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When is the Library open?

Main Library

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Monday – Thursday: 8.00am – 10.00pm
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How do I borrow?

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How can I find what I need in the Main Library?

Ground Floor:

- Information Desk
- Research Help
- Loans Desk
- Short Loans
- Group Study rooms
- Computers
- Print journals
- Law Library
- Postgraduate space
- Law Archives
- Rare books

Level 1:

- Books
- Large items
- Quiet study
- Computers
- Labs 1 & 2
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Level 2:

- Print journals
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Use Library computers on all levels for studying, researching and writing. 
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> Safeguard your work by saving early and often.
> Accessing non-UOW websites at Library computers will be counted against your internet quota.

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Printing & Copying

Use your UOW ID card to print and copy.
1. Add credit to your card in the Print/Copy room
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Wireless internet access

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Using the Library catalogue

Go to: www.library.uow.edu.au > Search > Catalogue

Search Guru:
Google-like search across all resources. Use Search Guru to find items on a topic.

Subject code:
Search for readings prescribed by your lecturer, including Short Loans and e-readings.

Classic catalogue:
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My Library:
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Library locations

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Libraries at other locations
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