

Welcome
to FAU Libraries

Library and Catalogue Basics for International Students



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Pick-up Location



Please enter a search term

Search

Search the entire holdings of the University Library. Search in [catalogue](#) ([OPACplus](#))

We support your literature search:

► At our main branches

► online
www.ub.fau.de/en

via e-mail: ub-auskunft@fau.de



Main Library, Erlangen



Science and Technology Branch Library, Erlangen



Economic and Social Sciences Branch Library, Nürnberg



Educational Science Branch Library, Nürnberg

FAU Library Basics

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1 FAUcard – your Library Card

1 FAUcard



UB ID below barcode

Initial password for first login to the catalogue:
Date of birth in 8 digits: **DDMMYYYY**



Before checking out books with your FAUcard you have to...

- ...log in to www.idm.fau.de (IdM-Portal)
- ...choose **requests/tasks** in the menu bar
- ...*Activate University Library (UB)*
- ...accept terms and conditions of use (ABOB)
- ...wait until the next work day

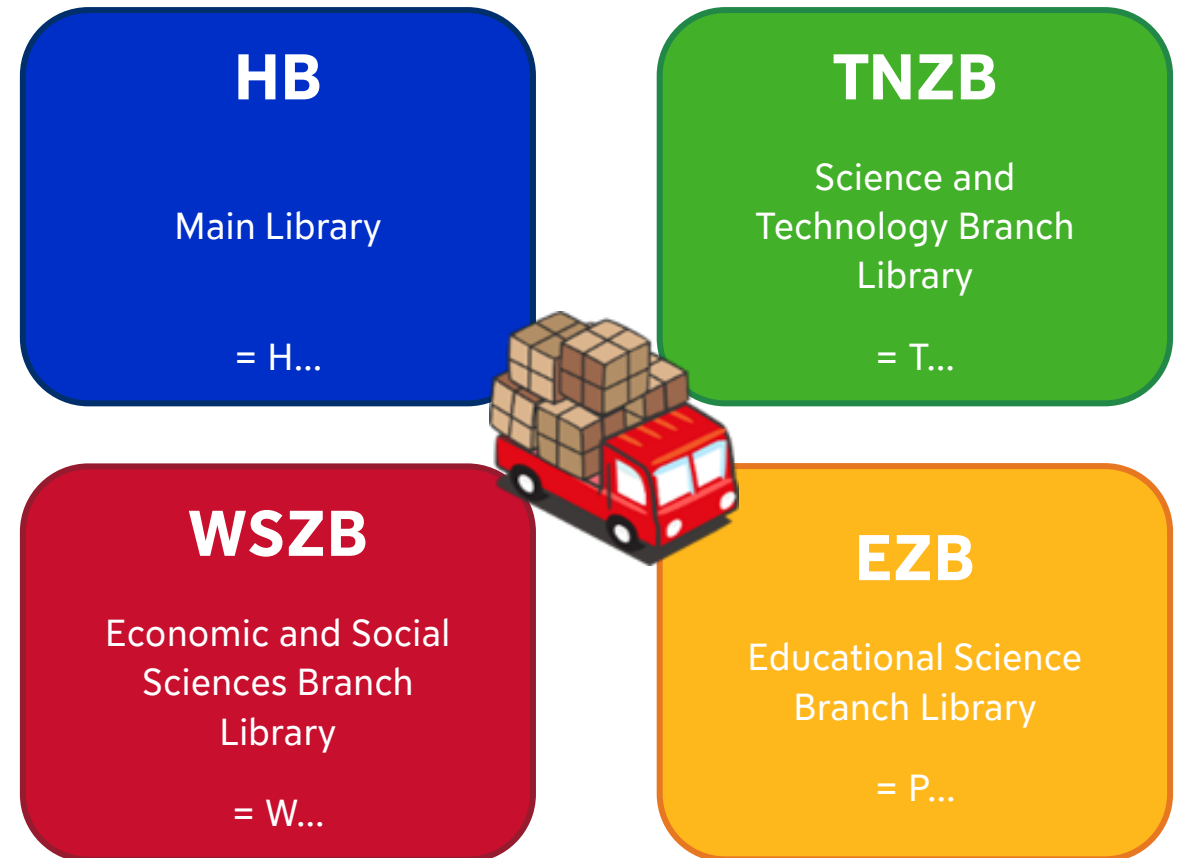
2 Locations of FAU Library

„The big 4“

- Main Library
- 3 Branch Libraries

Books for loan or order
(inter-branch delivery service)

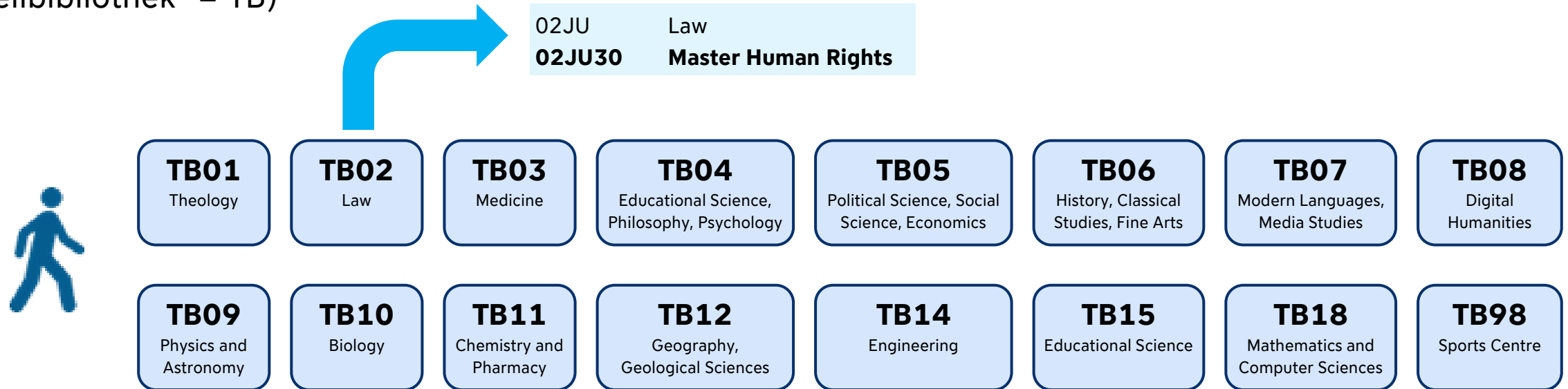
- Loan period: 4 weeks
- can be renewed up to 6 times



2 Locations of FAU Library

15 Departmental Libraries („Teilbibliothek“ = TB)

> 100 locations in Erlangen and Nuremberg



- Different conditions for checkout and loan periods
- Usually open shelves
- No delivery service
- Addresses & opening hours: ub.fau.de/en/locations-opening-hours

3 How to Borrow a Book

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Textbook on international human rights

Author: [Smith, Rhona K. M.](#)

Edition: Seventh edition

Publ. place: Oxford

Publisher: Oxford University Press

Year: [2016]

Extent: XXIX, 416 Seiten

ISBN: 9780198746218

Subject: [Menschenrecht](#) / [Völkerrecht](#) / [Lehrbuch](#)



Copies	Get document	Full view
Shelfmark	Status	
H00/2015 A 6896	for order	

Search for books:

In the library catalogue

ub.fau.de/en

Check the shelfmark



Find books:

- Directly at the shelf
- Orders at the pickup shelf
- Go to the lending desk to pick up any pre-ordered books



Borrow books:

At the self-checkout

or at the lending desk

4 Digital Media and VPN

- E-books via the [catalogue](#) (OPACplus)

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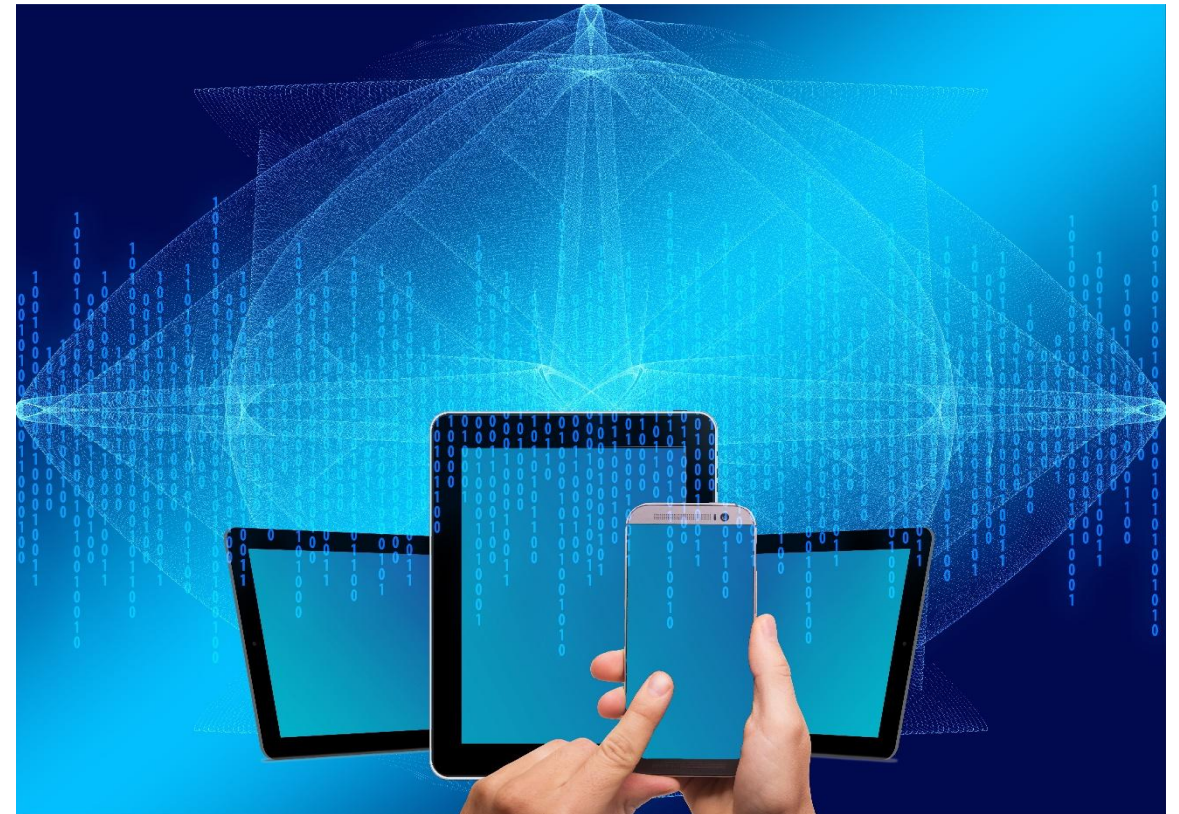
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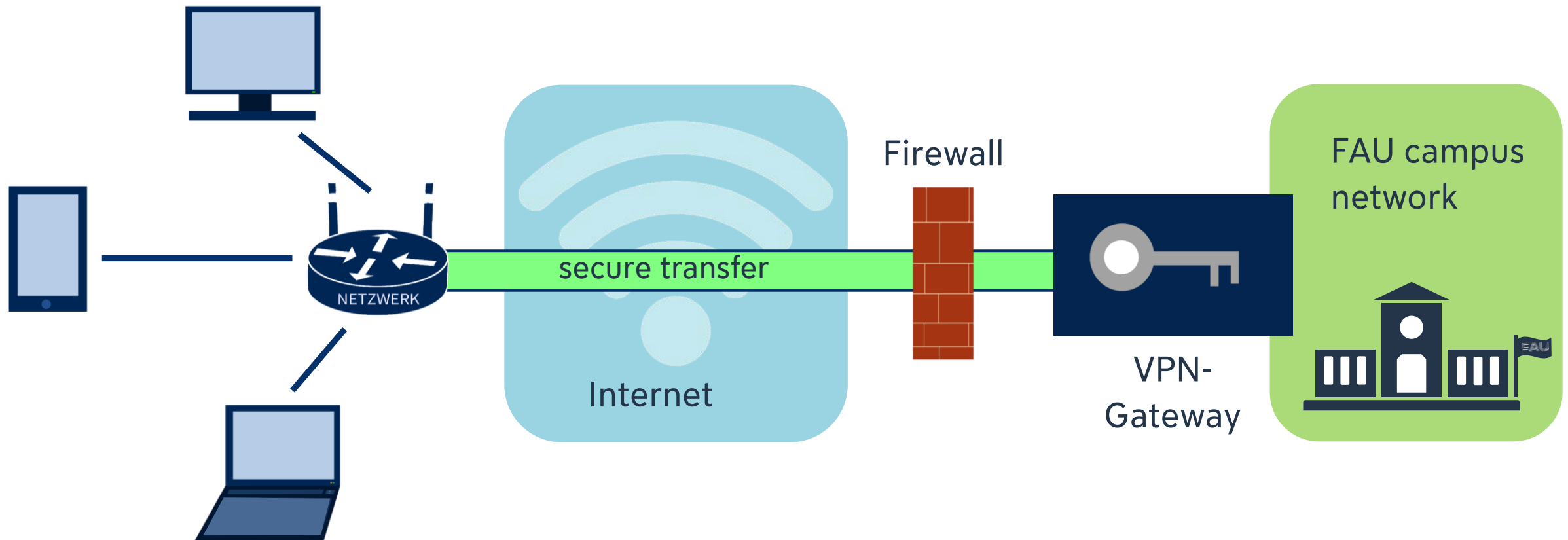
- E-journals via the catalogue and also via [EZB](#)
- Databases via the catalogue and also via [DBIS](#)



4 VPN (Virtual Private Network)

Access to licensed online content via VPN for FAU students and staff

Virtual Private Network enables a computer with internet access from any provider to connect to the university network



Follow these steps to connect via VPN:

- Install eduVPN via [RRZE](https://www.anleitungen.rrze.fau.de/internet-zugang/vpn/): <https://www.anleitungen.rrze.fau.de/internet-zugang/vpn/>
- Tutorial: [E-Tutorial: VPN and access to electronic books for FAU associates](#)
- Connect to server „vpn.fau.de“
- Login with IdM credentials
- Select „FAU Full tunnel“
- Connect via VPN first, then open your browser

5 Library Spaces

5 Services



Textbooks and scientific literature
in printed and electronic form



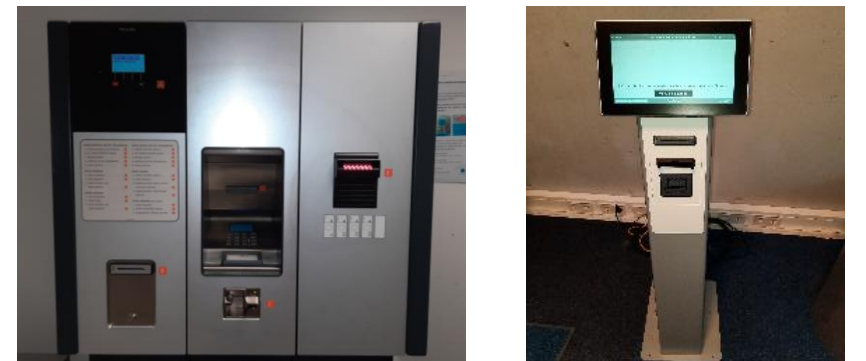
Study spaces and internet terminals,
day- and long-term-lockers (bring own padlock)



Multi-function printers
and scanners



Self-checkout machine



Validation station, top-up machine and
payment terminal

5 Place a reservation



Friedrich-Alexander-Universität
Sitzplatzreservierung in der UB
Erlangen-Nürnberg

Sitzplatzreservierung in der UB Erlangen-Nürnberg

Hauptbibliothek, Technisch-naturwissenschaftliche Zweigbibliothek in Erlangen sowie Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche Zweigbibliothek in Nürnberg bieten Universitätsangehörigen die Möglichkeit, einen Lernplatz zu gewünschten Zeiten zu reservieren.

- Bitte checken Sie sich **innerhalb von 15 Minuten nach Beginn des Buchungszeitraums** ein. Ihr Platz wird sonst automatisch storniert.
- Bitte checken Sie sich aus, wenn Sie die Bibliothek endgültig verlassen.
- Ein Platz kann bis zu 7 Tage im Voraus gebucht werden.
- Die Reservierung eines Platzes gilt nur für die buchende Person, dieser Platz darf nicht von mehreren Personen belegt werden.
- Wenden Sie sich bei Fragen an ub-reservierung@fau.de.



Hauptbibliothek Erlangen



Technisch-naturwissenschaftliche Zweigbibliothek
Erlangen



Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaftliche
Zweigbibliothek Nürnberg

University members can reserve study places at the desired time in areas of the Main Library, the Technical and Scientific Branch Library and the Economic and Social Sciences Branch Library in order to plan their stay in the library.

- You must **check in within 15 minutes**. Otherwise your place will be automatically cancelled.
- Please check out, when you leave the site.
- A desk can be booked up to 7 days in advance.
- The reservation is only valid for the person making the booking, a booked desk may not be occupied by more than one person.
- If you have any questions, please contact ub-reservierung@fau.de.

reservierung.ub.fau.de/

6 Literature Search Tips

6 Literature search by topic

What are the keywords defining your topic?

The impact of climate change on human rights



6 Literature search by topic

What are the keywords defining your topic?

Topic	Impact of climate change on human rights	
Core concept	Climate change	Human right(s)
Synonyms		
General terms		
Subterms		
Related terms		
Foreign language terms		

6 Literature search by topic

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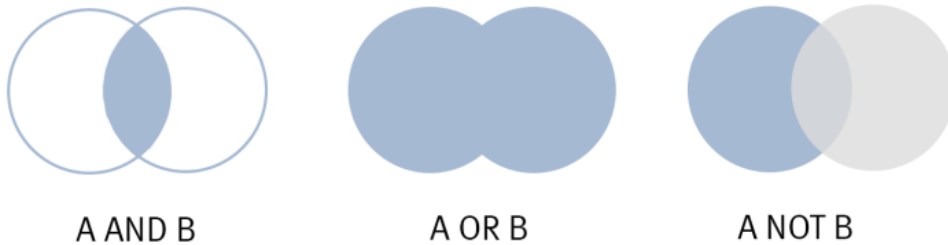
Topic	Impact of climate change on human rights	
Core concept	Climate change	Human right(s)
Synonyms	Global warming Climate warming Climatic change	
General terms	Climate, meteorology	
Subterms	Draught, weather, temperature, rainfall, wind climate models	
Related terms	Agriculture ecosystem	
Foreign language terms	Cambio climático	

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Related terms	Agriculture ecosystem	Natural rights
Foreign language terms	Cambio climático	Derechos humanos

Boolean Operators AND OR NOT



Phrase search

e.g. *"Renewable energy"*

Search request

Free search

and Title words

Truncation*

Search request

Free search

and Title words

→ results: industry, industrial...

Wildcard

Search request

Free search

and Title words

and Author

→ results: Schmidt/Schmitt

7 How to Search the Catalogue

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ub.fau.de

Select a library site, start your search, manage your account:

Please choose your pick-up location: ▼

Go to the catalogue

Intra-library delivery service is available between the following sites:

Main Library Erlangen	TNZB Erlangen
WSZB Nürnberg	EZB Nürnberg

Select pick-up location

Case 7.3: How to Search the Catalogue

Search by Topic

- Can you find more books on the topic of human rights?



7 How to Search the Catalogue

Search by Topic

Search ▼

My list

Account / Renewal ▼

Stack request

Additional services

Search catalogue of FAU library, Primo discovery and Union catalogue B3Kat

Search request

Free search ▼

and ▼

Title words ▼

"human rights"

and ▼

Author ▼

and ▼

Subject heading ▼

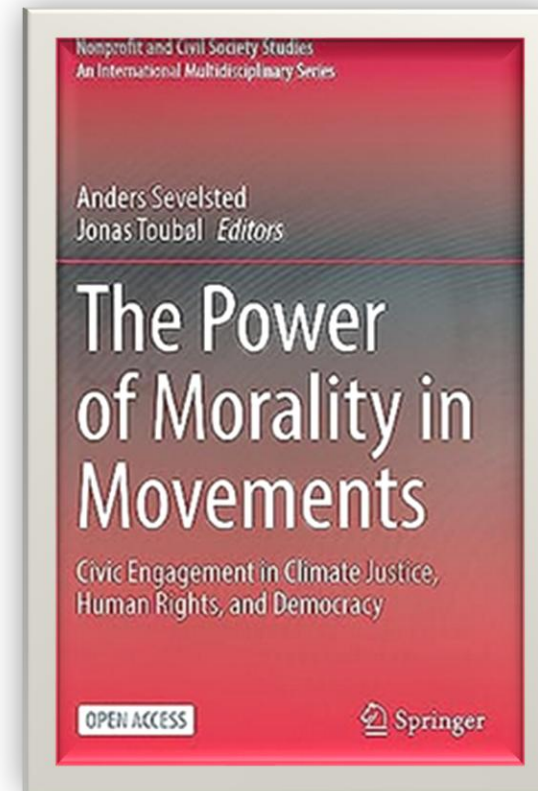
and ▼

Clear

Search

- Find the E-book

The power of morality in movements



7 How to Search the Catalogue

E-Books

The power of morality in movements : civic engagement in climate justice, human rights, and democracy

Author: [Sevelsted, Anders](#) , [Toubøl, Jonas](#)

Publ. place: Cham, Switzerland

Publisher: Springer

Year: [2023]

Extent: 1 Online-Ressource

ISBN: 9783030987985



E-book access via VPN

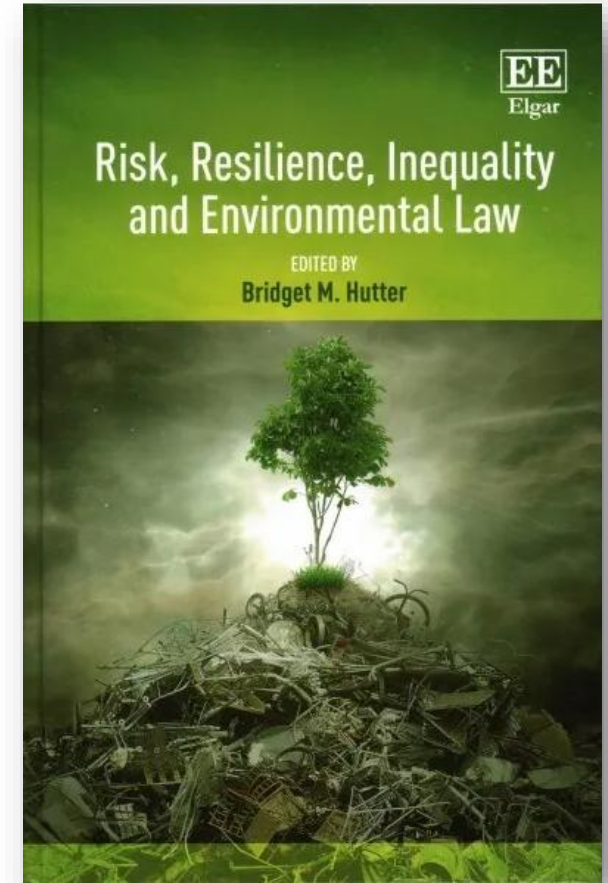
E-tutorial on  YouTube^{DE}

Case 7.1: How to Search the Catalogue

Print Books

- Find the book

Risk, resilience, inequality and environmental law



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Print Books

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and ▼

Title words ▼

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7 How to Search the Catalogue

Print Books

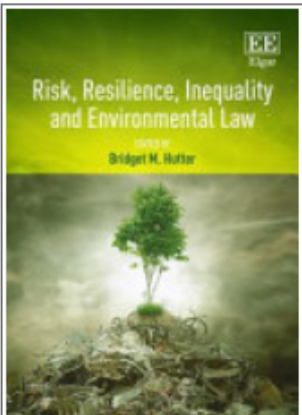
Risk, resilience, inequality and environmental law

Author: [Hutter, Bridget M.](#)
Publ. place: Cheltenham, Glos, UK ; Northampton, Massachusetts, USA
Publisher: Edward Elgar Publishing
Year: [2017]
Extent: xi, 286 Seiten
ISBN: 1785363794 , 9781785363795
Subject: [Klimaänderung](#) / [Anpassung](#) / [Umweltrecht](#) / [Ungleichheit](#) / [Internationaler Vergleich](#)



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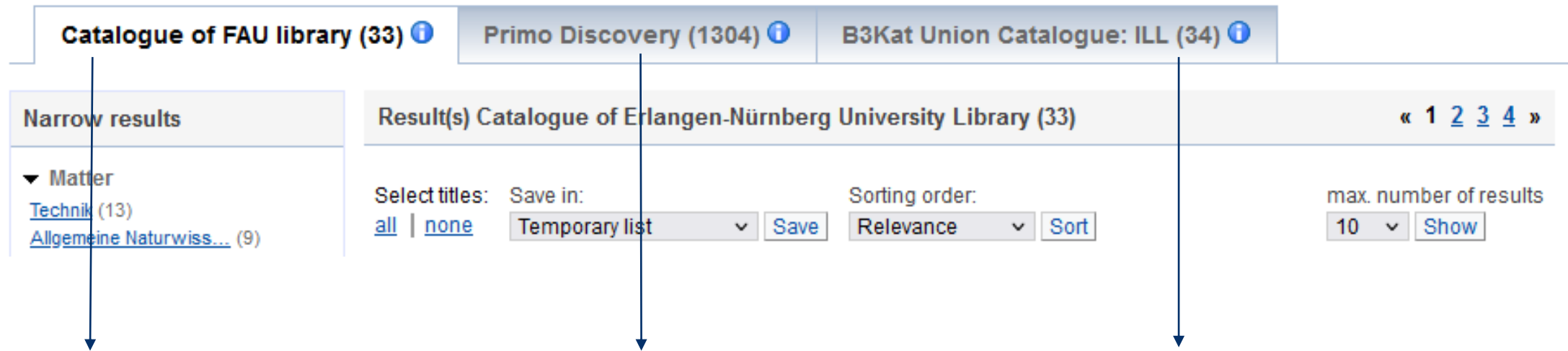


Hauptbibliothek
Anschrift: Schuhstraße 1a, 91052 Erlangen
Fahrplanauskunft (VGN) [↗](#)
Lernplatz gesucht?

o Magazinaufstellung, Freihandmagazine, umfangreiche Präsenzbestände in den Lesesälen, systematische Aufstellung der Freihandbestände (einschließlich Lehrbuchsammlung)

[Location guide](#)

7 How to Search the Catalogue



Catalogue of FAU library (33) **Primo Discovery (1304)** **B3Kat Union Catalogue: ILL (34)**

Narrow results

▼ **Matter**

[Technik \(13\)](#)

[Allgemeine Naturwiss... \(9\)](#)

Select titles: [all](#) | [none](#) Save in: **Temporary list** [Save](#) Sorting order: **Relevance** [Sort](#)

max. number of results **10** [Show](#)

« 1 2 3 4 »

Catalogue of FAU Library

- Books, journals, digital media
- Holdings of FAU Library
- Order and reserve items; manage account and renew loan periods

Primo Discovery

- Articles and more
- From many different sources
- mostly fulltexts (selection)

B3Kat Union Catalogue: Interlibrary Loan

- Media of libraries in Bavaria, Berlin and Brandenburg (including FAU Library)

7 How to Search the Catalogue

Interlibrary Loan / Document Delivery

Literature **not** held in Erlangen or Nürnberg can be ordered via interlibrary loan.

Order via catalogue

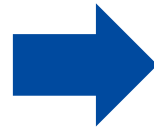
Copies	Get document	Full view	
Local Holdings	No corresponding title found in local collection		Information
FAUdok, ILL, full texts, expanded search	In order to proceed to one of these services, please press SFX:		 Information

- **Delivery time:** 1-2 weeks
- **Fees:**
books: free of charge
articles: 3.50 €

Case 7.4: Get to know Literature Databases

Search by Topic

- Need current research papers on a topic of your interest?



use scientific literature databases!

8 Database Infosystem

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Access to our electronic media

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Search by database title

Search

Search [Databases \(DBIS\)](#) 

8 Database Infosystem

<https://dbis.ur.de/UBEN/browse/subjects/>



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Databases by subject

Subject

[Agriculture and Forestry, Horticulture, Nutritional and Domestic Science](#)

[Anthropology](#)

[Archeology](#)

[Architecture, Civil Engineering](#)

[Art History](#)

[Biology, Biotechnology](#)

[Business and Economics](#)

[Chemistry and Pharmacology](#)

8 Database Selection

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○○○ Scopus

Scopus is a multidisciplinary abstract and citation database for research literature and high-quality internet sources (peer-reviewed). Various tools are available for tracking, analyzing and visualizing research information from all disciplines [More information](#)

→ Go to database

TOP DATABASE

○○○ Springer Nature Link

Access depends on the scope of the licence of the respective library! Unlicensed media have a yellow padlock in front of the title. Springer Nature Link is an interdisciplinary portal that offers a wide range of information resources on all subject areas under one interface: electronic journals, books (e-books) and book series, as well as reference works of the Springer Nature Group: Springer... [More information](#)

→ Go to database

TOP DATABASE

○○○ Web of Science

Full text access depending on the license scope of your facility. The platform is one of the largest curated scientific search systems and offers various abstract and citation indices (such as SCIE, SSCI, AHCI, ESCI, Medline, Current Contents Connect) with a common search interface. [More information](#)

→ Go to database

●○○ BASE : Bielefeld Academic Search Engine

BASE (Bielefeld Academic Search Engine) is one of the world's most voluminous search engines especially for academic web resources. BASE provides more than 400 million documents from more than 11.000 sources. You can access the full texts of about 60% of the indexed documents for free (Open Access). (as of February 2024) About BASE [More information](#)

→ Go to database

9 Library Courses and Online Tutorials

For current trainings check our webpage:
<https://ub.fau.de/en/studying/advice-and-training/library-courses/>

Further services such as:

Writing Skills

UB Coach

Reference management with:

Citavi

Endnote

Zotero

**Subject-specific
courses**

Guided tours

9 Video Tutorials on YouTube



The Library for Freshmen in 4 minutes

University Library Erlangen-Nürnberg



English Tutorials

UB Erlangen Nürnberg

3 Videos · Zuletzt am 24.11.2020 aktualisiert



 **Alle ansehen**

 **Zufallsmix**

Usefull tutorials for students and members of the FAU.

-  **The Library for Freshmen in 4 minutes**
UB Erlangen Nürnberg
-  **Access to electronic books for FAU associates**
UB Erlangen Nürnberg
-  **Access to electronic books for external library users**
UB Erlangen Nürnberg



9 Contact and News

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News



06.03.: Long Night of Writing in the Main Library

The next "Long Night of Writing" will take place in the Main Library in Erlangen on Thursday, March 6, from 4 pm to 11 pm. Some workshops are only held online. Participation is free without prior registration. [Continue](#)



News about the Open Source Publishing Suite

In the development of the single-source software [OS-APS](#), which is being funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research ([BMBF](#)) for a second term, the completion of a new software version was announced at the turn of the year. [Continue](#)



10.02.-21.04.: 07AB, 07DS, 07OR and 07TH Closed During the Lecture-free Period Due to Construction Work

The Ausweichbibliothek (07AB, B 701) as well as the Germanistik (07DS, B 501), Oriental Studies (07OR, B 601) and Theater und Media Studies (07TH, B 201) departmental libraries will be closed from 10.02.2025 to 21.04.2025. The reason for this is the renewal of the electrical distribution boards in Bismarckstraße 1, Tower B. [Continue](#)

[All News](#)

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