2018 Library highlights & key figures

1 million entries to the Library
80’395 document loans
284’196 searches in BEAST, the Library intelligent catalog
21’581 support requests at the Library hotline and helpdesks

CHF 195’498 invested in the Open Access publishing support.

Financial contribution to Gold Open Access publishing fees:
60 articles
1 data paper
3 conference papers
1 book
9 agreements with publishers to obtain discounts on publishing fees for EPFL authors.

PUBLISHING SUPPORT

RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT

69 RDM* support requests
25 DMP** preparations
49 DMP reviews

New practical tools:
- Cost calculator to estimate costs related to a good management of research data during a project.
- ERC DMP Template to help researchers filling their project application for H2020.

TRAINING

132 workshops, training and seminars
240 training hours

Participants:
1’926 BA-MA students
188 PhD students
158 researchers

Training offer enhancement:
- Software Carpentry seminar
- Introduction and advanced workshops on Research Data Management.
Collection development:

- Online collections: 7'642 new ebooks
- Print collections: 4'416 new books

Retrospective acquisitions to complete the online monograph collections:

- Springer Mathematics & Statistics
- Education series d’Aerospace Research Central - AIAA
- Bauwelt Fundamente (Birkhäuser)
- American Mathematical Society
- Society for Exploration Geophysicists (SEG)
- Series in Thermal & Fluid Physics & Engineering (BegellHouse)

New video game collection: a hundred games (Nintendo Switch, PlayStation 4 and Xbox One) to borrow, related to the fields of study and research at EPFL.


Mathematics, criminal sciences, management and science popularization print periodicals can now be borrowed.

EVENTS & COMMUNICATION

Exhibition and workshops "Data Detox : reprends le contrôle de tes données personnelles" from September 30 to October 25.

SPACES

New comfortable reading space installed during summer in the new Sciences et société area.

SOME 2019 PROJECTS

- PLUME: the new platform to access the digitized rare book collection of the Library.
- New practical tools for researchers: "Research Data Management" and "Publishing support" fast guides.
- Institutional research data repository at EPFL.

80 documentary information specialists took part to the event "Les bibliothèques académiques à l’heure de l’Open Science".

Online community:

- 5’305 followers on social networks
- 122’854 views on videos
- 233’006 sessions on the Library websites

* cumulative on December 31, 2018