Welcome to the Autumn edition of Y Cranc.

In this edition we cover how we can support your research, how make to your reading list easily accessible and news on some new resources. We also introduce our new Information Literacy framework, recent improvements to Library Guides and discuss a range of workshops and training that we offer.

A helping hand with your research

Better Literature Reviews

Librarians aren’t just here to help students; we can support academic staff and researchers too. Please let us know if you would like some guidance on effective literature searching for better literature reviews. You’re welcome to come along to our breakfast sessions or we can arrange 1-2-1 appointments with you. We’d also be happy to contribute to existing SoM training programmes if that’s more convenient for you. Just email buslib@swansea.ac.uk, phone ext. 6038 or call into the library if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Getting the literature you need

As well as support with literature searching, the library can also help you to access journal articles and other publications that aren’t included as part of our current subscriptions. This is a free service, so don’t pay those access charges you might see on publishers’ websites! Just go to www.swansea.ac.uk/library/using-the-library/documentsupply and use the ‘Online ILL Request’ in the Actions/Quick Links column to request the items you need.
Workshops

The Bay Library runs a workshop programme, covering various themes including exam preparation and the processes involved in producing a research project.

Our workshops are friendly, interactive and informative, and are available at various times, including some early morning Breakfast sessions. They are open to ALL.

The programme for 2017/18 has just been finalised, Booking is recommended but not essential. It just forms a part of the services offered to staff and students.

Content from the sessions can be incorporated into 1-2-1 sessions, group sessions and lectures.

More information on the workshops can be found at: libguides.swan.ac.uk/management or by emailing buslib@swansea.ac.uk

New Resources

Additional Mintel content

We have taken some extra package from Mintel

- Brands
- Trends
- Lifestyles – UK
- Consumer attitudes and trends – China

Coming soon:

Thomson Eikon will replace Datastream
Make your reading list easily accessible

Help your students complete the reading for your module by removing as many barriers as you can. Make sure you:

- Add all reading to the reading list system
- Copies or the reading are available via the library
- Digitise articles and key chapters if they are not available electronically

This simple flow-chart walks you through the steps you need to take.

“The ISS document scanning service is easy, efficient and user-friendly! An excellent way of making key reading-material available to students, via BB module sites” Dr Christine James - Academi Hywel Teif
Over the last few months, Swansea University Information, Services and Systems have been working towards creating an Information Literacy framework. There are a number of existing frameworks available. However, the library wanted to create a simplified, flexible and adaptable model that works for students and staff at Swansea University.

The framework is being widely circulated and further information is available from the home page of Academic Staff Support Guide on the Library Guides. The School of Management library team have created a document mapping Information Literacy workshops and current Information Literacy lectures and sessions in order to identify gaps and duplication. This document is available from the Management tab within the Academic Staff Support library guide. The purpose of the framework is to provide a plan for Information literacy progression, measure progress, help articulate outcomes and importantly provide a platform for discussion with the schools on improving the information literacy of the student community.

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academicstaff

Postgraduate Research training

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New improved Library Guide

We’ve been busy updating the Library Guide for the School of Management.

We’ve integrated the popular Assignment Survival Kit into the Management Library Guides. This kit is designed to help develop their time management skills. All the students need to do to get started is enter their assignment due date and this tool will give a suggested timescale for completing the assignment. Tasks suggested include planning, finding and evaluating materials and writing a first draft.

Students will find a new tab to promote our information skills sessions, including links to library inductions and our Post Graduate Research Programme.

To see all of our updates please visit libguides.swan.ac.uk/management

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