3 Years of the Arden University Library Portal

Our amazing digital Library Portal is turning 3!

As we get ready for the Library Portal's upcoming transformation and the launch of the new **Learning Success Hub**, look back with us over how the Library Portal has grown!

3 years of growth and development

In January 2023 our new-look EBSCO main catalogue went live with a host of brilliant research tools.

2023 also saw the launch of our **Request an eBook** service in June. To date we've had nearly **300** requests!

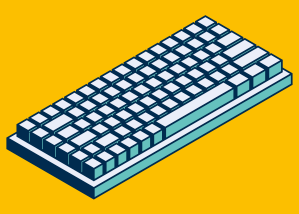
Our page views in 2023 **more than doubled** from the previous year.

On average the Library Portal receives over **1100** visits per day!

The number of weekly users of our EBSCO catalogue increased by **more than 10 times** from 2020-2023.

Over the last 12 months the Library Portal has had **403, 930+** visits...

...and our catalogue has had **186, 660+** individual sessions with **884, 120+** searches run!



Our Academic Skills and English Language Hub pages have also had plenty of hits! Over the last 12 months we've seen **82, 710+** visitors to the Academic Skills homepage, with **22, 274+** visits to the workshop bookings page, and the English Language Hub homepage has had **18, 861+** visitors!

So far in this academic year, **3700+** students have attended a 1:1 appointment with an Academic Skills Tutor...

...compared to **2,462** 1:1 appointments in 2021/2022!

The number of attendees for Academic Skills optional workshops went up from **4,480** in 2021/2022 to **6,243** in 2022/2023!

In the last academic year, **495** students booked 1:1 appointments with an Academic English Lecturer and since November 2023, **1187** students have booked on to an Academic English workshop.

A new eBook platform

In May this year we launched our brilliant new eBook platform, **Kortext**, with a collection of nearly **13,000** eBooks plus the Kortext Open Resources collection!

While our most popular title is Stella Cottrell's **The Study Skills Handbook**, our users have read **over a million pages** since Kortext was launched - let's see what our students and staff have been searching the platform for recently!

We can't wait to see what the next three years with the new Learning Success Hub will bring!