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## **My Week**

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### **Monday**

This morning I attend a meeting for a new project that the Academic Services Team is working on. We are planning to teach information skills 'virtually'. The team is designing a course our VLE to enable students to develop Web 2.0 information skills.

### **Tuesday**

Today I am teaching a literature searching session to 3<sup>rd</sup> year Midwifery students who will be undertaking research for their dissertations. This involves a lecture and a hands-on session in our dedicated IT suite. After lunch, I have several one-to-one sessions with Nursing and Occupational Therapy students who require more in-depth help in locating journal articles for their course work.

### **Wednesday**

This morning I attend the weekly training session for staff who work on the Student Enquiry Desk. Today we are at Avenue Campus looking at the RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) samples library. An excellent way to select your new kitchen tiles!

### **Thursday**

I am starting to write an article for our in-house publication called Bibliotech. The article is about the apparent 'Google generation' and their understanding, use of and experiences of information in all its guises. After lunch, it's my turn on the Enquiry Desk, this is always interesting as you never know who or what you might encounter. I also check through my Virtual Librarian (email) enquiries.

### **Friday**

As the Academic Librarian for Health, I attend all Board of Study meetings and represent Information Services; this morning I attend the Podiatry meeting at the Podiatry Clinic at the local hospital. There is much debate regarding book budgets and what they should spend their money on. The afternoon is spent going through book requests and ordering items.

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