



Library MAPS Team contacts

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Staffing

Robert Tomaszewski has succeeded Vicky Webb as Subject Librarian for MAPS, except for Chemistry which Fran Wood continues to support.

Recruitment is in progress for an Academic Support Manager : Arts and Humanities, Social Science and Science, until October 2014 in the first instance.

Open Access

Library Services was pleased to hold a very well attended Open Access Forum on 25 October 2013, part of the international Open Access Week.

The Open Access team welcome all opportunities to meet researchers and let them know about the funding arrangements that are in place to facilitate Open Access publishing. A calendar of forthcoming events is available here <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/library/open-access/events>

Open Access briefings or workshops can also be provided for individual departments or committees – please contact the Science Team for further information
lib-sciteam@ucl.ac.uk

Library Open Forum

Next year's Open Forum is scheduled to take place on 26th February, 2014 from 13:30 to 15:30 in the J Z Young Lecture Theatre (Anatomy Building). An agenda will be circulated nearer the time.

New resources

Access to the History of Science, Technology and Medicine database was interrupted while it moved to the EBSCO platform. We are pleased to report that a new subscription has been arranged. This will initially be for 1 simultaneous user, with provision to increase the concurrency if usage levels are higher.

Student spaces

In October a new study and recreational space opened for all UCL graduate students: the Graduate Hub. This central space, solely for the use of UCL graduate students, is located in the South Wing basement opposite the Print Room Café. Incorporating the old Graduate Common Room, the new suite of rooms comprises a seminar room for group discussion and presentations, a breakout space with integrated kitchenette, printing and scanning facilities, and a revamped common room. From Spring 2014, the space will be further extended with a suite of individual study carrels. Following the successful model of the Research Grid, the new space is managed by Library Services and is open 24-7.

A survey is being conducted to gauge levels of satisfaction with UCL's learning spaces such as the Jeremy Bentham Room and the Graduate Hub, with an opportunity to win a Kindle. The survey can be accessed here <https://opinio.ucl.ac.uk/s?s=25703>

Christmas opening hours

Following a successful pilot in 2012, the Main and Science Libraries will again be open for 7 days over the Christmas break this year (on 21-23 & 27-30 December); for full details see the opening hours pages at <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/library/opening>

The Jeremy Bentham Room, Graduate Hub and the Research Grid will also be open.

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