



Welcome to The University of Edinburgh Medical Libraries



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Royal Infirmary Library opening times

Days	Library open	Library closes
Monday – Friday	9.00am	5.00pm

Computer suite with 24 hours RIE identity swipe card access
www.ed.ac.uk/is/rie-library

Western General Hospital Library opening times

Days	Library open	Library closes
Monday – Friday	9.00am	5.00pm

Medical Education Centre with 24 hours university swipe card access
www.ed.ac.uk/is/wgh-library

Main Library

Times vary according to semester and vacation dates.

For up to date information please check:

www.ed.ac.uk/is/main-library-opening

NHS Lothian Staff

NHS Lothian staff are entitled to register for a borrower's card and should bring work related identification such as an ID card, contract or payslip to the Library for registration.

Library notices are sent by email. NHS Lothian staff should ensure that the library has their current email address.

The NHS Knowledge Network

NHS staff and medical students can access electronic resources such as books, journals and databases at the Knowledge Network:

www.knowledge.scot.nhs.uk

Register online to obtain an Athens username and password for this resource.

Shelfmark Guide

The books are arranged according to the National Library of Medicine (NLM) classification

QC	Physics	WJ	Urogenital system
QD	Chemistry	WK	Endocrinology
QH	Biology	WL	Neurology
QS	Anatomy	WM	Psychiatry
QT	Physiology	WN	Radiology
QV	Pharmacology	WO	Surgery
QZ	Oncology/Pathology/Genetics	WP	Gynaecology
W	Medical profession	WQ	Obstetrics
WA	Public health	WR	Dermatology
WB	Practice of medicine	WS	Paediatrics
WC	Communicable diseases	WT	Geriatrics /Chronic disease
WD	Deficiency diseases	WU	Oral surgery & disease
WE	Orthopaedics	WV	Otorhinolaryngology
WF	Respiratory system	WW	Ophthalmology
WG	Cardiovascular system	WX	Hospitals/Critical Care
WH	Haematology	WY	Nursing
WI	Gastroenterology	WZ	History of medicine

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Finding resources

DiscoverEd allows you to find the location and availability of both print and electronic books and journals: <https://discovered.ed.ac.uk>

Links to DiscoverEd and other resources can be found at the Library homepage:

www.ed.ac.uk/is/library

e-books

The Library has over 1.4 million e-books. Find e-books using DiscoverEd or by browsing e-book collections. More information on available e-book collections:

www.ed.ac.uk/is/finding-resources

e-journals

The Library subscribes to over 185,000 e-journals. Browse or search for e-journals using DiscoverEd. You can also use DiscoverEd to find journal articles.

Databases

The Library subscribes to an extensive range of specialist databases.

An A-Z of databases is available: www.ed.ac.uk/is/databases-a-z

Guide to health related information resources: www.ed.ac.uk/is/medicine

Find databases for your subject here: www.ed.ac.uk/is/databases-subjects

All University resources are available to Edinburgh University staff and students using University login details.

Where can I study?

The Royal Infirmary library has study spaces on the first and second floors.

The computer suite on the second floor has both University networked PCs and NHS Net computers. Printing, photocopying and scanning facilities are available.

24 hour access to the computing suite is available for Edinburgh University medical students on placement at the hospital and for NHS Lothian staff on request.

The Western General Hospital library offers a number of study spaces with access to the University wireless network for personal laptop computers.

The Quiet Study Room has both University networked PCs and NHS Net computers. Printing, photocopying and scanning facilities are available in the Quiet Study Room.

24 hour access to the Medical Education Centre and the Quiet Study Room is available for Edinburgh University staff and students. NHS Lothian staff need to register for a borrower's card that will give them out of hours access to the Medical Education Centre. Please visit the IS Helpdesk for more information.

Wireless Network

Edinburgh University staff and students may connect to the wireless network by registering at www.ed.ac.uk/is/wireless from an open access computer. Edinburgh University alumni may also register for the wireless network, please ask at the Library Helpdesks and also see www.ed.ac.uk/alumni/services/portal for further help if you do not have University login details.

Help and advice

General enquiries

The IS Helpdesk in each library will help you with general enquiries

- Help with passwords
- Wi-Fi
- University card services
- Access to e-journals and resources
- Using DiscoverEd
- Photocopiers and printers
- Information on accessing the NHS knowledge network

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Training, literature searches and other health information queries

- Searching databases such as Medline and Cinahl to find journal articles on a health related topic
- Advice on finding and downloading health related apps
- Finding Health information online
- Keeping up to date
- Literature reviews/searches
- Systematic reviews
- Using bibliographic tools to manage references and create bibliographies
- Information on study skills resources
- NHS Knowledge Network
- Support for Continuing Professional Development (CPD) and Knowledge and Skills Framework (KSF)

Academic Support Librarian Contacts

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Subject guides are available at: www.ed.ac.uk/is/subject-guides

Printing, photocopying and scanning

Edinburgh University students and staff pay for printing and photocopying with their print credit account. You can credit your account using the Online Print Credit channel on MyEd at:

www.myed.ed.ac.uk

Print credit may also be added at the Library Helpdesks. NHS Lothian staff and visitors with a yellow library card can now photocopy, scan and print. Please visit the IS Helpdesk for more information.

Please see notices beside the photocopier/printer/scanner for information on adhering to the Copyright Act.

Finding and borrowing books and journals

Medical textbooks are available in the Royal Infirmary Library, the Western General Hospital Library and also in the Main Library. Edinburgh University Library provides access to a wide range of resources including books, e-books, e-journals, databases and theses.

DiscoverEd

DiscoverEd is the Library's search engine to help you search our collections including books, ebooks, journal titles, journal articles, databases and much more. Use University login details to sign into your Library account to save searches, manage loans, fines and make requests.

Use the DiscoverEd search box on the Library homepage: www.ed.ac.uk/is/library or go to the DiscoverEd homepage: <https://discovered.ed.ac.uk>

There is a free delivery service between the Medical libraries and other Edinburgh University Library sites, including the University Collections Facility. Use DiscoverEd to search for a required title, select a pickup location and submit the request. Standard and short loan books that are out on loan can also be requested via DiscoverEd.

Staff, Postgraduate Research students and NHS Lothian members may borrow 60 items, Postgraduate Taught students 50 items and Undergraduates 30 items. Alumni can borrow 15 items and external users 5 items. Only 3 Reserve books may be borrowed at any one time. Late returns incur a fine.

Reserve	Short Loan	Standard Loan*
3 hours	1 week	4 weeks

*Staff and Postgraduate standard loan is 12 weeks

Students and staff may recommend books at:

www.ed.ac.uk/is/book-recommendations

It can take a few weeks to purchase and make books available. If you require a book quickly you may prefer to submit an interlibrary loan request.

Interlibrary loans

If we do not stock the items that you need we can try to obtain them by interlibrary loan. Submit requests using the form for interlibrary loan requests available on DiscoverEd:

<https://discovered.ed.ac.uk/>

You will need to log into DiscoverEd with your University login details, before you can access the form.

Up to date information about interlibrary loans can be found at:

www.ed.ac.uk/is/inter-library