

# MEMORANDUM

## York University Libraries

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**Subject:** Library Statement of Support – Ethics and Capitalism

### Summary

York University Libraries are well positioned to support the proposed course. Faculty and students can make use of an array of library resources and services to meet their research and learning needs. This statement highlights offerings related to the major themes of the course. It also brings attention to collections of interest from connected fields such as business, political science, and philosophy.

### Collections

The Libraries' collections echo the curricular and research priorities of students and faculty. Care is given to select materials that reflect new courses taught at York, as well as research and publishing trends. For instance, library personnel review reading lists supplied for proposed courses to address any potential gaps. As well, tailored purchasing profiles ensure new materials are regularly purchased on subjects such as political science, ethics, philosophy, and business.

With the new online discovery system (OMNI), researchers have access to a wide range of resources (articles and books) through a single interface. Users also have the option to browse specific online platforms directly. A selection of electronic collections of particular interest are highlighted below.

#### eBook Platforms:

- De Gruyter eBooks
- Elgar Online
- Oxford Scholarship Online
- Cambridge Core
- Taylor & Francis eBooks
- ProQuest eBook Central
- Scholars Portal Books

#### Subject Databases:

- Social Science Abstracts (multidisciplinary)
- Worldwide Political Science Abstracts
- Philosophers Index
- ABI Inform (business)
- Sociological Abstracts
- Women's Studies International

#### Reference Resources:

- Britannica Online

- Universalis
- Oxford Bibliographies Online
- Oxford Reference Online

## Services

### Library Instruction

Librarians and archivists help students build research skills and digital fluencies through workshops, online research guides, and individual research assistance. Instructors can arrange a research skills workshop (or seminar) geared to a specific assignment, course or competency. In addition, the library can prepare course specific guides at the request of the instructor.

Research Guides:

- <https://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/socialscience> (Social Sciences)
- <https://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/polisci> (Political Science)
- <https://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/philosophy> (Philosophy)
- <https://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/business> (General Business)
- <https://researchguides.library.yorku.ca/businessethics> (Business Ethics)

Library Class Request Form:

- <https://www.library.yorku.ca/web/ask-services/facultyinstructor-support/book-a-library-class/>

Library Workshops:

- <https://www.library.yorku.ca/web/research-learn/instructional-workshops/>

### Research Help

Online research assistance is available in both French and English via chat, text, and email. In addition, students and faculty can book one-hour research consultations with a specialist librarian or use the virtual drop-in service.

Research Appointments:

- <https://yorku.libcal.com/appointments/scott>
- <https://yorku.libcal.com/appointments/frost>

Ask Us Services (Bilingual French/ English):

- <https://www.library.yorku.ca/web/ask-services/>

### Accessibility Services

Located on the first floor of the Scott Library (Keele Campus), Library Accessibility Services (LAS) provides alternative content formats, as well as adaptive technologies and spaces. With a referral, York University faculty and students can request transcription services or reserve an accessibility lab workstation.

Library Accessibility Services:

- <https://www.library.yorku.ca/web/ask-services/accessibility-services/>