



RESEARCH AND STUDIES:

- VU Library coordinates the dissemination of scientific information and access to the scientific output of Vilnius University; it carries out scientific research.
- VU Library supports open access initiatives and contributes to the creation of an open science culture at VU.
- VU Library organises academic literacy training for members of the community (students and academic staff), and provides consultations to the VU community on the services and tools for the management of scientific information and communication, based on modern information technologies, that are available at universities in Lithuania and abroad.
- As a member of various national and international projects, as a member of various associations and consortia (COAR, Bibliotheca Baltica, Liber, CERL, LMBA, eLABA), VU Library ensures the application and implementation of advanced technological and methodological solutions in the Library's information infrastructure, as well as the availability of the necessary scientific outputs.

RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT FOR LEARNING:

- VU Library forms a fund of information resources that meets the needs of VU study programmes, research areas and the needs of the academic community.
- There are over 5 million physical documents stored in the shelves and repositories of the VU Library's open fund, and its users also have access to more than 300,000 digital documents. VU Library has a rich collection of rare prints, manuscripts and graphic works; the documented cultural heritage is being actively digitised and made available to the public on the Digital Collections Platform.
- In 2021, VU Library granted the public domain status to thousands of documents available in the Digital Collections.

- VU Library is an open and flexible space for study, research, work and communication. Everyone can find a workspace to suit their needs: silent workstations and individual cubicles, group work or seminar rooms, lounges or spaces for scientific conferences.

CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC HERITAGE:

- VU Library is the richest repository of old documents in Lithuania: it has the country's largest collections of incunabula and palaeotypes, a collection of old Lithuanian books (including unique publications such as the first Lithuanian book – the Catechism of Martynas Mažvydas), a rich collection of manuscripts, and a large collection of graphic works.
- VU Library carefully nurtures the unique scientific and cultural heritage of national and European importance accumulated over the centuries by preserving, restoring, researching, managing, digitising and opening it to the public.
- VU Library has a qualified staff in the field of research and heritage, trained in ancient languages, experienced in research and restoration of the document heritage, providing services to the VU community, the scientific community and the general public.
- Every year, VU Library opens its rich funds of scientific and cultural heritage to the general public, increases their dissemination and use by providing services, organising events, exhibitions, educational activities and other initiatives.
- The VU Library actively participates in projects and programmes dedicated to scientific and cultural heritage, carries out scientific research activities and promotes the preservation of scientific and cultural heritage.

