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Library Newsletter for Engineering Students



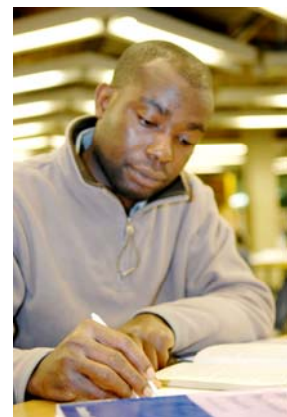
Hello there and welcome! Lucky you for stumbling upon the very first issue of **Magnet** specially created for students in the Engineering Faculty. This newsletter is written by Library staff with specialist knowledge of your department - in fact by THE Library Engineering Team! We'll be bringing you all the latest hot gossip on new resources, services and Library developments which will put all you budding engineers ahead of the game.

Many of you will have no idea who we are or what exactly we can do to help you up your grades. So check out a brief description of who we are, what we do and how we can be contacted.

If you find **Magnet** helpful, please let us know. Feedback will help us to customise our content to maximise the benefits for you. Read on...

More support for final year students !

The Library Engineering team have always supported students with their final year projects, this year the team has decided to introduce new drop-in sessions to provide added support. Students are encouraged to bring with them to the session project titles or key words relating to their project, they are also welcome to discuss a particular problem they may have with using library resources.



Where and when ?

Civil and Building Engineering drop-in sessions will be based at the Computer room, RT0.26 between 4 and 5pm in the following weeks:

Week 7 13th November

Week 8 20th November

Contact: S.F.McKeating@lboro.ac.uk if you wish to attend

Wolfson School sessions will be held in Training Room 1 (on Level 3 of the Library) between 12 and 2pm on the following dates:

Week 6 7th November

Week 7 14th November

Week 8 17th November

Contact: T.M.Marshall@lboro.ac.uk if you wish to attend

Aeronautical and Automotive Engineering and Electrical Engineering drop-in sessions will be held in the Library Training Rooms, (on Level 3 of the library), between 12 and 2pm on the following dates:

Week 7 12th November Training Room 2

Week 8 19th November Training Room 1

Week 9 26th November Training Room 2

Contact: R.Jones2@lboro.ac.uk if you wish to attend.

Don't forget to contact your academic librarian if you need any further help

New self service system goes live

If you've not been in the Library over the summer you will notice quite a difference when you walk back in. The Library has brand new self service machines on all floors and a new look Information and Enquiries desk.



The Library has switched to a RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) circulation system which means you can quickly and easily issue more than one book to yourself at any one time. You can also return books, renew items, view your Library account and pay any fines you owe all at the self-service machine.

Brush up your Know-How!

Want to improve your essay writing skills or find information for a piece of coursework? Anxious about giving a presentation or need to find newspaper articles? - then the Library could have a course for you. The Library's Know-How courses cover a range of topics and are held at lunchtimes in Training Room 1 on Level 3 of the Library. For more information on what's available and how to book look at the [Know-How courses web page](#).

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Papers are now online!

That's right - no more hiking to the Library in the wind and the rain to queue for the SAE technical paper CD-ROMs, and finding the disk you wanted had been broken by the last person. Now the Sae Technical Papers from 1990 onwards are available in full-text via the web. On campus you need no username and password. Just go to the Library's [Metalib](#) service (and use the Find Database option to locate the **SAE Digital Library**). Off-campus access is available via the Remote Working Portal. See <https://vpn.lboro.ac.uk/> for more info.



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