

## About us

### Media offer

The university library is an academic library that places its focus on pedagogy and psychology. In addition, we stock a large selection of media on different study subjects. A total of over 200,000 printed books, journals and other media (DVDs, audio CDs, CD-ROMs, games) are freely available and systematically organised according to subject. In addition, approx. 40,000 e-books and over 20,000 licensed e-journals as well as numerous databases are available.

As a central establishment we mainly provide members of the Karlsruhe University of Education with literature to support their studies, teaching and research. However, anyone with scientific and professional interests is welcome to use our services.



The university library offers a wide range of literature

## We offer...

**Service desk** We're here to answer your questions about the library and are happy to assist you during your search for suitable literature.

**Single and group study spaces** There are study booths and numerous seats, some equipped with PCs, others with power sockets for your own laptop, available so you can work in the library. Members of the University of Education can use our group study room for group work.

**Learning on the move** With our desk bikes and our height-adjustable stools you can counteract the negative effects of sitting for long periods at work.

**A reading room** This is where the reference holdings, such as lecture materials, journals spanning the last 10 years and other media are held. These may only be used within the library.

**Photocopiers and book scanners** On the ground floor you have access to a photocopier and two free book scanners that can be used with USB sticks.

**Mediathek** The Mediathek shelf contains DVDs, CDs and CD-ROMs. Additionally there is also a Mediathek PC for the installation and use of the media.

**Inter-library loan** We can obtain literature currently not available in Karlsruhe for you from other libraries.

**Lockers** can be found in the entrance area of the library. Bring your own lock or buy one at the service desk.

**Wi-Fi** Members of the University of Education can use the Wi-Fi within the rooms of the library via their own account. External users can use the internet via EduRoam or by using a guest account.

## How to reach us

### Opening times

Monday - Thursday	8 am - 8 pm
Friday	8 am - 6 pm

Different opening times will be announced in time on our website.

### Telephone numbers

Information desk	+49 721 925-5517
Lending	+49 721 925-5518
Inter-library loan	+49 721 925-5513
E-Media	+49 721 925-5522
Training courses	+49 721 925-5500

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**University Library**  
Information for beginners

## Registration and Account

### Registration

Within the rooms of the library the use of the media is free. In order to borrow media, a library card is required.

A library card can be created from [compatible chip cards](#) issued by Karlsruhe universities and libraries. If you do not have a compatible chip card, you can buy one at our service desk for a one-off fee.

Please bring ID (e.g. passport) and proof of postal address with you to register.

### Library account

You can find your library account in the online catalogue under »My account«.

Here you can always find an overview of:

- [your account \(lending, loan periods and fees\)](#)
- [inter-library loans](#)
- [reservations as well as](#)
- [renewing media](#)
- [changing passwords and email addresses](#)

Please use the 12-digit ID number on your chip card as your username. In order to log in, you will receive an initial password at the service desk.

## Lending and Returning

Books, journals and electronic media can be searched for at the library or from home on the online catalogue.

[Borrow](#) media using the self-check stations, where you can also generate account statements and have media renewed.

[Return](#) media to the self-service return station by the entrance of the library (Monday - Friday 7 am - 10 pm).

[The loan period](#) is 30 days. 5 days before the expiration of the loan period you will receive a reminder via email.

[Renewals](#) are permitted up to 5 times. Further renewals are only permitted if the media in question is presented at the service-desk.

[Reserve media](#) via the »request/hold« function within the online catalogue. As soon as it is ready to be picked up, you will receive an email. The media in question can then be found on the pick-up shelf next to the service desk, where it is available for you for up to 10 days.

[Borrow media over the weekend](#) Max. 3 items may be borrowed from the reading room from Friday 12 pm - Monday 12 pm. This does not apply for journal volumes or individual issues.

[Missed your return date?](#) If you didn't renew or return the media you have borrowed on time, you must pay a late fee per borrowed item. The fees are then added up and after 7 days the fee is increased.

<a href="#">Level 1</a>	1,50 € / item
<a href="#">Level 2</a>	3,00 € / item
<a href="#">Level 3</a>	6,50 € / item
<a href="#">Level 4</a>	6,50 € / item

## Electronic Services

### Databases

Important databases for studying at the University of Education as well as numerous licensed and free databases are available via the [Database Information System \(DBIS\)](#).

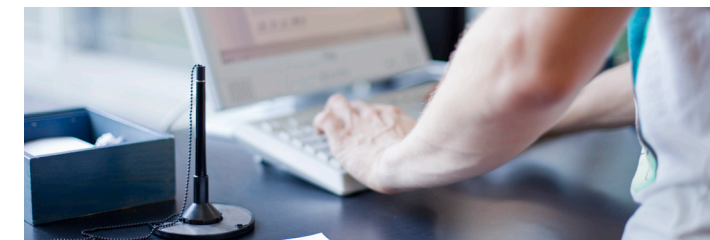
### E-books und e-journals

Numerous e-books on a variety of different subjects can be searched for using the online catalogue.

The [Electronic Journals Library \(EZB\)](#) offers access to full texts of free and licensed journals. The licensed e-journals are also listed in our online catalogue.

A general search of most information resources can be performed using our [research system BOSS](#).

[Access to e-media](#) All offers are made available campus-wide and can be accessed from any computer within the university network of the University of Education Karlsruhe. Members of the University of Education can also access the electronic services from home via VPN or Shibboleth.



If you have any questions, please contact [emedien@ph-karlsruhe.de](mailto:emedien@ph-karlsruhe.de)

## Guided tours and Trainings

On our [guided tours](#) of the library we show you around and give you practical tips on how to use the library to your advantage.

Additionally, we offer [research courses](#) to introduce you to different information resources such as online catalogues or specialist databases. At the same time, we show you how to effectively look for and find literary references and full texts.

In our [courses on reference management programs](#) you learn how to manage and organise the sources you find so that you can keep an overview for a longer period of time.

For lecturers, we offer appointments as part of the course by arrangement. We are happy to adapt our training courses to suit your individual needs.

[Dates and registration](#) You can find event dates on our website at the beginning of the semester. You can register via LSF or, for external users, by email. If a minimum number of 5 participants register, we also offer individual appointments.



We support you in your research with suitable information media