

Welcome to London Metropolitan University Library Podcast

Subject Librarians, get to know yours today!

This podcast will introduce you to Subject Librarians and how they can help you throughout your university career. After listening you'll wonder how you ever did without one and your grades may never be the same again.

So, what is a subject librarian?

Well, they are subject specialists who focus on managing and supporting specific subjects. They buy materials for the library, such as journals, books and online resources. Most importantly for you the student, they can help you with your research. Guidance is provided to help you source relevant information for your essays and dissertations. Database help is also provided.

They are indeed pretty useful to get to know.

Don't believe me?

Well, here's Simon an undergraduate in his final year and this is what he said about his experience.

I didn't discover my subject librarian until half way through my second year. At the time I was stuck on an essay and couldn't get the information my lecturer told me I needed. On looking at the library website I found there are librarians for each subject.

I emailed first, explained my topic and said I was stuck. I got a really nice reply telling me which databases I could use and also suggestions for a few books. I was also told about subject enquiry sessions. Later I decided to go along to one to find out about using databases. It was such a revelation. I wish I'd done this in my first year. It would have made things SO much easier. **Once I start my dissertation I am going to contact my subject librarian again.**

Sounds great yes? Well, Subject Librarians are here for all students.

So, to find out who your subject librarian is and how to contact them, go to the library home pages at www.londonmet.ac.uk forward slash library for further details. That address again, www.londonmet.ac.uk forward slash library

Happy studying!