

LIBRARY FINANCE DATABASE TRAINING SESSIONS

There are more than 20 finance databases available to retrieve data for the Applied Project. Many of these databases are also used in the financial sector so provide transferability skills for the workplace. Database training sessions and support materials will be available in the spring and summer terms to enhance your skills researching and producing your Applied Projects. This includes a range of online videos which are short 'Introductions to...' key databases and in-person database workshops which go into more depth to help you find high-quality financial information for your project quickly.

SPRING TERM:

1. Applied Project Databases: academic papers, business news and equity research

This workshop will provide you with an understanding of the information resources available to you for use in your project. It will focus on the need for an 'awareness of relevant literature' for your AP presentation. We will consider the best use of GenAI tools and will focus on three key areas of business information and how to gather these:

- Finding academic papers using EBSCO Business Source Ultimate
- Finding business and company news using Factiva
- Finding equity research in Mergent Online

Note: we will run 5 sessions in training computer room ACEX 555 in February. A sign-up form to book your place will be made available in advance.

SUMMER TERM:

2. Finance Databases: company and financial data

This workshop will provide you with an understanding of the resources for retrieving company and financial information for your project. It will include how to find share price and company financials. It will focus on:

- Finding company financials using FAME and Orbis Europe
- Finding share price data using S&P Capital IQ
- An introduction to the 'big three' financial databases; Bloomberg, WRDS and Global Financial Data
- Where to find ESG, M&A and Private equity data

In advance of the session please let us know what financial data you are interested in so we can cover this: <https://forms.microsoft.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=B3WJK4zudUWDC0-CZ8PTBxL1YPMSV39BgDhkwbUOjJ9UNKFISUZOUFRZSVJHRzIERVdPWDhDMVVUUi4u>

Note: we will run 5 sessions in May, dates and venue TBC. A sign-up form to book your place will be made available in advance. A sign-up form to book your place will be made available in advance.

3. Introduction to Key Database Videos...

Below are short quick introductory videos on some key databases.

Finding news and searching Factiva

<https://imperial.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=103bdfef1-f504-4bbf-bb5d-af8000a5b327>

Finding academic journal articles in Google Scholar and EBSCO

<https://imperial.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=14c4672c-e6b4-434c-b1b1-af8000a64b55>

Finding equity research and searching Mergent Online

<https://imperial.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=1c7e0a93-daf7-47fb-a992-af8000a5e7a9>

Finding company and industry info in Capital IQ

<https://imperial.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=c39ed95c-de23-4b40-a822-af8000a57f90>

Finding company and financial data using the WRDS interface

<https://imperial.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=35242979-b5e5-4f5c-a866-af8000a53ef4>

Introduction to the Bloomberg terminal

<https://imperial.cloud.panopto.eu/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=fa3edb4f-3da1-4102-85b1-af8000a618eb>

4. Harvard referencing and plagiarism refresher online drop-ins

We will run two online Zoom Harvard Referencing and plagiarism refreshers which are an opportunity to ask questions. In addition, you can email libbpd@imperial.ac.uk with any questions or drop-in to the Business Librarians' office 9.30-16.30 weekdays in the Central Library, South Kensington Campus. We recommend you watch the short '[Strategies to avoid Plagiarism](#)' video which contains examples of previous business students' common plagiarism mistakes.

5. RefWorks reference Management software

Information on how to use reference management software, such as RefWorks is available on the Library website: <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/admin-services/library/learning-support/reference-management/> including a video on how to use RefWorks. You can also find information on the Harvard referencing style here too <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/admin-services/library/learning-support/reference-management/harvard-style/>