ your list, we check it and order any new items as necessary. To find out more, visit www.le.ac.uk/readinglists

Essential reading
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Background reading
Link to eJournals and articles, websites and more. You can also link to our My Subject guides on the Library website, bringing together key information resources to support your students.

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