

How can the Library help you to find resources?

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- Information on the Library website
- Online tutorial to guide you to data sources and show you how to search them
- Individual enquiry support

Business and Economics tutorial


Develop your search and referencing skills, and find the most appropriate resources for your studies.

Search techniques

Finding items on your reading list and beyond - this short series of videos will take you through the steps of how to search Encore for items on your reading list and beyond.

 [How do I find books?](#)

 [How do I find journal articles?](#)

 [How do I access e-resources?](#)

Learn the steps of developing a search strategy to find books and journal articles. This will equip you with the skills to improve your literature searching.

Developing a [search strategy](#) »

Identifying resources

Learn how to identify subject specific sources that are suitable for your topic.

- [Company and financial data](#) »
- [Economic data](#) »
- [Journal articles and news](#) »
- [Market research and industry reports](#) »
- [Social and panel data](#) »

Referencing: why and how?

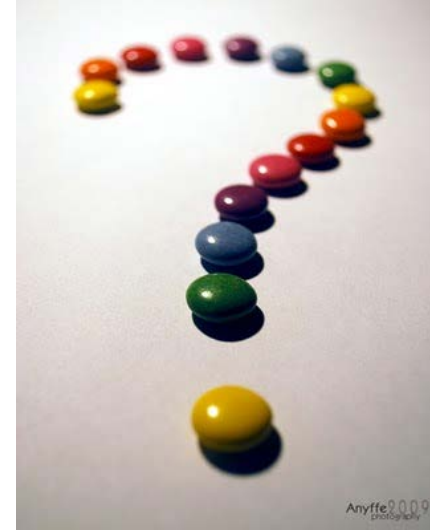
Discover why referencing is important, and how to use Harvard referencing style correctly.

Introduction to referencing - understand referencing terminology and familiarises yourself with good referencing practice.

What can I do to support you?

- Advise you on relevant available sources
- Hunt for data sources
- Show you how to search the databases
- Help you to find relevant books, articles and working papers

What can I not do??? Among many other things, I can't....



- Advise you on methodology – contact your supervisor or tutor
- Help with Stata or other software – contact IT Services or your supervisor; or look for books in the Library to guide you
- Buy a new database

What should you do?

- Familiarise yourself with the Library tutorial
- Be aware of Library resources
- Try out the databases
- Have a Plan B as well as Plan A – be flexible!
- PLAN AHEAD – to choose your topic and look for data

Use the Library website to find available databases

Choose the best databases by **Subject** or **Type**

Arts and Humanities

[Art and Design](#)
[Art, History \(History of art\)](#)
[Classics](#)
[Comparative American Studies](#)
[Cultural Policy Studies](#)
[English and Comparative Literature](#)
[Film and Television Studies](#)
[French Studies](#)
[German Studies](#)
[Italian Studies](#)
[History](#)
[Philosophy](#)
[Renaissance Studies](#)
[Theatre Studies](#)
[Translation](#)

Sciences

[Astronomy \(Alternative Encore list\)](#)
[Chemistry](#)
[Computer Science](#)
[Engineering](#)
[Environment & Natural Resources](#)
[Geographical and Earth Sciences](#)
[Life Sciences](#)
[Manufacturing](#)
[Materials](#)
[Mathematics and Statistics](#)
[Medicine and Dentistry](#) 5
[Physics](#)
[Psychology](#)

Social Sciences

[Anthropology](#)
[Applied Linguistics](#)
[Business](#)
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Type of database

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Recommended sources for journal articles

- EconLit – specifically intended for Economists
- Business Source Complete
- ABI/Inform
- Plus working papers from:
- RePEc – Research Papers in Economics
- SSRN – Social Science Research Network
- Google Scholar...

Why use Library databases???

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- Google may suggest too many results
- The quality of free sources on the internet varies greatly
- Using a database like EconLit allows you to find relevant and reliable articles quickly
- Save time searching and spend it more profitably!



Data sources - especially recommended:

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- UK Data Service
- OECD i-Library
- Datastream

Check out the reliable free websites, e.g.

- United Nations – UNData
- World Bank
- OECD
- Eurostat
- FAOSTAT
- And more...

What if data is unavailable?

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Remember...

- There is more data for some countries than for others
- There may be gaps in data for certain countries
- Some measures of data were not provided in earlier years – you could do the calculations yourself!
- Avoid commercial data publishers offering to sell you a dataset – even if you are sure of the quality, it will be expensive
- Some reliable data may be freely available
- Pick data which is readily available for a Warwick student

If in doubt, always contact me

- Plan ahead and seek guidance to turn the nightmare into success!



For subject support, you can always contact your librarian 😊

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- Contact details are on the Library website
- E-mail is the recommended way to contact me
- You can also phone or ask staff at the Floor 1 help desk to see if I am free
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