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What can you find in the library?

Every single public library in Padua is open-shelf.

You can find different kinds of books, from novels to essays, as well as Cds and DVDs. The main library (Biblioteca Civica) also has a wide assortment of ancient books and manuscripts in the Historical Section.

Access

If you want to stay in the library to study, you'll have to book a seat through the app Affluences.

Reservation is not needed for Historical Section, Open-Shelf Area or the Reading Seats.

Borrow, Reserve and Renew

Borrowing is strictly personal.

You can borrow 10 items at a time with a

restriction of 3 for multimedia content. Moreover, you can borrow 2 issues at time from the Magazines collection.

Loan length: Books and Audio-Books > 30 days;

movies, magazines and Cds > 7 days.

You can request every item directly at the Front Office or ask for the Delivery Service.

You can extend the books loan duration two times (90 days total)

Book Catalogue

You can ask the librarians for any help in finding a book or a document, and you can also do an individual research using the online catalogue: <https://galileodiscovery.unipd.it>

By logging into your account (credentials are provided at the moment of subscription) you may reserve material from the library and extend any of your current loans.

Digital Contents

As a user of the library you have also access to the contents of MediaLibraryOnline (an online system for loaning e-books, audiobooks and reading magazines and newspapers).

The service is free and accessible 24/7, everywhere from any device with an internet connection.

You will receive an e-mail with your username and password at the moment of subscription.

<https://sbupadova.medialibrary.it>

Service

Users may ask for information and counseling at the Front Desk. send an e-mail or call.

Every library has an internet station at disposal for users who have reached the age of majority (for those under 18 years old, authorisation from the minor's legal tutor is required).

Service temporarily suspended due covid 19

Donations

It is possible to donate books or documents to the library. Visit our website to know more.

Events

The libraries of SBU organize events to promote books and reading culture, both for children and adults.

Visit our website to discover upcoming events.

Public Libraries

There are eight public libraries in Padua which constitute the Sistema Bibliotecario Urbano: one main library and seven neighborhood libraries.

Access is free for every citizen: libraries' mission is to meet every need concerning information and culture.

You may find a library in every neighborhood of the city, open from Monday to Saturday.

The aim of the libraries is to promote the access to culture and information, with no interest for gender, social distinctions or different religious beliefs.

www.bibliotechecivichepadova.it

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