When looking for books or journals not available in our library, consider registering for a user card in other (academic) libraries in & around Berlin.

- With a user account, you can borrow items from these libraries and access their electronic resources, such as e-books and e-journals.
- In addition, most of their OPACs\(^1\) / Discovery Systems\(^2\) contain so-called catalogue enhancements / enrichments, e.g. tables of contents, abstracts, publisher information, covers, reviews, amongst others, which are helpful for the evaluation of search results.
- Last but not least, many of these libraries have an Interlibrary Loan (ILL) service integrated in their OPACs / Discovery Systems, meaning that you can borrow items that are owned by other libraries.

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\(^1\) OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue) = conventional electronic library catalogue (database technology).

\(^2\) Discovery System = new bibliographic search system (search engine technology).
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UB HU: University Library of Humboldt University Berlin

UB TU: University Library of Technical University Berlin
UB UdK: University Library of Universität der Künste (University of Fine Arts)

UB FU: University Library of Free University Berlin

UB Uni Potsdam: University Library of University Potsdam

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HSB FHP: Library of Fachhochschule Potsdam
University of Applied Sciences

Stabi / SBB: Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin
(Berlin State Library)

BBAW Library: Library of Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities

ZLB: Zentral- und Landesbibliothek Berlin
(Berlin Central and Regional Library)
Tip – Union Catalogues for the Berlin Area

Use these Union Catalogues to simultaneously search in several OPACs / Discovery Systems in the Berlin area:

**ZDB Zeitschriftendatenbank**  
(German Union Catalogue of Serials)  
- Periodicals only: journals, newspapers, magazines, yearbooks, book series from all countries, in all languages, print and digital  
- One of the largest periodicals databases worldwide: 1.8 million title records from more than 4,200 German & Austrian libraries (as of July 2018)

**KOBV Kooperativer Bibliotheksverbund Berlin-Brandenburg** (Union Catalogue for Berlin & Brandenburg)  
- Libraries of Universities and other Higher Education Institutions, Public Libraries, as well as libraries of several research institutes & government agencies in Berlin & Brandenburg  
- Books, periodicals and other document types

**VÖBB Verbund der Öffentlichen Bibliotheken Berlins**  
(Union Catalogue of Berlin's Public Libraries)  
- All Public Libraries in Berlin, including the Zentral- und Landesbibliothek (ZLB) (Berlin Central and Regional Library)  
- Books, periodicals and other document types
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GVK Gemeinsamer Verbundkatalog (Common Union Catalogue) (North Germany)

- Libraries in 7 federal states, including the libraries of Stiftung Preußischer Kulturbesitz (Foundation of Prussian Cultural Heritage), e.g. Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin (SBB) (Berlin State Library), as well as the Library of Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities
- Books, periodicals and other document types

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