# DISSERTATION RESEARCH - TOP TIPS FROM THE LIBRARY

## ALLOW TIME

Allow plenty of time - for searching, reading, thinking, planning, writing, reviewing and rewriting. Have a look at the assignment calculator created by the ASK team to help you plan your time.

Plan your time using the [assignment calculator](https://studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/study-guides/written-assignments/assignment-calculator) on the StudyHub

## DEVELOP YOUR RESEARCH SKILLS

Find out more about search techniques. Visit [Improve your search](https://studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/study-guides/research-finding-information/finding-information/improve-your-search) in the [Research and Finding Information](https://studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/study-guides/research-finding-information) pages on Studyhub to find out more about search strategies

Find out more about research methods. There are lots of resources in the library to help. Try searching on Library Search.

## THINK THROUGH YOUR QUESTION

Spend time establishing your starting question with some scoping research. Don't worry about the question changing as you read and progress your argument.

Find out how to [Get Started](https://studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/study-guides/research-finding-information/getting-started) with your research

## KEEP TRACK OF REFERENCES

Keep a record as you go! Choose a method and tools to help you. See the referencing study guide on StudyHub. Look at the StudyHub [Referencing guide](https://studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/study-guides/referencing) to find out all you need to know about referencing

GET TO KNOW YOUR LIBRARY

Explore all your library has to offer. Visit the library website at library.fxplus.ac.uk. Use library subject guides as a starting point to explore. Explore the [library](https://library.fxplus.ac.uk/) and all that it has to offer. Become familiar with how to navigate and access collections and systems.

A good place to start are the subject guides:

[Subject guides - Falmouth](https://library.fxplus.ac.uk/departments) [LibGuides - Exeter](https://libguides.exeter.ac.uk/?b=s)

ASK FOR HELP

Ask for help from the library team and the academic skills team (ASK). You can book an appointment for help and support via Study hub. DON'T PANIC!

Find out more on the Studyhub - [Meet the teams](https://studyhub.fxplus.ac.uk/lss)