

Let's get personal! Get personalised advice on:

Finding & referencing literature Accessing specialist datasets

Monday - Friday, 11am - 3pm

All LSE's departments have a dedicated Academic Support Librarian who can offer specialised subject support and guidance on using the Library's resources. Librarians can also help you with questions about citing and referencing the sources you use.

Research ethics & data management

Every Thursday, 3 - 4pm

Are you collecting data as part of your dissertation or thesis? Wondering how best to organise and back up your data? Whatever questions you have, get in touch with experts on data management who can provide you with guidance and top tips.

Qualitative & quantitative research methods

Every Thursday, 10 - 11am & 3 - 4pm

What's the deal with Type I and II errors? Thematic analysis? P-values? Focus groups? Get support and advice on any methods-related issues from the experts in the Methodology Department.

... and everything else

Monday - Friday, 8am - 8pm

LSE LIFE Study Advisers can talk with you about all the usual stuff, including many aspects of your dissertation - planning your time, finding your narrative and structuring your writing, or just as a sounding board for any new ideas you might have.

Your Undergraduate Dissertation

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Get started with your dissertation

Thurs 5 November, 3pm

Dissertations aren't easy, so let's work together! In this workshop, we'll share practical tips to help you to make progress on your undergraduate dissertation. It doesn't matter if you've just started, haven't started, or have already made some progress, come along to hear how you can effectively tackle your research project and meet other 3rd year students from across the departments currently working on a dissertation.

Online, all the time. We have loads of resources available on our Moodle page - here's a small selection:

Plan your dissertation

For your dissertation, you'll need to plan and carry out multiple tasks, simultaneously and sequentially over an extended period of time - finding and reading material, drafting texts, talking with your supervisor, collecting and analysing data, formatting visual data... Discover some key project management techniques to help you plan your dissertation research, work out your schedule and keep your research on track.

What is a literature review?

We all know that the literature review is part of your dissertation, but what is it and how do you create one? Take a look at some key features of a dissertation literature review: the nature and the function of the text, and the process of reading and writing to review literature in order to write the text.

Structure your dissertation

There is no one correct way to put together the written presentation of your research. There are, however, conventions and principles that can help you present your work clearly to your reader. Here are some basics about the various sections you might have in your dissertation and what goes in them.

Working with your data

The research process is complex. Here is a three-part interactive exercise to get thinking about your data collection, data analysis, and the methods section where you'll present them in your dissertation. Or maybe you're looking for tips on doing primary research online. For a veritable treasure trove of research method know-how, check out **Sage Research Methods**.

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