

Literature Searching

Library Q&A

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This slide was added after the presentation for MyAberdeen use

- This online session was held on Thursday 17 December 2020 in the PGR Collaborate Meeting Room
- A recording is available in MyAberdeen: MyPGR > Meeting room > Meeting Room (Collaborate Room) > 3 lines on top left > Recordings (thank you to Anton for the instructions 😊)
- Each of the sessions is supported by worksheets and information sheets – you learn more by doing than watching and listening! The worksheets are available in the Library folder/module along with the presentation slides

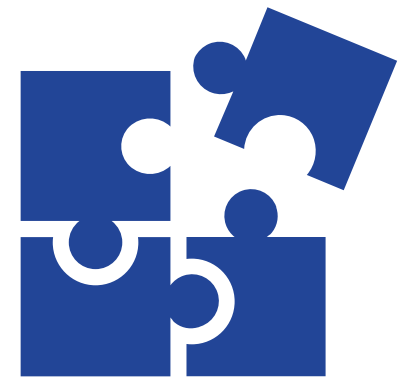
- Questions?

- Alerts in databases



Outline: support materials

- Recordings and/or presentation slides, worksheets
 - Library induction (in pandemic times)
 - Literature searching: Part 1 - Overview, plan, access, and library support
 - Literature searching: Part 2 - Primo, Ebooks & Google
 - Literature searching: Part 3 - Scopus & Web of Science databases
 - Literature searching: Library Q&A



Overview: Literature search

- **Plan**
 - Keywords, other search terms
 - Link/relationship – OR, AND, NOT
- **Search rules**
 - Every resource is different
 - Apply correctly for effective searches
- **Different resources for different document types**
 - Participate in the workshops or use the recordings and worksheets
- **Ask for help if you need it**



Library: Help & support - Subject contacts

- Arts & Humanities
 - Ewan Grant – e.grant@abdn.ac.uk
- Business & Law
 - Janet MacKay – j.i.mackay@abdn.ac.uk
- Dentistry, Medicine & Medical Sciences
 - Mel Bickerton – m.bickerton@abdn.ac.uk
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<https://www.abdn.ac.uk/library/support/contacts-106.php#panel162>

Library & IT: Help and support

Library: Subject support

- Information Consultants & Information Adviser
- Subject & Enquiry staff: subjectteam@abdn.ac.uk
- Generic email account: library@abdn.ac.uk
- Worksheets in our wiki (FinditFast!) <http://finditfastlibraryworkshops.pbworks.com>
 - Worksheets will also be made available in MyAberdeen (Nov/Dec)
- See www.abdn.ac.uk/coursebooking and info from PGR School on workshops and tutorials
- Can arrange a 1-to-1 online meeting if needed. Contact your Information Consultant



IT difficulties:

- Details at <https://www.abdn.ac.uk/it/student/help/index.php>
- Email: servicedesk@abdn.ac.uk Also online Chat and MyIT
 - Working hours: 08.00 – 18.00 (UK time)
- Toolkit at <https://www.abdn.ac.uk/toolkit/>

