

ALBERT SLOMAN LIBRARY



University of Essex

WELCOME

Welcome to the Albert Sloman Library. Whether you're a student or a researcher, we're at the heart of your time at the University of Essex.



Find us on Square 5, near the Ivor Crewe Lecture Hall and the Silberrad Student Centre.

MEMBERSHIP

Once you've completed registration with the University, you're automatically a member of the library.



You'll be given a registration card – bring it with you whenever you visit as you'll need it to borrow – and an IT account (username and password) which will allow you to access our eresources.

OPENING HOURS

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

8am to 10pm

SATURDAY

9am to 6pm

SUNDAY

2pm to 7pm



Our reading rooms on the ground floor are always open overnight. Our opening hours are different during vacations; check our website for full details.

STUDY ENVIRONMENT

We offer a variety of study environments, so if you want to study in a group, on your own, or even in absolute silence, we're the place for you – just look out for signs in the library which will direct you to the right place.



You can bring cold drinks and snacks in to most parts of the library, but check the signs to make sure.

IT FACILITIES

We've got over 150 PCs available throughout our building, including more than 60 which are available in our overnight reading rooms when the main building is closed.



Wi-fi (Eduroam) is available throughout the whole building, and new MFDs allow you to print, copy and scan using your IT account.

FINDING RESOURCES

Encore is our library search engine – use it to search for all the resources you need.



It will tell you where in the library to find print items – books, journals and articles – just make a note of the classmark and the location of each item to know where to find it.

FINDING RESOURCES

Encore also has links to our eresources – online databases, ebooks and ejournals which you can access 24/7, wherever you are – from North Towers to South America!



Use your IT account to access our eresources, and check out our eresource guides on the library website.

READING LISTS

You can find all your reading list items with the click of a button whether they're in the Library or online.



Follow the links from Moodle or check the library website for details and help.

COLLECTIONS

All our books are arranged by subject, so similar books are nearby on the shelves. Most books are kept on floors 2–5 but you'll find our most popular books from reading lists in our Student Collection or Short Loan Collection.



Some of our hidden treasures are held in our Special Collections – find out more about these on our website.

BORROWING

Once you've found the items you want, take them to the self-service machines on the ground floor to borrow them.



More information on how many books you can borrow (and for how long) is available on our website.

BORROWING

Check your library account online to know when your books are due. We'll also send you email reminders.



You can renew most items online, but if you can't renew an item you'll need to return it. If someone wants a book you've already borrowed, we'll ask for it back (possibly early).

FURTHER AFIELD

If you can't find the resources you need at Essex, you can register for the SCONUL Access scheme which will allow you to visit lots of other academic libraries (and postgraduates can borrow).



Our Inter-Library Loans team can also help to get hold of material you need – see our website for more details.

HELP

If you've got a question, just ask your nearest member of library staff. We're easy to spot, with our library lanyards, and we'll always point you in the right direction. You can also come see us at the Helpdesk on the ground floor.



If you can't visit the library,
why not phone or email us?



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SUBJECT SUPPORT

We're here to help you make the most of your library. Your subject librarian is the best person to help you find the information you need.



Check out who your subject librarian is and how to get in touch with him/her on our website.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

We can help you get the best degree possible and boost your employability by developing your information skills.



See our website for details of workshops and drop-in sessions delivered around campus by the Library team.

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