Cognitive Science
New Graduate Student Checklist

http://ucsd.libguides.com/cogsci

See the link above for more information on completing the tasks below.

Week One:

☐ Bookmark the library homepage - http://library.ucsd.edu

☐ Set up your off-campus access (VPN) for the Library’s licensed online resources, including the databases, ebooks, and journals.

☐ Create a PIN to access your Library catalog account online to check due dates, recall and renew books.

☐ Create a BrowZine account to keep up with current research. Receive alerts, monitor tables of contents, and read articles in relevant scholarly journals on your mobile device or web browser - http://ucsd.libguides.com/browzine.

☐ Create an account for a citation management software. Manage the citations for the books and articles you find and develop good strategies for storing, organizing, and naming your files. Check out the citation management software tab in the research guide linked above.

☐ Connect Google Scholar to the Library's full text, licensed content. You don't have to pay for articles!

Week Two and Beyond:

The following are tasks you may complete during your tenure here at UC San Diego.

☐ Use the Library catalog (Roger) and the other catalogs to find books/ebooks relevant to your research, as well as reference works like handbooks and encyclopedias to find background information for new topics.

☐ Request materials from the Annex or through Interlibrary Loan if they are unavailable, whether checked out or not owned by the Library.

☐ Select the appropriate databases that index journals, conference proceedings, dissertations and other resources for your discipline.

☐ Locate additional library resources that support your development as a scientist and researcher: communicating (written/oral) and presenting your research, grant writing, teaching, citation and impact metrics, data storage and management, authors’ rights (including open access), and more.