Collections at Institutes of the TU Wien

The institutes of the TU Wien have collections of books and journals, which can be found on the online catalogue. Details about the institute, its address, telephone number and library hours (if any) can be found by clicking on the icon beside the institute’s name in the “Locations” tab.

The institutes have individual opening hours and borrowing conditions. We therefore advise our patrons to inquire in advance at the institutes whether the item is available for use and what their library hours are.

1 Main library
TU Wien University Library
1040 Vienna, Resselgasse 4
www.ub.tuwien.ac.at

Information:
T: +43-1-58801-44001 | info@ub.tuwien.ac.at

Borrowing:
T: +43-1-58801-44061 | ausleihe@ub.tuwien.ac.at

2 Chemistry and Mechanical Engineering Library (CheMaB)
1060 Vienna, Getreidemarkt 9
Plus Energy Building, BA, 1st floor
T: +43-1-58801-44200 | chemab@ub.tuwien.ac.at
www.ub.tuwien.ac.at/chemab

3 Urban Design Library
at Institute of Urban Design and Landscape Architecture
1040 Vienna, Karlsplatz 13 (stairwell III, 4th floor)
T: +43-1-58801-26060 | staedtebau@ub.tuwien.ac.at
www.ub.tuwien.ac.at/staedtebau
The TU Wien University Library was founded in 1815. Our collection contains printed and electronic resources in the areas of science and technology, including related subjects. The library service is on three sites: the Main Library and two department libraries, the Chemistry Library and the Urban Design Library. The Library is a public library open to university staff, students and members of the public.

The Main Library provides:

- 700 study desks, mostly with internet access
- a print collection including more than 1.44 million books, several thousand also available online on the TU campus. 150,000 books are kept on open access shelves in the Library’s reading rooms, arranged according to the Library’s classification comprising 50 subject groups and 7000 notations.
- 18,000 textbooks
- around 1000 scientific journals, 4000 e-journals accessible on the TU campus, and 50,000 free e-journals
- 50 scientific databases comprising hundreds of millions of bibliographic records and full texts in science and technology, accessible on the TU campus

Services

- **Information and enquiries**: our staff at the information desk on the first floor of the Main Library will help you with finding books and journals and with using databases and e-resources.
- **Library trainings**: the University Library offers free training sessions on the basics of using the library as well as subject trainings on using subject-specific information resources and databases.
- **Borrowing**: most books of the Main Library and the subject libraries are available for loan.
- **Inter-library loans and document delivery**: the Library will obtain for you books, journal articles, conference papers, or other publications not held in the Library at moderate prices.
- **Book scanners** are provided for the use of our patrons in the open access areas (1st floor to 5th floor of the Main Library). To use this service, bring your USB stick.
- **Vision Impaired Persons Workplace**: The library provides a workplace for blind or vision impaired students at the 4th floor. If you wish to take advantage of this facility, please contact Mr. Gerhard Neustätter.

Opening hours

Main Library open access areas, reading rooms:  
Mo - Fr 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
Sa 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Circulation desk:  
Mo - Fr 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Shorter opening hours during summer vacation (July to September)

Resources

Most up-to-date printed works (books and journals) are kept on open access shelves in the Library’s reading rooms, accessible within the opening hours.

How to find literature

To find the books and journals you need, use the library catalogue (CatalogPlus). The catalogue includes books and journals held by the library, all licensed electronic journals titles as well as journals articles, e-books and book chapters from a large number of publishers, platforms, and other licensed online resources. In addition, you can use the scientific databases to search for literature.

Open access areas / reading rooms and study desks

In the Main Library’s open access areas on the ground floor up to the fifth floor of the library building, up-to-date scientific literature for research and teaching purposes is available, including textbooks, a reference collection, handbooks and scientific journals.

On each floor there are study desks and PC workplaces provide access to the catalogue and to the library’s licensed electronic information resources. At the 5th floor you find group working rooms and a reading lounge.