

Guide to Newspapers Researcher Guide

Bournemouth University Library provides an extensive collection of print and online resources on many subjects in two locations: The Sir Michael Cobham Library at Talbot Campus and the Bournemouth House Library (BH) on the Lansdowne Campus

Searching for Information:

To start your search, use the myBU Library tab at <http://mybu.bournemouth.ac.uk/>. Here you can:

- access your reading lists within your unit on myBU;
- use mySearch the Library resources search engine, to search across all of our electronic resources and the Library Catalogue;
- or search individual resources and find out about any passwords required;
- use the online Reference Works webpages for definitions and background information;
- access the Academic Skills Community.

Subject Advice Services:

We offer help and advice on information resources for assignments, dissertations or research. You can drop into the Library, make an appointment with your Subject Librarian, or use our online services.

- Ask for help at the Subject Advice Desk.
- Online, use the Chat Enquiry Service for a one-to-one discussion with our Library staff.
- Phone our dedicated help line +44 (0) 1202 965959.
- Send your enquiry to askBU, the virtual enquiry service, accessible via the myBU Library tab or the Library webpages. If you require further help we will reply by e-mail.
- Follow our blogs: Library and Learning Support News, Research Support, Subject Librarians' Blogs. All available via the myBU Library tab.
- E-mail your Subject to make an appointment.

Introduction

If you are considering using newspapers as a source for your research you are strongly advised to check that you can obtain access to source material before committing yourself to a particular newspaper title. This guide gives a detailed description of Bournemouth University holdings.

In addition to deciding which newspapers you will use you are advised to consider also the following points:

- Do you just require text? - electronic text is available from [Factiva](#) and [Lexis Library](#) for a range of UK broadsheets, tabloids and regional newspapers, and some foreign newspapers. Electronic newspaper databases have number of advantages:
 - you can search for topics simultaneously over a number of papers or just one;
 - you can search across a date range appropriate to your research;
 - you can save text and import it into a word processor or textual analysis software to assist with your analysis.
- Do you require a facsimile? - that is the text in its original layout. For recent material you can access [Press Display](#) In the case of older material it may mean locating print or microfilmed copies of newspapers. (See Section 3 below).

Newspaper Databases – Full Text

Newspaper databases provide access to the electronic text of the printed version of the newspaper, not to the online version where it exists, for example The Guardian not the The Guardian Online. Factiva and Lexis Library have reasonable archives. These vary according to individual titles but they generally start from 1995. Note also that the databases do not include the entire newspaper. Common exceptions are pictures, advertisements, very short articles or, and for reasons of copyright, some feature articles.

Factiva	via myBU Library tab
Lexis Library	via myBU Library tab

For foreign newspapers [Factiva](#) includes sources from more than 159 countries in 22 languages.

Newspapers – Facsimile

Online

[Press Display](#) provides access to the last 90 days issues of 900 UK (national and regional) and international newspapers. It does not include The Times, The Financial Times or the Sun.

[The Times Digital Archive](#) provides access to the full facsimile including photographs, advertisements and page layouts of The Times newspaper from 1785 – 1985. It is fully searchable and available on and off campus using an ATHENS User Name and Password.

[Nineteenth Century British Library Newspapers](#) contains full runs of influential national and regional newspapers.

Microfilm

A number of newspapers are also provided on Microfilm. It is possible to read these and to make copies of individual articles using the MicroFilm / Fiche Reader Printers on the Ground Floor of the Library. Note that the quality of these films and printing from them can sometimes be poor. If you have no experience of using Reader Printers you are advised to speak to a member of Library Staff on the Information Desk.

The following newspapers are available on microfilm located either in cabinets on the Ground Floor of the Sir Michael Cobham Library or in the Library Store. If the microfilm is in the Store a store request form, available from the Information Desk, will need to be filled in.

Continuing microfilm runs:	
The Financial Times 1955 -	Talbot Campus, Ground floor
The Guardian 1992-	Talbot Campus, Ground floor
The Times 1979 -	Talbot Campus, Ground floor

Closed microfilm runs:	
Sunday Times 1979 - 2008	Talbot Campus, Ground floor
The Independent 1986 - 2000	Library Store
Sunday Telegraph 1988 - 2000;	Library Store
The Daily Telegraph 1979 - 2000.	Library Store
Sunday and Daily Mirror 1992 - 98	CD-ROM.

Bournemouth Public Library has an archive of the Daily Echo in the Local Studies Collection

Daily Echo, Bournemouth Public Library, Local Studies Collection	1901 -
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Print

The Library only retains printed copies of broadsheet newspapers for 3 months from the current date. Tabloid newspapers are held for various lengths of time depending on the availability of electronic text.

Daily Echo	previous 6 months.
Daily Express	3 years in the Library Store.
Daily Mail	3 years in the Library Store.
Daily Mirror	3 years in the Library Store 1992-1998 available on CD-ROM [includes Sunday Mirror].
Daily Star	3 years in the Library Store.
The Sun	10 years in the Library Store.

If the newspaper is in the Store a store request form, available from the Information Desk, will need to be filled in.. Please be aware that over time a number of copies have gone missing or are damaged. Allow at least three days for copies to be brought up from the store.

British Library – Newspaper Library - Colindale

The British Library - Newspaper Library holds all national and regional newspapers either as print or on microfilm. For more information on their holdings consult their website's [Newspaper Collections Help for Researchers](#). If you use the resources of the British Library - Newspaper Library you will have to meet the costs of travel to Colindale [London] and of copying. You need to budget for in the cost of your research.

For information on the British Library, Newspaper Library Reading Room, and how to obtain a ticket look here–
<http://www.bl.uk/reshelp/inrooms/blnewspapers/newsrr.html>

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