

Library Orientation for 2010 Econ Graduate Students

Library Homepage: <http://library.pdx.edu>

Reference Desk (contact The Desk first)

2nd floor (facing the elevators)

Circulation Desk: 503.725.4424; Reference Desk: 503.725.2399

<http://www.pdx.edu/library/askus.html>

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Service Highlights:

- Borrowing books from PSU Library: 3 weeks/3 renewals, unlimited number
- Summit borrowing and Interlibrary Loan: getting stuff from other libraries
- Wireless Internet in the whole building (ODIN ID/password required)
- Study rooms available for individuals or groups (first come first serve)
- Practice presentation room for individuals or groups (first come first serve)
- 2nd floor: computer lab and group study tables; 4th & 5th floor: “quiet floors”, carrels available
- Most databases accessible off-campus (ODIN & password required)
- Many ways to ask a question: Reference Desk (2nd floor), phone, email, chat, appointment

Getting “stuff” from the Library:

- **Books, Journals, CDs & Videos, and some articles:** PSU WorldCat -> SUMMIT/Find it @ PSU -> Interlibrary Loan
- **Articles:**
 - Online databases -> full text -> print/email/save
 - Online databases -> no full text -> Find it @ PSU
 - Find it @ PSU -> find full text or print
 - Find it @ PSU -> no full text or print -> Interlibrary Loan
 - Google Scholar: verify an incomplete citation, discovery tool

Essential Library Online Databases: library homepage -> find databases & articles -> by subjects -> economics

Business Source Premier	Articles, country studies, company & industry profiles
CQ Researcher	In-depth research reports on current hot topics
Dissertations & Masters Theses	Full text of dissertations from 1997-present; citations/abstracts for earlier ones
EconLit	Journals, books, dissertations, and working papers on economics
Economist Historical Archive	Fulltext articles published between 1843-2003
EIU (Economist Intelligence Unit)	Country commerce and finance, news
Global Market Information Database	Country-specific time series data from Euromonitor
IFS (International Financial Statistics) Online	Financial and economic time series data for over 200 countries since 1948 (as available)
LexisNexis Academic	News, articles, and government publications
NBER Working Paper Series	PDF working papers by the national Bureau of Economics Research programs
PAIS (Public Affairs Information Service)	Books, articles, reports, etc., on various topics of public policy
SourceOECD/OECDiLibrary	Articles, books, reports, and statistics from OECD
WDI (World Development Indicators) Online	Data on 700 development indicators (population, economic, environmental, etc.) for over 200 countries since 1960

Evaluating & Citing Sources:

How to cite sources: <http://www.lib.pdx.edu/instruction/survivalguide/index.htm>

** Find out whether a publication is “scholarly/peer-reviewed/refereed”: use the database *Ulrich’s International Periodicals Directory*

PSU Writing Center: <http://www.writingcenter.pdx.edu/index.php>

** Writing Center Outpost: 9am – 1pm, M-F; 2nd floor of the Library