Library and Learning Services – access to resources online

Given the circumstances of Covid-19, the library is unlikely to be open before September and even then access will be restricted/limited, so choosing ebooks rather than print, as much as possible, will help your students to remotely access the material that they need.

Checking ebook availability

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Digitisation service

• We can digitise chapters of books or journal articles, subject to copyright restrictions, so if you only need to recommend a particular chapter from a book, or article from a journal issue, please request via the digitisation option in your Resource List.

Importance of Resource Lists

- In the current circumstances, having a Resource List of recommended readings/viewings, is even more important. Students will be able to link seamlessly to any content that is available electronically and remotely.
- Please make sure that you create or update Resource Lists for your modules. Publishing your Resource List will also alert library staff to purchase material accordingly.
- <u>Help in creating Resource Lists</u> is available and your <u>subject librarian</u> will be more than happy to assist you in this area.