Training sessions and skills portals
Problems with literature searching, referencing, presenting or using software packages? Try signing up to skills sessions available across the University to help you!
I.T. Skills Sessions:  http://training.cam.ac.uk/ucs/event-timetable

Theses and print journals:
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http://www.spslibrary.hsps.cam.ac.uk/how-to-find/JournalForm
http://www.spslibrary.hsps.cam.ac.uk/how-to-find/ThesisFetching

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Virtual tour and video tutorials on our YouTube page:
http://www.youtube.com/user/TheSPSLibrary
Getting started:

Use the library websites!
The SPS Library website is a great place to start your research:
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SPS opening times:

Term-time opening hours:

Monday - Friday: 09:15 - 19:00 (20:00 during Easter term)
Saturday: 10:30 - 17:00 (closed for lunch 13.30 - 14.00)

Vacations:

Monday - Friday: 09:30 - 17:00 ; closed on Saturdays.

Please note, there is no admittance or borrowing during the last 15 minutes before closing.

To register, please bring your University card to the issue desk where we will activate your SPS Library account. Registrations can only be processed between 9.30am - 5.00pm, Monday - Friday, if you visit outside of these hours we may not be able to process your application.

Facilities:

Photocopier/printer/scanner: Use your common balance account, under DS-Print system.

Managed cluster computers (MCS) and catalogue search kiosks. Electronic legal deposit terminal.

Resources (including ebooks, ejournals, databases):

Most of Cambridge holdings are on iDiscover:

You can limit your search to SPS Library.

Ebooks can be found on iDiscover as well. Conditions of their access differ according to the platform. Ebooks LibGuide: http://libguides.cam.ac.uk/ebookscam

E-journals are catalogued on iDiscover as well and most direct access is via http://tf5lu9ym5n.search.serialssolutions.com/

Databases are accessed via eresouces portals managed by the University Library, e.g. “eresources LibGuide” http://libguides.cam.ac.uk/eresources

Specialised databases are available in Land Economy Department.

It is strongly recommended to register in other libraries and use their stock for your study needs. Location of books is displayed on iDiscover if searched under “All Libraries/Collections.”

Your Raven password will be indispensable for accessing resources as well as computers or printing.

Try some of the following databases for finding full-text articles and citations when using the eresources@cambridge portal, they are particularly useful in our subject areas:

Agcensus Online, Economic and Social Data Service (ESDS), Factiva, HathiTrust, Scopus, Hindawi, Publishing Open Access, Web of Knowledge, and Digimap.

Moodle

The Land Economy readings Moodle site provides electronic access to selected copyright-restricted articles and book chapters referenced on the readings lists (access to these materials are course-specific and will require your Raven password).

Borrowing allocations in SPS:

Tripos and MPhil Land Econ: 5 books for 7 days with 4 renewals at 4 days each. Please follow your email daily to be aware of possible recalls of the books you have on loan. Failure to return recalled items in time results in higher fines of 50p per book per day. Regular overdue fines are 25 p per working day/open shelf item.

Once an item becomes overdue it cannot be renewed (in current Voyager system, until January 2018). Online renewals are possible only while the library is open, which during Michaelmas working days will be 19:00. Higher fines apply to Overnight loans, please take care not to borrow these on self-service terminal.

About fines in SPS (amount will be changing from 30p to 25p etc.): https://www.spslibrary.hsps.cam.ac.uk/about-the-library/loan-periods#fines

Current library management system will be replaced with a new one (Alma) in January 2018.