



# Introducing the Library's Virtual Study Sessions

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*In April 2021, the Library initiated Virtual Study Sessions (VSS) via Zoom. The main aim was to build community and offer support to students who couldn't physically visit our building and wanted some Library "vibes".*

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## How do they work?



### The Library Lounge: Virtual Study Session is in progress

Please contact staff via the Zoom chat button  
Our Study Skills team have really useful guidance on revision at <https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/strathdy@onlinelearning/studyskills/>

*1 - Slide used during a Virtual Study Session.*

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*Two, 2-hour sessions are held per week. Each session starts with a brief introduction from the Library staff member, and attendees are asked to outline what they hope to achieve during the VSS. A mid-point break and informal chat takes place to break up the study period. Library staff are available via the Zoom chat function to help with Library questions arising during the session.*

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## Who has attended?



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*Total of 645 booked to attend. Between April 2021 - March 2022. Total of 87 sessions.*

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What do our attendees say?



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*"I found I lost a lot of motivation to work on my dissertation after classes/lectures ended. I think the virtual study group is a good way to help structure my studying again and boost motivation."*

*"It is an amazing experience. It is really nice to communicate with other students and share our feelings and difficulties. The most beneficial part was that I could ask the staff immediately during my work. This support really helped me today."*

*"I think the session is very helpful as it's not 100% formal and we are encouraged to ask any questions and get the support needed straight away."*

*"The session is pretty good. It recreates the library feeling at home and brings a sense of community."*

*"Good. I feel motivated studying on zoom with other people together."*

*"It really improved my efficiency, hope there could be more sessions!"*

*"Thank you, I found it helpful to know that others were also working at the same time, which helped keep me motivated. It would be nice to have a morning session too."*

*"This is just nice, I mean, get used to working virtually and also know people from other research groups."*

*"I like the format which allows to share goals at the start of the session and report on them at the end. It really helps as I've been having issues holding myself accountable recently."*

*"Thank you for your help with finding sources for my essay. It's great to have support from others."*

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Want to join a Virtual Study Session?



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Sign up via DAT: <https://bookings.strath.ac.uk/Home/Course/5713>

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Want to promote these sessions to your students?

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Library staff would be happy to help create a personalised advert for these sessions for you to share with your students, contact us [help@strath.ac.uk](mailto:help@strath.ac.uk)

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