Dear readers,

From the extension of the opening hours of the Library Centre (BZ) during the examination period to the loan of mobile devices and the provision of electronic textbook collections, we are trying to support students in the best possible way.

This also includes that the group study rooms in the BZ received new interactive large wall displays, which should improve the exchange in the respective study or work group. The university's central teaching rooms will be equipped with HDMI connections.

Scientists and scholars who would like to apply for publication funding via the kiz are requested to clarify the financial modalities with us in advance to submission. In this newsletter you will also find further examples of how we can support you in your publication strategy. In addition, we would like to draw your attention to the new project website „Campus Portal“ on the occasion of the launch of the „Student Management“ (HISinOne).

We wish you a good summer semester!

Your PR team of the kiz

User Services

Extended opening hours of the Central Library and the library Helmholtzstr. 18

From June 12 to August 6, 2023, the Central Library and its reading room will be open as follows:

- Mon – Thurs  8 am – 10 pm
- Fri       8 am – 8 pm
- Sat + Sun  10 am – 8 pm

Take advantage of the pleasant learning atmosphere in the library building at Uni West and in the faculty building (MaWi) at Helmholtzstr. 18! We wish all students who are studying good luck for their exams!
Job offers at the kiz

With approximately 160 employees, the kiz is the second largest central institution at Ulm University. The kiz provides central services for research, teaching, study, and administration in the areas of library, information technology and media. The underlying tasks required to provide the services are represented in six service departments of the kiz, Servicemanagement & Organization, Information Systems, Media, Infrastructure, Circulation, and Collections & Information Media.

We offer...*
... Flexible working time
... Working from home and working remotely (depending on tasks)
... Balancing family and work
... Uniform pay scale
... Civil servant positions
... Occupational health management
*read more here: → https://www.uni-ulm.de/einrichtungen/zuv/dezernat-3/stellenportal/ueber-uns

We are temporarily looking for student assistants in the following areas:
- Library (evening and Saturday service)
- IT consultation hour (advice & support)
- Pool runner (support of PC pools)
- Web CMS

Please send your enquiries and applications in writing by → E-Mail
Information on e-books and e-book packages

E-Book Research and Platforms
In principle, all e-books are purchased as campus licenses and are listed in the library catalogue and can be accessed from there. This applies to e-books from individual purchases as well as to titles in packages. Titles that cannot be made available directly on a publisher’s platform may be available via aggregator services or databases (e.g. EbookCentral). It is therefore advisable not to search for the desired titles directly on the publishing platforms themselves or via commercial search engines, but always via the → library catalogue. In this way, the local stock can be checked directly and the stored link leads to the correct platform. An overview of large e-book packages can also be found in the → overview of e-books.

Evidence-based-selection (EBS)
For the year 2022, EBS models were made available with the publishers SpringerNature and Cambridge University Press. For one year, all e-books from certain packages (Springer) or the entire publishing programme (CUP) were available to our users. After evaluating usage statistics, demand in the semester collections, purchase requests and direct user enquiries, a selection of titles was made to take over the most urgently needed e-book titles.
From Cambridge University Press, a total of 264 titles were permanently adopted in 2023, from over 48,000 e-books made available in 2022. From Springer, a total of 110 titles were added in 2023, from a total of 6,672 available e-books in 2022. The titles range from the years 2018-2021 and are part of the following packages:

- Behavioral Science and Psychology
- Biomedical and Life Science
- Chemistry and Material Science
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Professional and Applied Computing

In addition to the EBS models, the Springer collections Psychology 2023 and Computer Science 2023 (including LNCS) as well as the electronic textbook collections from Wiley (hosted via Ciando) and Thieme (eRef) are available in 2023.

Open-Access E-Books
Selected Open Access e-books as well as subject-collections matching our portfolio are listed in the library catalogue. In 2023 titles from the following publishers were made available so far: Edward Elgar (28 titles), Emerald (31), Franz Steiner Verlag (90), Oxford University Press (206), Brepols (26), Bloomsbury (306).
Wiley DEAL: Information on author participation in flip journals

Part of the open access transition in the context of the DEAL contract with Wiley and Springer are conversions of subscription-based journals to the open access business model. The costs for publication are then no longer covered by the license agreement, but may only receive a discount on the list price of the article processing charge (APC). Since autumn 2022, the following Wiley journals with authors from Ulm University have been transformed into the new business model:

- Advanced Electronic Materials
- Advanced Materials Interfaces
- ChemElectroChem
- Energy & Environmental Materials
- Environmental Microbiology Reports
- Experimental Physiology
- Geophysical Research Letters
- Journal of Cosmetic Dermatology
- Macromolecular Materials and Engineering
- Methods in Ecology and Evolution
- Small Structures
- Wildlife Society Bulletin

If the above-mentioned journals are suitable for publication for you as an author, you should ideally secure appropriate funding for the desired article before submission. Although articles in purely OA journals can be partially subsidized by the OA fund, authors always have to pay their own share of the costs.

Further information on OA journals in OA transformation contracts

It is important to note that the OA funding conditions also apply to articles in OA journals in OA transformation contracts (including DEAL contracts). Usually those articles receive a discount through the contracts. An overview of all current OA transformation contracts is available on the OA funding website.

The only exceptions are currently Cambridge University Press and the Institute of Physics (IoP): here, article fees (APCs) in OA journals are already compensated within the framework of the OA transformational agreements for corresponding authors from Ulm University. Enquiries about publication costs should be addressed to oa@uni-ulm.de
Elite programme (Baden-Württemberg Foundation)

With its Elite programme, the Baden-Württemberg Foundation supports excellent young scientists (postdoc level) to build a career at the university (professorship). Ulm University is allowed to submit four applications. An independent and new research project is a precondition for application; projects from the field of clinical medicine are not included in the call. Funding is limited to three years, and while the postdoc position itself may not be paid from the funds of the Elite programme, personnel, travel, material, and investments are financed.

In coordination with the Center for Research Strategy and Support (Res.UL), specialists from the kiz advice researchers on the open science concept as part of their application - open science referring to open access to scientific research (publications, research data) in this case. Open Access publishing at Ulm University is possible via the university’s repository OPARU in green open access, gold open access is funded via central open access budgets. At the kiz, researchers from all disciplines receive support in building a successful publication strategy. Such support includes the creation of journal target lists, financial support to publish gold open access, and support on green open access publishing on the university’s repository to fulfill funders requirements.

Interactive displays in the library’s group study rooms

At the end of last year, five group study rooms in the library were equipped with interactive displays. These are a welcome addition to the group study rooms and offer students even better opportunities to learn and work together.

The 86-inch displays function like a giant tablet and offer numerous options to support collaboration in a group. Thanks to the multi-touch function, students can use the displays as a digital whiteboard and use various apps such as web browser, Word or PDF. The jointly developed content can then be copied from the display using a USB stick and used to study at home and in other environments. Alternatively, the displays can be connected to a laptop via HDMI and used as a touchscreen via USB cable.

The displays were procured in cooperation with the Centre for Teaching Development (ZLE) and were funded by the MWK’s programme for catching up on learning backlogs caused by the pandemic. The programme included funds to provide students with modern learning environments.

To the owners of Handbooks in the institutes:
In rare cases, highly topical literature is not available in the library headquarters, but for budgetary reasons only directly in the institutes (reference collections). If such media are not lent out there on request, we urge the owners to at least grant users access and consultation at the respective location in justified cases.
Media Technology in the Lecture Hall / Seminar Room: HDMI - Into the Future with a Digital Image

The central teaching rooms of the University (lecture halls, seminar rooms) are equipped with connections so that a lecturer can bring a picture, e.g. from his or her laptop brought along, to a beamer or monitor. From now on, new media technology at Ulm University will only be equipped with HDMI connections. Any adapters required for the lecturer’s own terminal equipment must be brought by the lecturer. The analogue VGA connection, which is no longer up-to-date, has had its day and will not be used again in the future. Functioning VGA connections in already modernised systems will of course not be removed and can continue to be used. We assume that current end devices have a digital picture output. Either natively directly via HDMI socket or via (mini-)Displayport or USB-C. The lecturer must bring the HDMI adapter required for the respective end device (laptop, tablet, ...) himself! We always recommend the use of HDMI for digital projections in high resolution and best picture quality.

News from the Campus Portal project

With a kick-off event on January 26, 2023, Ulm University gave the starting signal for the introduction of the second HISinOne module „Student Management“ (STU). As part of this project, the previous legacy system HIS SOS-GX will be replaced by the integrated web-based HISinOne-STU in mid-2024. The goals of the project include improved workflows, e.g. through simple and transparent fee calculation or web-based submission of applications as well as the possibility of uploading documents. The intuitive user guidance and the transparent view of the current status of the processing of applications will improve the quality of service in the future. The digitalisation of student administration with the help of HISinOne-STU will offer the best possible service, greater efficiency and reliability for all user groups. The project is being carried out in accordance with the proven project organisation and process of HIS for the introduction of HISinOne at the universities. In numerous workshops in Q2 and Q3 2023, the technical planning, data migration, and configuration will be analysed, optimised and carried out with the technical consultants of HIS eG.

An overview of the objectives and progress in the „Campus Portal“ project can be found on the new project website.
War and its psychosocial functions
Stavros Mentzos
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The Frankfurt psychoanalyst Stavros Mentzos develops the thesis that narcissistic needs and deficits are compensated for in warlike conflicts and that inner conflicts, identity crises, depressions and feelings of meaninglessness are shifted outwards in the process. According to Mentzos, the human aggression instinct is not the central motive force of war. If one focuses on the psychosocial dimensions, it is precisely here that there is hope for a change in consciousness that can contribute to the prevention of war.

Prof. Dr. med. Stavros Mentzos (1930-2015) was a psychiatrist and psychoanalyst and head of the Department of Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics at the University Hospital in Frankfurt/Main.

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