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Library Blueprint Series: Research Services

BSL Library

The Brotherhood of St. Laurence respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land and waterways on which our organisation operates. We pay our respects to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and emerging.

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Research Services

Overview

The BSL Social Policy Library offers support to all BSL staff.

The Library specialises in sourcing, capturing and managing information and knowledge.

Library staff are information experts with access to relevant and authoritative information and resources. Our information seeking strategies enable us to locate relevant, authoritative information quickly and efficiently using information resources which are not available to the general public.

We offer a range of research services to BSL staff to assist you in your information journey and discovery.

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Literature reviews

A literature review, broadly, is an analysis of the scholarly works (the literature) that are relevant to your research topic. The review may be the basis of research proposal, thesis, dissertation or a journal article. It aims to provide the context for your research.

A literature review aims to:

- position your research within the context of other scholarly work that has been published
- discover knowledge that has been reached in your research area
- identify any gaps in the existing knowledge
- indicate where your research fits in relation to any gap and consequently why your research is original and significant.

Further to a literature review, other types of research include:

- citation check
- annotated subject bibliography
- annotated author bibliography.

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Reference management

The BSL Library uses EndNote as its reference management tool. Assistance in using EndNote is available.

Assistance for staff using other reference management tools can be negotiated with Library staff.

See also:

- [EndNote Training](#) (YouTube)
- EndNote [self-guided learning](#)
- EndNote [Guides](#)
- EndNote [recorded webinars](#).

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Training

The BSL Social Policy Library provides training.

This includes:

- catalogue searching
- Google searching
- Google Scholar
- General online searching and resources
- Using Library resources.

See [contact](#) details below.

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Resources

The BSL Social Policy Library has various resources available to assist you in your research journey.

These are accessible via the Library [intranet](#) page and include:

- Library [catalogue](#)
- BSL [Archives](#)
- BSL [Timeline](#): BSL history covering the following areas:
 - BSL [Organisation](#)
 - BSL [People](#)
 - BSL [Places](#)
 - BSL [Presentations & Publications](#)
 - BSL [Service areas](#)
 - BSL [Through the decades](#)
- 2023 catalogued items [List](#)
- Curated subject [Lists](#)
- BSL 90th birthday [timeline](#)
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Help

For further assistance, please contact the BSL Library:

- library@bsl.org.au
- Level 1, 67 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy.

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