

Access Guide to the Albert Sloman Library

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Location of the Library

The library is located on Square 5 (the nearest building to the lake. It is divided into 6 floors and the key facilities on each are as follows:

Floor	Room/no	Access info
Ground	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Circulation desk▪ Short loan collection▪ Reading room▪ Book drop box▪ Interlibrary loan collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ All floors are located in one building and have level access throughout▪ Information on accessible toilets is given separately in the table below
First	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Enquiry desk▪ Current periodicals desk▪ Reference section	
Floors 2-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Subject categories (see Library web pages: http://libwww.essex.ac.uk/)	

Access to the library from the main squares

FROM SQUARE 4

- **On foot and by chair:** go straight through the main squares in the direction of the lakes, past the University bookshop and gallery (left), and Ivor Crewe lecture hall (right). The library is immediately beyond on the left-hand side.
- There is an automatic door entry point, in advance of the main revolving doors (although you may need to use the buzzer to alert security inside).

Access within the library

- There is level access on all floors and lift access between them
- There is a low-level access point at the circulation desk immediately on entry.
- Access to the upper floors is via lift or stairs (NOTE: the library has an ordinary passenger lift and an open-fronted, continual motion 'paternoster' lift. If you have mobility restrictions you are strongly advised to use the former).

Accessible Toilet Facilities

Floor	Location	Access information
Ground floor	Located immediately before the reading room	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Small accessible unisex toilet (1470x1960)- Right-handed transfer- Toilet height 450 mm- Wash basin close to the toilet- Drop down rail, and grab rail on wall side- Effective door width 900 mm

Location of nearest accessible parking

Disabled drivers (students, staff and visitors) coming to the school should visit the university guidance on [accessible parking](#)