Resources for Midwifery

Contact details for further help are at the end of this guide.

The resources in this guide will help you learn more about your subject. The best place to start your search is Discover, which provides you with easy access to thousands of books, eBooks, journal articles and much more. You can access Discover and other key resources via the Electronic Library at: www.ljmu.ac.uk/library/e-library

Remember, your modules also have reading lists in Canvas with links to recommended books, e-books, journal articles and other subject resources.

Books and eBooks

There is an extensive collection of books and eBooks on all aspects of Midwifery. You can browse what is available in your subject area or look for specific titles by searching **Discover**.

- Go to **Discover**, if prompted, **Sign in** with your **LJMU username@ljmu.ac.uk** and **password**
- Type a book title or keywords and select the search icon.
- From the results screen, you can filter your results by selecting **Books.**
- Select a book title to see more details and availability.
- eBooks will have links to view online.
- Print books will show number of copies and location.

Print books have a class number and are organised numerically by that number on the shelves. Common class numbers are shown below:

Anatomy & Physiology	612
Midwifery	610.73678
Gynaecology	618
National Health Service	362.1
Health promotion	613.07
Neonatal care	610.73678
Interpersonal Skills	610.730699

Nursing management	362.173068
	610.73068
Interprofessional Working	610.696
Obstetrics	618.2
Law relating to Midwifery	344.0415
Public Health	362.1
	614
Medical ethics	174.2
Research techniques	610.73072
	618.20072
Mentoring nurses & midwives	610.7307
Social Care	361.30168

Journals

Journals are published on a regular basis and contain up-to-date information. Journals contain articles focussing on specific topics written by subject specialists.

To find individual journal titles on your subject area:

- Go to **Discover**, if prompted, **Sign in** with your **LJMU username@ljmu.ac.uk** and **password**
- Select the **Journals** option
- Type a journal title you wish to access and select the search icon.
- Select a journal title to see more details and availability.
- eJournals will have links to view online.
- Print journals will show number of issues and location.

Databases

You can search for journal articles using **Discover** or via individual databases. There are different types of databases. For example:

- **Full-text databases** provide access to full-text information such as journal articles, reports, book chapters, newspaper articles …
- **Abstracting and Indexing Databases** are searchable indexes, you can view the abstract or summary for each resource. If full-text is available follow the link, if not you can request an **Inter-library loan** at: https://www.ljmu.ac.uk/microsites/library/resources/access-to-other-libraries/inter-library-loan-service

To access a database:

- Go to **Discover**, if prompted, **Sign in** with your **LJMU username@ljmu.ac.uk** and **password**
- Select the **Databases** option.
- Select **Nursing** to see suggested databases or type the name of the database in the search box and select the **search icon.**
- Select the database title to see more details and note any log-in requirements.
- Select the database link.

Academic Full-text Databases

The databases below are listed in alphabetical order.

BMJ Journals

Provides more than 3 million articles published in over 60 peer reviewed journals including *Archives of Disease in Childhood* and *Family Medicine and Community Health*.

CINAHL Plus with Full Text

Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature – provides access to articles from a wide range of nursing and allied health journals.

Cochrane Library

Comprises several databases, including the *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews*, which contain high quality, independent evidence to inform healthcare decision-making. Each systematic review identifies an intervention for a specific disease or other problem in healthcare and determines whether a particular intervention is likely to be effective.

Community Care Inform: Adults

Provides quick and in-depth guides, knowledge and practice hubs, and guides to legislation, case law and research reviews on all aspects of the care in the community. Topics covered include dementia, domestic abuse, mental capacity and safeguarding.

Community Care Inform: Children

Provides quick and in-depth guides, knowledge and practice hubs, and guides to legislation, case law and research reviews on all aspects of the care of children in the community. Topics covered include attachment, child sexual exploitation, looked-after children, and neglect.

DermaCompass

DermaCompass is a dermatology database dating back to 2014. It is an assistance system and textbook with a supporting role in daily clinical activity. It is a quick guide on differential diagnosis, clarifications, and therapy. It can perform complex search queries, give drug instructions, dosages, and controls, and provides high resolution pictures for making differential diagnosis.

Internurse

A collection of over 9,000 articles from 20 British nursing journals *including British Journal of Nursing, British Journal of Community Nursing, Journal of Health Visiting, Journal of Wound Care Journal of Children's and Young People's Nursing and Journal of Health Visiting.*

Maternity and Infant Care database

Contains over 120,000 references to articles from more than 550 English-language journals, books and reports relating to midwifery, pregnancy, labour, birth, postnatal and neonatal care and the first month of an infant's care.

Medline

An index to articles from a wide range of journals covering the life sciences, health, and biomedicine.

ProQuest Central

Provides access to databases across all major subject areas and includes thousands of full-text scholarly journals, trade and professional titles, newspapers, magazines, dissertations, working papers, case studies, and market reports.

PubMed

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/
A free search engine accessing primarily the Medline database of references and abstracts on life sciences and biomedical topics.

PubMed Central

A free archive of the US National Library of Medicine, which offers over six million full-text articles, dating back to the 1700s.

Royal College of Nursing (RCNi) Journals

Articles from *Nursing Standard* and other RCN journals. Not all content is available to LJMU.

Sage Journals

A large collection of academic journals covering a wide range of disciplines including health sciences, social sciences, and the humanities.

ScienceDirect

A world-leading scientific database that contains the full-text of over 14 million peer-reviewed publications e.g., journal articles, reviews, and book chapters.

Scopus

The world's largest abstract and citation database of peer-reviewed literature: scientific journal articles, books, and conference proceedings. Aiming to deliver a comprehensive overview of the world's research output in the fields of science, technology, medicine, social sciences, and arts and humanities, Scopus features smart tools to track, analyse and visualize research.

Social Care Online

The UK's largest online database of information on all aspects of social work and social care. It includes legislation, government documents, practice and guidance, systematic reviews, research briefings, UK grey literature, reports, and journal articles from the 1980s onwards. Register individually for free for full access.

Taylor & Francis

A large collection of peer-reviewed academic journals covering a wide range of disciplines including behavioural sciences, allied health and health and social care.

Web of Science

A comprehensive database providing details of academic journals, conference proceedings and books in the sciences, social sciences, arts, and humanities from 1970 onwards. In addition to searches by topic or author, it provides a citation search facility, which those wishing to follow the development of new ideas and theories can find extremely useful.

Wiley Online Library

Provides access to over 4 million articles from 1,500 journals on subjects including life sciences, psychology, and social and behavioural sciences.

Legal databases provide access to cases, legislation, law reports, journals, guidance, and newspapers. The databases below are listed in preference order.

Lexis + Library

Provides access to a wide range of UK law reports (from 1865 onwards) and law reports from other countries including the EU.
All UK Acts and Statutory Instruments currently in force - a wide range of full-text journal articles and journal article abstracts.
UK newspapers.

Westlaw UK

Provides access to a wide range of UK law reports (from 1865 onwards) and law reports from other countries including the EU.
All UK Acts and Statutory Instruments currently in force.
A wide range of full-text journal articles and journal article abstract.

Recordings of TV and radio programmes provides access to audio and visual recordings.

Box of Broadcasts (BoB)

An archive of over one million TV & radio programmes from 2007 onwards, including all the main UK free-to-air TV channels

MATFLIX

A brand-new online video resource for midwives, student midwives & healthcare professionals, it has curated video boxsets covering the key issues facing maternity & midwifery professionals today.

Drug Information
Medicines Complete

Provides online access to several professional reference works including *British National Formulary* (BNF), *BNF for Children* and *Martindale: The Complete drug reference.*

Websites

The content of websites is unregulated. Therefore, it is important that you check the quality and accuracy of information on the internet to ensure that it is reliable, accurate and of an academic standard. There are selected websites or search engines that you can use to help find appropriate information online, for example Google Scholar. If you find details for a relevant resource on the internet, you can check if LJMU has full-text access.

Further Help

The Academic Engagement Librarian for Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine is:

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Please contact her to arrange a one-to-one appointment.

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