Searching the library catalogue
Study Guide

Visit the TAFE SA Library website at https://tafesa.spydus.com

All TAFE SA students receive automatic library membership which gives you access to a range of online resources as well as access to physical resources and services at all TAFE SA campuses.

Use the search box to search for keywords or titles across all available resources. You can use Advanced Search for a more exact search, if you wish to search only resources available at a specific campus, or if you would like to search by ISBN.

The drop-down menu enables you to search specifically for E-books, Streaming Videos, Magazines or E-journals.

After viewing your search results, you can refine your results further using a range of filters.

You may wish to show only resources in a particular format, only resources published recently, or only resources that are not already on loan.

You may also wish to sort your search results alphabetically or show the newest items first.
Click **View Availability** to see where your resource is.

A physical resource will display where the item is shelved and its current status (ie. whether it is available, on loan etc.)

An e-book, streaming video, website or document will provide you with a direct link for immediate access.

Reservations

To place a reservation, or to request a physical resource be sent to another campus for you to collect, click **Place reservation** in the **Find it!** box.

1. Login using your Borrower ID and library PIN.
2. Select the location you would like to collect the item from.
3. Click Continue.

You will be notified by email and SMS when your item is available at your chosen campus.

Database access

TAFE SA Libraries also subscribe to **online databases** of searchable articles from newspapers, magazines and journals. Our databases may also include digital resources such as images, e-books, videos, tutorials, and reference material.

1. From the **Online resources** menu on the library home page, select **Databases**.
2. Login using your Borrower ID and library PIN.
3. Take note of any additional passwords required if you are off campus.
4. Link directly to your chosen database.

Visit [tafesa.libguides.com/guides](https://tafesa.libguides.com/guides) for detailed guides on each database platform.

Need help? Library staff are available to assist! Email: librarian@tafesa.edu.au