The SFU Library is here to support you at every stage between:

(a) when you choose a research topic, and
(b) when you hand in (or publish) a completed report/paper/article.

Just assume there’s assistance available each time you run into a problem, then ask us if you can’t find the details.

Libraries are amazing places, but they are also complex and often confusing.

That’s unavoidable when you provide millions of resources to researchers in all subject areas...

but it tends to result in a flood of details in answer to the simple question:

“What resources and services does the SFU Library provide?”

It’s more productive to start with a broader understanding of the modern academic library...

START

refining my topic?

researching the literature related to my topic?

practicing my English-language skills?

navigating a complex database interface?

using research software to track/collate/analyse my results?

planning my research study methodology?

managing my time?

understanding the pros & cons of different types of publications for my new article?

getting motivated to write my thesis?

FINISH

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The SFU Library provides over 2 million books and access to over 500 online databases and 63,000 electronic journals, much of which is available 24/7 through the library’s website: www.lib.sfu.ca

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You can also schedule individual or group research consultations with Mark in the WAC Bennett Library.

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