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Vienna University Library (VUL) – Your Research Partner

Welcome Days for PhD candidates, Winter Term 2024 (Karin Lach, VUL)



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Brief personal introduction



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First steps

- Remember your u:account - <https://zid.univie.ac.at/en/uaccount/>, which you need to fully use library services - **Students with a u:card already have a valid library card**
- Get to know your local library infrastructure: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/> & <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/bibliotheken.html> (list of special libraries; including your specialist librarian at your local library)
- Check information for first-year students, which contains relevant information: https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/information_fur_studienanfangerinnen.html
- Check the necessity for seat/group room reservation in some libraries: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/platzreservierung.html>
- Take part in a library workshop or library tour: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/schulungsangebot/en/> & <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/schulungsangebot/en/schulung-doktorandinnen.html>
- Check whether a library you are interested in has a virtual tour https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/virtueller_rundgang.html



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- You can switch to the English website pages from the German one
- Information on:
 - **Research tools** – information on and links to search engine u:search and other research tools; how to access e-resources
 - **Services** – e.g. lending services, library card, ...
 - **Libraries** – Main Library & Special Libraries
 - University Archive
 - Basic information ("**About Us**")
- Link to **u:search** – the library search engine

The library website: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/> (English) <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/> (German – news)

Libraries

- Main Library: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/hauptbibliothek/en/>
 - central lending library; all subjects covered; various collections and reading rooms
 - currently undergoing a renovation process to be concluded in spring/summer 2027
 - Specialized support near departments and faculties via "Special Libraries":
<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/bibliotheken.html>
 - Find out about who your librarian is
 - Find out about recommendations concerning resources (e.g. databases, e-journals)
 - Find out about library infrastructure and local support (e.g. workshops)
 - Find out about local regulations
 - All libraries follow the basic rules governing library-patron relations (Benützungssordnung German: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/files/benuetzungssordnung.pdf>)
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Aktuelles aus der Universitätsbibliothek

Weitere News & Events...



02.10.: UB Wien bei den Welcome Weeks 2024

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Information für Studienanfänger*innen

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Virtueller Rundgang

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u:search

Suchen Sie in Print- und elektronischen Publikationen (Bücher, Zeitschriften und Artikel) im Bestand der UB Wien:

Suchen

Wartungsarbeiten



u:search

Search the print and electronic holdings of the library:

Search

Maintenance Works

Seat reservations

Book a ticket

Contact us

Vienna University Library
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helpdesk.ub@univie.ac.at

- Aktuelles = News: prominently placed in German version, not in English version
- Information for new students
- Information about Main Library renovation also available from the English version → <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/umbau/en/>



- Link to **u:search** – the library search engine:
 - find physical and electronic resources provided by the library
- The main library requires **reservations for seats** in reading rooms and learning zones.
- Contact to the library helpdesk: your queries will be answered or forwarded to the right person or team

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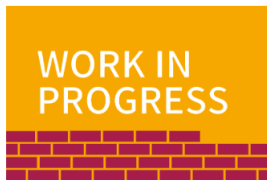


The Main Library

Renovation of the Main Library



Project Information



News & Blog



Frequently Asked Questions



Alternative Study Areas



Digital Library



Events & Guided Tours

<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/umbau/en/>

- Last renovated in the 1960s – will become a modern library with more learning spaces, better accessibility and improved infrastructure -with the beauty of a historical reading room retained
- Physical holdings to be transferred to a book depot in Floridsdorf

Timeline Winter Semester

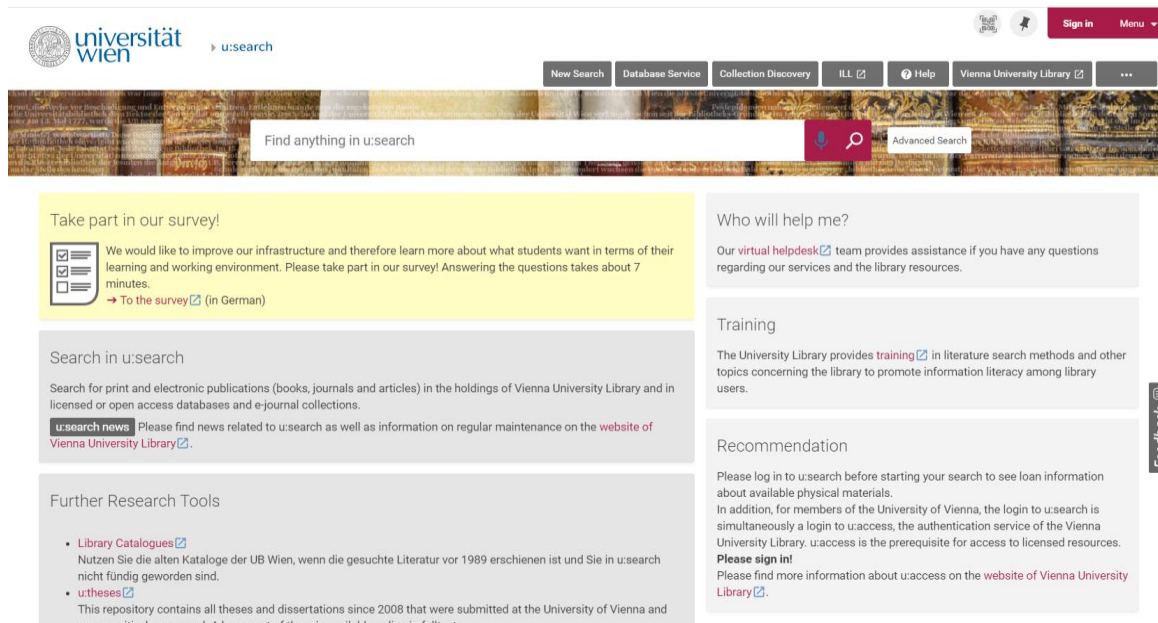
23.09.2024	Closure of Large Reading Room and Catalogue Room
01.10.2024	Several special libraries extend their opening hours
27.10.2024	Last day for orders of books from the Main Library
28.10.2024	Books from Main Library can no longer be ordered
	Relocation of Main Library books to new depot begins
Jan 2025	Books from Main Library can be ordered again from a main building library location
Summer Term 2027	The newly renovated Main Library (re)opens

u:search – the library search engine

- <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/usearch-en>
- Sign in to **u:search** via **u:account** to use personalized features, find out about loanability of items & access licensed e-resources
 - Save searches and set alerts
 - Access your library account, order and renew books
 - Signing in to u:search also means signing in to **access to e-resources** ("u:access")
- Information on **u:access**: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/uaccess.html>
 - Sign in with u:access if you wish to use any electronic resource licensed by Vienna University:
 - via your personal u:account from any computer
 - with a generic u:access log-in from some library computers

U:SEARCH

Searching the university holdings



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New Search Database Service Collection Discovery ILL Help Vienna University Library

Find anything in u:search

Take part in our survey!

We would like to improve our infrastructure and therefore learn more about what students want in terms of their learning and working environment. Please take part in our survey! Answering the questions takes about 7 minutes.
→ To the survey (in German)

Search in u:search

Search for print and electronic publications (books, journals and articles) in the holdings of Vienna University Library and in licensed or open access databases and e-journal collections.

u:search news Please find news related to u:search as well as information on regular maintenance on the [website of Vienna University Library](#).

Further Research Tools

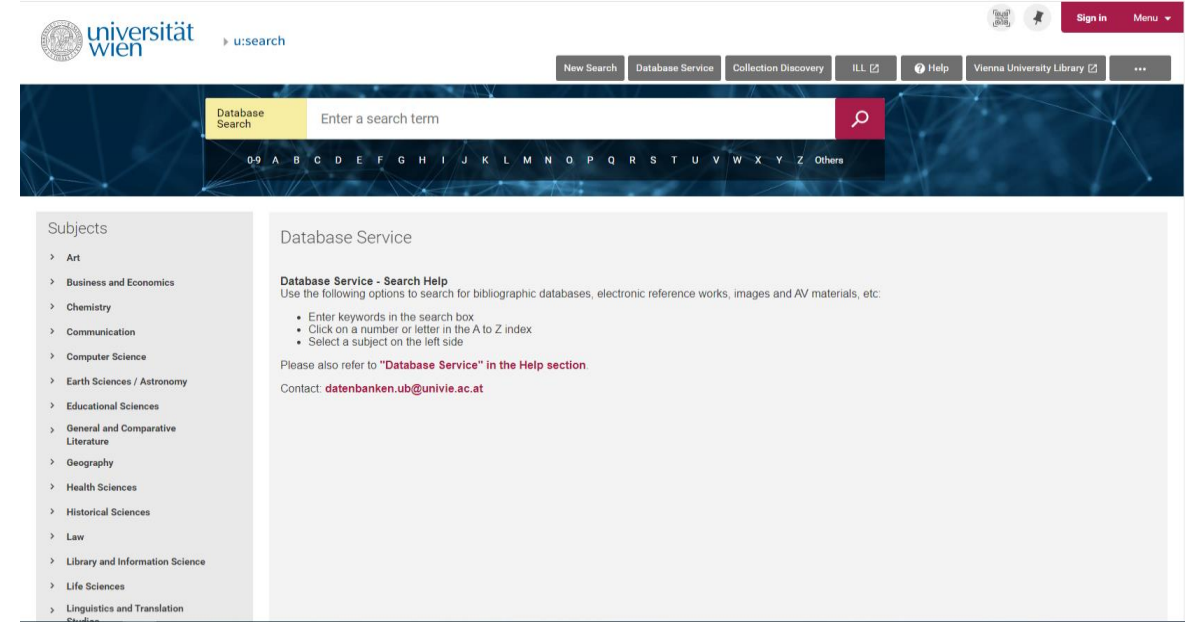
- Library Catalogues**
Nutzen Sie die alten Kataloge der UB Wien, wenn die gesuchte Literatur vor 1989 erschienen ist und Sie in u:search nicht fündig geworden sind.
- u:theses**
This repository contains all theses and dissertations since 2008 that were submitted at the University of Vienna and were positively assessed. A huge part of them is available online in fulltext.

Who will help me?
Our [virtual helpdesk](#) team provides assistance if you have any questions regarding our services and the library resources.

Training
The University Library provides [training](#) in literature search methods and other topics concerning the library to promote information literacy among library users.

Recommendation
Please log in to u:search before starting your search to see loan information about available physical materials. In addition, for members of the University of Vienna, the login to u:search is simultaneously a login to u:access, the authentication service of the Vienna University Library. u:access is the prerequisite for access to licensed resources. **Please sign in!** Please find more information about u:access on the [website of Vienna University Library](#).

Database Service



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New Search Database Service Collection Discovery ILL Help Vienna University Library

Database Search Enter a search term

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z Others

Subjects

- > Art
- > Business and Economics
- > Chemistry
- > Communication
- > Computer Science
- > Earth Sciences / Astronomy
- > Educational Sciences
- > General and Comparative Literature
- > Geography
- > Health Sciences
- > Historical Sciences
- > Law
- > Library and Information Science
- > Life Sciences
- > Linguistics and Translation

Database Service

Database Service - Search Help
Use the following options to search for bibliographic databases, electronic reference works, images and AV materials, etc.

- Enter keywords in the search box
- Click on a number or letter in the A to Z index
- Select a subject on the left side


Please also refer to "**Database Service**" in the [Help section](#).
Contact: datenbanken.ub@univie.ac.at

Borrowing, renewing, ordering, placing a hold on items

- Most loanable items can be borrowed for up to 12 months – if nobody else places a hold (Exception: weekend, overnight)
- Guaranteed periods vary in branch libraries (7-14-28 days)
- For PhD students: automatic renewal for 7-14-28 days for a maximum period of up to 12 months– if nobody else places a hold (Exception: weekend, overnight)
- You can place a hold to be next in line for an item on loan
- Find item on library shelf OR pre-order item and collect it from a library counter: information via [u:search](#), the library search engine, after you have signed in

Accessing E-Resources (with u:access only)

- Find information on u:access: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/uaccess.html>
- u:access allows you access to VUL e-resources by logging in via your u:account
- Sign in to u:search = sign in u:access; or access other tools such as EZB (electronic journals library) via u:access so that e-resources accessible
- Check whether u:access forms part of the URL of a resource, e.g.

 <https://www-tandfonline-com.uaccess.univie.ac.at/loi/rrob20>

- Signing in corresponds to switching access on:
 - Use the bookmarklet that you can draw to favourites bar (helps you sign on again if you find you are not signed on)
 - On mobile devices and browsers without a favourites bar, you need to manually create a u:access bookmark



Important other research tools

- [EZB – electronic journals library](#): electronic journals library with direct access to all available e-journals
- E-Theses Hochschulschriften Service: university theses including doctoral theses <https://utheses.univie.ac.at/> (some but not all full texts)
- Phaidra – repository for the permanent secure storage of digital assets at the University of Vienna <https://phaidra.univie.ac.at/>
- u:scholar – institutional repository <https://uscholarunivie.uaccess.univie.ac.at/>
- AUSSDA – Austrian Social Data Archive <https://data.aussda.at/>

If source not available from Vienna University Library

- Find in **other academic libraries in Vienna** with the help of the Austrian Union catalogues/search engine: <https://www.obvsg.at/en/catalogues/consortium-catalogues/>
- **Interlibrary Loans** - <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/fernleihe.html>
 - ILL applicable if items not available in Vienna (see other libraries in Vienna first) but available from other Austrian or European libraries
 - Find item outside Vienna/Austria, e.g. with the help of the KVK <https://kvk.bibliothek.kit.edu/>
 - Order loans of books/copies of articles via form in u:search
 - ILL will continue undisturbed by renovation work
- **Acquisition Suggestions** for books to libraries:
<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/ankaufsvorschlaege.html>

Other libraries in Vienna it might be useful to join (NOT part of VUL)

- Austrian National Library: <https://www.onb.ac.at/en/>
- Other university libraries in Vienna, e.g.:
 - University of Applied Arts library <https://www.dieangewandte.at/jart/prj3/angewandte-2016/main.jart?rel=en&content-id=1457609271515&reserve-mode=active>
 - TU (Technical University) library <http://www.ub.tuwien.ac.at/eng/>
 - MDW (University of Music and Performing Arts) library <https://www.mdw.ac.at/bib/>
 - Medical University Vienna library <https://www.meduniwien.ac.at/web/en/about-us/organisation/organisational-units-with-special-service-function/university-library/>
 - Veterinary Medicine library <https://www.vetmeduni.ac.at/en/bibliothek/>
 - BOKU (University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences) library <https://www.boku.ac.at/en/bib/>
 - WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business) library <https://www.wu.ac.at/en/library>
- Vienna Public Library (Büchereien Wien): <https://buechereien.wien.gv.at/>
- Vienna City Library (Wienbibliothek im Rathaus): <https://www.wienbibliothek.at/english>

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Library Instruction

We offer library instruction for the following target groups:

- Students
- Doctoral candidates
- University lecturers
- Researchers
- High school students and teachers
- General public

Services

- Opening Hours
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- Digitisation
- Seat Reservations
- Virtual Helpdesk
- Library Instruction
 - Students
 - Doctoral Candidates
 - University Lecturers
 - Researchers
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- Accessibility
- Research Support
- For Guests
- For High School Students
- Downloads
- Acquisition Suggestions
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Upcoming Sessions

For a complete list of sessions please click on one of the target groups above.

FB Philosophie und Psychologie: Digitale Liveführung (in German)
05.10.2022, 10:00 | Online session

Wir führen Sie in unserem virtuellen Rundgang durch die Fachbereichsbibliothek Philosophie und Psychologie und beantworten Ihre Fragen zur Bibliotheksbenutzung. [\[more\]](#)

Library instruction

Relevant instruction sessions held by librarians specifically for PhD candidates can be found the dedicated library's instruction webpage: <https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/schulungsangebot/en/schulung-doktorandinnen.html>

- You may find other relevant instruction sessions in the pages for students, for researchers and for teachers
- Please check whether the sessions are online or take place in situ and whether you need to register beforehand
- Please note that there will be a different platform from this in 2025. More information will be posted when this becomes relevant.

<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/schulungsangebot/en/>



Research Support Services of the Vienna University Library

- Dedicated webpages
- Video: [Research Support Services of the Vienna University Library \(2021\)](#)

<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/forschungsunterstuetzung/en/>



Questions?

- Central Virtual Reference Desk & Helpdesk via telephone (T: +43-1-4277-15140), e-mail (helpdesk.ub@univie.ac.at) or contact form:
<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/kontakt.html>
- Feedback feature in u:search
- Contact librarians in special libraries via their personal or the library e-mail addresses (see individual libraries' homepages)
<https://bibliothek.univie.ac.at/en/bibliotheken.html>