

# LIBRARY

# OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY

# Real Estate Management

## A guide to finding information

### 1. Books/e-books

If you are looking for a **particular book** and know the author or title, you can use the *Books & e-books* button on the library web page to see if it is held.

You may wish to find print books by browsing the shelves – here are some key shelfmarks:

Economics	330
Land economics	333
Property	333.332
Construction law	343.078624
Law of valuation	346.0437
Planning law	346.045
Facilities management	658.2
Building	690
Building surveys	692.55
Sustainable development	711.132 + 333.7
Urban planning	711.4
Mixed use development	711.55
Planning of housing	711.59

#### Shelfmarks are on the 3 floors as follows:

000 - 499	Level 2
500 - 719	Level 3
720 - 999	Level 4

### 2. Journals

Both print and electronic/online journals are listed by title via the *Journal titles* button the Library web page. (NB: look under the **journal title**, not the title of the **article** you need).

### 3. Journal articles

Journal articles can be accessed by either using *LibrarySearch* on the library web page or a specialist journal collection (see below). These can be accessed via the home page by clicking on the Find a database button and then selecting the database from the A-Z list.

[Academic Search Complete](#) – full text peer reviewed journal articles

[Business Source Complete](#) – full text peer reviewed journal articles

[DCP Online](#) (Development Control Practice - full text guidance on planning control in GB)

[Emerald](#) full text peer reviewed journal articles

[LexisLibrary \(law\)](#)

[Westlaw \(law\)](#)

If the article you require is not available in any of the library's collections then you may be able to obtain a copy via the library's [Inter-Library Loan service](#).

## WWW.BROOKES.AC.UK/LIBRARY

#### 4. Property information databases

**FOCUS (CoStar)** – information about individual properties, companies, area analyses, town reports, news (**contact your module leader for access**).

**EGi** – information about properties, town reports, news, legal cases/commentaries, glossary of terms, full text of the journal Estates Gazette (**contact your module leader for access**)

**isurv** – is a collection of publications provided by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) which contains the full text of the Blue Book and the Red Book as well as updates, and there are links to other key RICS documents.

**RICs Library Online Catalogue** – is an index of journal articles and papers for Real Estate Managers and Surveyors. Once an item of interest has been found, you will be able to check the Oxford Brookes library catalogue to see if we have it in stock. Members of RICS can use the library's electronic resources.

#### 5. Cost information, British Standards, Building Regulations, technical reports

**Building Cost Information Service (BCIS)** – is available online and we also have access to the Online Rates Database. Access is through the library Web Page and clicking the *Find a database* button.

**British Standards** – are available via the library home page and clicking the *Find a database* button.

**Construction Information Service (CIS)** – for technical reports (Architects Working Details, BRE, CIBSE, CIRIA, TRL etc) – available online by using the the Database tab. There is also the full text of a large number of e-books relating to the built environment available on the CIS. Access to this by clicking the *Find a database* button.

**Building Regulations** and books commenting on them are kept in the main book sequence at 692.9.

Building regulations are also available online via:

- The Construction Centre at [www.theconstructioncentre.co.uk](http://www.theconstructioncentre.co.uk)
- Planning Portal. <http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/>

#### 6. Newspapers

The library has available two collections of online newspapers:

**Factiva** (for international newspapers. Property Week and Financial Times).

**LexisLibrary** (UK national and regional newspapers).

These can be accessed via the library's home page and clicking the *Find a database* button.

#### 7. Dissertations

Brookes dissertations in Real Estate Management/International Real Estate are held in the Built Environment Resource Centre (AB 215) in the Abercrombie Building. Email: [berc@brookes.ac.uk](mailto:berc@brookes.ac.uk) Tel: 01865 483445

#### 9. Digimap

Ordnance Survey digital map data via the internet – the best way to obtain very large scale maps. On the library's home page click on *Find a database* and then select [Digimap](#).

**Your Academic Liaison Librarian (Geoff Morgan)** – is available to help you use the library's resources and find the information you need. Please contact him via email: [g.morgan@brookes.ac.uk](mailto:g.morgan@brookes.ac.uk) or phone: 01865 483137 or in person at his office on level 3 of the library JHB310. He also has a [subject help page](#) which you can access via the library's home page by clicking on *Subject Help* and then selecting *Real Estate Management* from the list.