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# Online Library in a Nutshell

Economics,  
Management,  
Finance and Social  
Sciences

[onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk](http://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk)

## What is the Online Library?

The Online Library is a Library service dedicated to supporting the University of London's distance learning community. It provides access to a range of resources similar to those available in a physical library. All resources have been carefully selected and purchased because of their high academic quality and as such are more reliable than those freely available on the Internet.

## Accessing the Online Library

- The content in the Online Library is stored in collections known as databases. The databases relevant to EMFSS can be accessed from **Programme Gateway for EMFSS Law** is available at: [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/programme/emfss](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/programme/emfss)
- The databases are password-protected.
- The **Cambridge Core**, **Dawson's ebooks**, **IngentaConnect** and **Statista** databases require an **Athens** account. To get an Athens account, just complete the online form: [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/resources/register-athens](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/resources/register-athens)
- Other databases can also be accessed using your **Student Portal** account
- Each database has a **Login Guide** that explains how to log into it.

## Databases

All the databases shown in the EMFSS Programme gateway have content relevant to EMFSS. Here is an overview of some of the key databases:

- **ABI/INFORM Global**  
ABI/INFORM is a database covering business, management, economics and a wide range of related fields. It provides abstracts of material from 1971 onwards and over 2,000 titles in full text, from 1987 onwards.



- **Business Source Premier**

Full text coverage of nearly 7,600 business publications, including full text coverage of over 1,100 peer-reviewed, scholarly journals. Coverage back to 1922 in some cases.

- **JStor**

JSTOR offers high-quality, interdisciplinary content, including over one thousand leading academic journals across the humanities and social sciences.

- **Dawson's ebooks**

The Online Library has purchased several hundred core text books in electronic format, including many of the core textbooks. Athens password required.

- **Sage Journals Online**

This resource contains many of the Online Library's collection of journals in the areas of management and organisation studies. Athens password required.

- **Statista**

Statista is an excellent resource for researching quantitative data, statistics and related information. It has statistics on a broad range of topics, including many industries and countries. Statista also provides a variety of reports and dossiers about more than 1000 topics. These include all top statistics on a specific topic compiled by experts, and they are regularly updated with new forecasts.

## Searching the Online Library

### Journal and newspaper articles

You can search for journal and newspaper articles across all the Online Library databases using the easy-to-use **Summon search engine**, and you can link across to the full-text from the search results.

You can also browse individual journal titles by searching for the journal title in the **A-Z Journals List**.



### ebooks

Most of the Library's collection of ebooks is stored in the **Dawson's ebooks** database, which can be searched using Summon.

### Statistics

Statistics and statistical reports on a wide range of topics can be found by searching in the **Statista** database.

## Accessing course readings

The majority of the essential readings for EMFSS are available in the Online Library and you can find them using the Summon search engine. Unfortunately, not everything is available from publishers in digital format, so there are some items that are not available in the Library. We are continually adding content as it becomes available though, so you can check the **Recent**

**Acquisitions page for EMFSS at [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/recent-acquisitions-emfss](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/recent-acquisitions-emfss)**

to see if something you have been looking for has been recently added.

See the **Guide to accessing EMFSS readings** page for more information: [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/emfssreadings](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/emfssreadings)

## Getting help

### Support Guides

Familiarise yourself with the Online Library website by taking the **Virtual Tour**:

[onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/support/help/virtual-library-tour](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/support/help/virtual-library-tour)

Watch the **Getting Started with the Online Library** video tutorial [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/getting-started-emfss](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/getting-started-emfss)

See the detailed **Guide to the Online Library for EMFSS** [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/sites/default/files/files/guides/guide-online-library-emfss.pdf](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/sites/default/files/files/guides/guide-online-library-emfss.pdf)

### The Online Library Enquiry Service

You can get help from a librarian through the Online Library Enquiry Service. Please have your **Student Registration** Number ready when you contact us.

• **Phone:** +44(0)20 7862 8478  
Available Monday-Friday, 09:00-17:00 UK time

• **Email:** [onlinelibrary@shl.lon.ac.uk](mailto:onlinelibrary@shl.lon.ac.uk)

• **Ask a Librarian** service (including Live Chat in designated hours): [onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/support/help/online-library-enquiry-service/ask-librarian-live-chat](https://onlinelibrary.london.ac.uk/support/help/online-library-enquiry-service/ask-librarian-live-chat)