Welcome to the fourth edition of Y Cranc.

In this edition we’ll tell you about a recent change to our team and new ways that students can engage with us. We’ve included details on the replacement for Bankscope and a change to the interface of FAME. There’s a section about the new format of our library inductions and some useful details about Library Guides. Finally we’ve included some of our teaching statistics for semester one.

Staff changes

As I am sure most of you are aware, just before Christmas we said goodbye to Michele Davies. She had worked as a librarian supporting the School of Management for over 20 years. Here in the library we were all very sad to see her go, not only because she is a very knowledgeable librarian, but because she was a pleasure to work with.

Naomi Prady has been appointed your new Academic Liaison Librarian. She has been working as a Subject Librarian supporting the School of Management since 2015. You continue to be supported by Subject Librarians Philippa Price and Giles Lloyd-Brown. Contact the team via buslib@swansea.ac.uk or pop into the library.

SNL Financial replaces Bankscope

If you or your students need access to financial data about banks search SNL Financial. Previously we had a subscription to Bankscope, but the provider significantly changed the coverage of the data at the end of last year. After trialling potential replacement resources Accounting and Finance academics made the decision to go with SNL Financial (for 1 year initially).

SNL Financial provides access to current and historical financial data and news for over 50,000 banks globally. You can access it via iFind or our Library Guide.
New interface for FAME

We have a subscription to FAME that provides access to financial data on 180,000 large UK & Irish companies, with turnover of £1.5 million and more. FAME now has a new interface with simplified navigation and a much more visually pleasing way of presenting data. All the same information and tools are available as before they are just more intuitive to use. Now that it is more user-friendly let’s make sure we are recommending it to all students who need to find company financial data.

Library Inductions

This year, we changed the format of our library inductions for postgraduate and undergraduate School of Management students. We booked a lecture theatre to enable us to see large groups of students together and maintained interactivity and engagement by using an app called Slido. Slido let us poll students during the induction to check they understood and remembered key pieces of information. The app also allowed students to post live questions to us using their laptop or mobile device. Our most popular questions were:

• What time do other library services such as the café close?
• Can you play music through headphones in the silent study rooms at a reasonable volume?
• Are there any restrictions on what websites you can access on the library computers? Using YouTube for example.
• If you only have the book for one night, are you allowed to photocopy important pages to keep?
• Can you guys help with getting emails to come through to your phone?

You can find out the answers and see some of the other questions we had in our blog posts from October. We also have an infographic showing active users from our induction sessions and results from our poll questions.

Library Guides

Back in the Summer we launched our library guide for management. Here students can find the resources provided by the library, as well as accessing help and advice on topics such as literature searching and referencing. The management guide has had 13,487 views; we are really pleased that students are making good use of this resource.

Top 3 links

1. APA referencing guide
2. Business Source Complete
3. Mintel

We are currently gathering student feedback on the guide. If you have any comments please let us know at buslib@swansea.ac.uk
Making it easier for students to contact us

We're making it easier than ever for students to contact their subject librarians for help. Students can now see what appointments are available with their librarians and book a convenient time via the Management Library Guide.

From 1st March students will be able to live chat with the team via Library Guides. Librarians will be available online from 9am-5pm Monday to Friday.

We will also be offering the opportunity for students to meet with us online, using Skype.

We offer appointments throughout the year to help students in a number of areas such as finding information (including financial and market data), referencing and avoiding plagiarism.

Renew your information skills

The information landscape is constantly changing, not only for your students, but for you as well. With this in mind we have put together a series of training sessions specifically designed for academic staff to help you keep your skills up-to-date. All sessions will take place in the Bay Library.

To book your place visit libguides: libguides.swansea.ac.uk/management/staff

Library teaching statistics for Semester 1

During semester 1 the School of Management librarians delivered training for 1143 students covering literature searching, plagiarism & referencing and academic integrity.

Sessions for level 4 Economics and MSc Finance students will take place this semester.

Level 4 Accounting and Finance

- Literature searching - 124 (42.61%)
- Plagiarism & referencing - 111 (38.14%)
- Academic integrity module - 56 (19.24%)

Level 4 Business Management

- Literature searching - 257 (49.23%)
- Plagiarism & referencing - 201 (38.51%)
- Academic integrity module - 64 (12.26%)

Level 7 MSc Management

- Literature searching - 178 (53.94%)
- Plagiarism & referencing - 144 (43.64%)
- Academic integrity module - 8 (2.42%)
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