

Imperial College  
London

# Library and Evidence Services for NHS Staff



# Welcome – we're here to help

Library and Evidence Services at Imperial College London support the clinical, research and educational needs of all of our NHS users.

We have a team of dedicated librarians who support the Faculty of Medicine and the NHS.

Find out who can help you  
[www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs/your-librarian](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs/your-librarian)

Contact us  
[nhslibrarysupport@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:nhslibrarysupport@imperial.ac.uk)  
[www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs)

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# Using the Library

## Membership

Staff and apprentices from the NHS trusts that have agreements with Imperial College London Library can join with full or reference membership, depending on eligibility. Students on placement in those Trusts are also eligible to join.

- To apply for library membership, complete our online registration form at [www.imperial.ac.uk/library/use-the-library/membership/nhs](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/library/use-the-library/membership/nhs)
- We will provide you with a login for accessing the Library's PCs, the College WiFi and your library account
- As a member you can use any of our libraries
- If you have an honorary contract at Imperial College London you have already been automatically registered with the Library and can access services using their Imperial College London ID card

## Borrowing

- You can borrow up to 20 items\*
- Items are issued for 3 weeks\* and will be automatically renewed for up to 12 months
- If an item you have is requested by someone else, you will need to return it by the latest due date
- We only charge fines for the late return of items that have been requested by another reader
- You can borrow and return at any of our libraries
- If the item you want is held at another Imperial library, you can request it and have it delivered to the library of your choice

\*Placement students can borrow up to 5 items for one week.



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# KnowledgeShare

KnowledgeShare is a platform that connects you with Library and Evidence Services and helps you stay in touch with the latest developments in your field. With KnowledgeShare you can:

- **Receive personalised evidence updates** – tailored to your specific professional interests
- **Request evidence searches** – we can search for evidence to support management and organisational development, clinical practice, quality improvement and research
- **Sign up to training sessions** – browse upcoming workshops and book your place



Log in to  
KnowledgeShare

Visit [www.knowledgeshare.nhs.uk](http://www.knowledgeshare.nhs.uk) and log in with your OpenAthens account. If you don't have an OpenAthens account you can self-register at [openathens.nice.org.uk](http://openathens.nice.org.uk)

# Training and one-to-one support

Our librarians offer training on finding and using information to support your practice, education and research. Sessions take place online or in person and include:

- database searching
  - evidence-based practice
  - introduction to critical appraisal
  - preparing for publication
- and more

Schedules and information about booking training or one-to-one support is available at [www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs/training](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs/training)

If you are new to the Trust or the Library, we can arrange an induction with you. We are also available to take part in induction events for new intakes of NHS staff, apprentices and placement students.

## FAQs

### Where does the training take place?

Online, in the Library or in your department.

### Can you run a customised session?

We offer bespoke training tailored to your or your team's interests and experience levels. Contact your librarian to discuss your needs.

### How do I request an evidence search?

1. Check our website to find out about the searches we can do
2. Log in to KnowledgeShare
3. Go to the Evidence tab
4. Click on Request an Evidence Search

Our expert librarians will provide you with a list of articles and other resources to answer your question.



Book a one-to-one with an NHS Support Librarian

# NHS Knowledge and Library Hub

The NHS Knowledge and Library Hub is your gateway to online resources. The Hub connects you to high-quality knowledge and evidence, including:

- journals and databases, e.g. MEDLINE, CINAHL and Trip Pro
- e-books, e.g. Kortext, Oxford Medicine Online and Maudsley Prescribing Guidelines
- clinical decision support resources, e.g. NICE Guidelines, BMJ Best Practice and Royal Marsden Manual
- policy and management information and research

Finding articles via the Hub is easy. With one click you can get the full text or place a request if instant access is not available.

Access the Hub via **[library.nhs.uk/knowledgehub](https://library.nhs.uk/knowledgehub)** with your NHS OpenAthens account.

Self-register for NHS OpenAthens at **[openathens.nice.org.uk](https://openathens.nice.org.uk)**

## In our libraries

When you visit our libraries you can access the full range of Imperial College London resources, including print books, e-books, journals and databases. We subscribe to Web of Science, Scopus and many other resources which are not available via OpenAthens.

**We welcome book recommendations. You can suggest items via Library Search or by contacting your librarian.**



Log in to the HUB

# Library Search

To browse our resources, place requests or suggest new items, use Library Search at [library-search.imperial.ac.uk](http://library-search.imperial.ac.uk)

## Finding material elsewhere

Our free Document Delivery Service allows you to request items that are not available at Imperial College London. We can obtain books, articles, theses and more, nationally and internationally. We will supply your requests electronically wherever possible.

Find out more at [www.imperial.ac.uk/library/find-books-articles-and-more/document-delivery](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/library/find-books-articles-and-more/document-delivery)

## Using library computers and WiFi

With your membership, you will be given a login that allows you to use PCs and WiFi in our libraries and sign in to your library account.

### **NHS Staff who have honorary contracts with Imperial College London**

If you have an honorary contract with the College, you can register for a College account.

Register for a College account at [www.imperial.ac.uk/ict/new-to-imperial/staff](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/ict/new-to-imperial/staff)



### FAQs

#### **Can I use my USB memory stick?**

Yes. We recommend that you use a personal, unencrypted memory stick.

#### **Can I use the printers?**

Our printer-copiers allow printing, scanning to email and photocopying.

- Library members receive £2.00 complimentary print credit
- You may purchase additional credit as required
- Printing, copying or scanning must comply with current copyright legislation



[Browse Library Search](#)

# Our libraries

## **ABDUS SALAM LIBRARY**

Imperial College London  
South Kensington Campus  
London SW7 2AZ

library@imperial.ac.uk  
+44 (0)20 7594 8810

Nearest tube: Gloucester  
Road/South Kensington

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## **CHARING CROSS CAMPUS LIBRARY**

Imperial College London  
Charing Cross Campus  
St Dunstan's Rd  
London W6 8RP

cxissuedesk@imperial.ac.uk  
+44 (0)20 7594 0755

The library is on the 2nd floor  
of the Reynolds Building.

Nearest tube: Barons Court/  
Hammersmith

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## **CHELSEA AND WESTMINSTER CAMPUS LIBRARY**

Imperial College London  
Chelsea and Westminster  
Hospital  
369 Fulham Road  
London SW10 9NH

The Library is on the  
lower ground floor.

librarycw@imperial.ac.uk  
+44 (0)20 3315 8107

Nearest tube: Fulham  
Broadway/South Kensington

## **HAMMERSMITH CAMPUS LIBRARY**

Imperial College London  
Hammersmith Campus  
Du Cane Road  
London W12 0NN

hammersmithlibrary  
@imperial.ac.uk  
+44 (0)20 7594 9943

The library is on the  
1st floor of the  
Commonwealth Building.

Nearest tube: White City/  
East Acton

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## **ROYAL BROMPTON CAMPUS LIBRARY**

Royal Brompton Campus  
Guy Scadding Building  
Dovehouse Street  
London SW3 6LY

br.library@imperial.ac.uk  
+44 (0)20 7594 7917

Nearest tube: South  
Kensington

## **ST MARY'S FLEMING LIBRARY**

St Mary's Fleming Library  
Imperial College London  
St Mary's Campus  
Norfolk Place  
London W2 1PG

sm-lib@imperial.ac.uk  
+ 44 (0)20 7594 3692

Nearest tube: Paddington

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## **SILWOOD PARK CAMPUS LIBRARY**

Imperial College London  
Hamilton Building  
Silwood Park Campus  
Ascot  
Berkshire SL5 7PY

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@imperial.ac.uk  
+44 (0)20 7594 2461

Nearest train: Sunningdale

Contact us  
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[www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/library/nhs)

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