

§1 Purpose

1. The Städelschule library is a research library whose collection focuses on fine arts, architecture, art theory and philosophy. It serves the information needs for teaching, learning and research, especially of its members and for the associates of the Städelschule.

2. The Library services cover information and research services, including access to library catalogues, internet resources and user support. The library lends media within the limits defined in the terms of use as well as hosting exhibitions.

3. Additionally, the library collects the publications of the members associated with the Städelschule.

4. With its wide range of resources, the library supports the unrestricted formation of opinion, plurality and freedom of access to information. We refuse any censorship of content and support the freedom of science (within the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Germany).

§2 General terms of use

1. The library is open to the public.

2. Borrowing privileges are available to students and staff of the Städelschule and those who have been granted permission to use the library resources.

3. External visitors may not take books out of the library building.

§3 Admission to Borrow Items

1. Every library user will be registered in the library's user database for borrowing and using special digital services. The student identity card of the Städelschule serves as a library card.

2. Library staff will provide an introduction to the library and its services for all library users. Registration is required for each individual library user with student identity card or employee identity card and is not transferable.

3. Registration activates a personal online library user account. Through this user account, users can view their data, extend loan periods or reserve items currently on loan.

4. Library users are required to inform the library of any change of address.

§4 Rules of Conduct

1. Library users are required to behave in a manner appropriate to an academic library and information center. Disorderly conduct is not allowed. Eating and smoking are prohibited in the library. Users may bring water in re-sealable containers. Wireless phones may only be used as silent data storage media; telephone calls are not permitted.

2. Coats and other outerwear, umbrellas and bags are to be left on the main floor of the library. At the request of library staff, library users may be required to show the contents of any bags, backpacks, etc.

3. No animals are allowed in the library.

4. The closed stack may only be accessed in duly justified cases and when a special permit has been obtained.

5. Taking photos, videos or tape recordings in library rooms requires the prior approval of the Head of the Library.

6. Library staff may enforce all rules and regulations of the library and shall have the right to exercise the domestic authority.

§5 Liability

1. All library media and equipment, including hardware and software, are to be handled with care. Library users are liable for any damages they may incur. In case of loss or damage, library users may only regain borrowing privileges (including renewals) after they have assumed all replacement or repair costs.

2. The user shall immediately report any loss or damage to library items. All users shall be held liable for compensation in the case of loss or damage (see §9).

3. Library users may not use borrowed materials for public performances or other public displays. In case of copyright violation or other illegal use of materials, the Städelschule will not be held liable.

§6 Borrowing

1. Library users will present the student identity card of the Städelschule to borrow or renew media.

2. Borrowed library materials may not be given to third parties. Library users assume all liability for borrowed materials. All loans must be returned prior to long-term absences.

3. Not all of the material in the library can be borrowed.

This material includes:

- Items in the reference section of the reading room (current issues of journals, literature for seminars)
- Valuable items or items older than 100 years, as well as artist's books. This material may only be used in the library.

§7 Lending terms

1. The terms of library loans are as follows:

- Four weeks for all library items.
- Books and journals may be renewed for up to three consecutive loan periods. Materials which have been reserved during the original loan period may not be renewed.
- DVDs may be renewed three times by two weeks in each case.

2. Library users are required to return borrowed materials at the latest on the last day of the loan period.

3. It is possible to extend the loan period if no other user has reserved the item. Loan renewals must primarily be made online via the personal user account. Alternatively, renewals can be made by e-mail, in person, or by telephone during opening hours.

4. If the loan period is exceeded without renewing, an extension, as well as further loan of media, is not possible and the account may be locked until the media are returned.

§8 Exclusion from Usage

Library users who act against the policy or repeatedly violate the regulations of the library, especially by repeatedly exceeding the loan period, may be excluded temporarily or permanently from using the library. In the case of the suspension of privileges the library user continues to be liable for debts owed.

§9 Fees

1. The use of the library is free.

2. In the event of loss or damage to any media, a replacement fee must be paid. This can be done by a compensation payment to the library or by a replacement of the media by the client.

3. Copying fees:

Students and staff of the Städelschule

Black/white copy: DIN A4: 2 Cent, DIN A3: 4 Cent

Colour copy: DIN A4: 10 Cent, DIN A3: 20 Cent

External users

Black/white copy: DIN A4: 4 Cent, DIN A3: 8 Cent

Colour copy: DIN A4: 20 Cent, DIN A3: 40 Cent

§10 Information

1. The Library will provide verbal and written information based on its catalogue and items on stock, whenever possible.

2. All other services, such as the compilation of bibliographies, documentation and information provision, including online research, made by the library staff, will incur a fee, to be calculated on a case by case basis.

§11 Reproduction

1. Copies for personal use may be made on site using the self-service system. The user has the responsibility to observe existing copyrights or rights to privacy when copying or reproducing from books or other materials.

2. The Library may exclude fragile items from being photocopied if this is necessary to protect the items.

§12 Technical Equipment

Whenever possible, the Library will provide the infrastructure for the use of digital documents, sound-carriers and audio visual media.

§13 Collection development

The Rector defines the library's collection development. Städelschule students, staff and library users may submit suggestions to the library.

§14 Data Protection

1. The Städelschule library collects and uses personal data about its users in accordance with the Data Protection law (EU General Data Regulation Protection EU-GDPR) to fulfil its purpose (user administration, lending). The library will not use personal data for other purposes, nor share it with a third party.

2. The library collects and stores the following personal data about its users: First name, surname, date of birth, gender, address, e-mail, user group. This personal data is deleted after graduation (student) or the end of employment (staff).

3. After two years inactivity the user account and personal data are automatically deleted. On deregistering from the library, there can be immediate deletion of personal data on request, in the case that no fees are outstanding.

4. The library processes data, such as borrowed or reserved media. These are deleted automatically with the return of borrowed media – no lending history is stored, unless this is requested.

5. You have at any time the right to ask for the personal data we hold about you, the source/origin, as well as the purpose of the data processing. You can also request to have the personal data we hold about you erased, to object to our use of your personal data, or to restrict the ways we use your personal data.

You also have the right to update or correct the personal information we hold about you. Where you have provided consent for us to use your personal information, you always have the right to withdraw your consent at any time.

6. Contact details data protection officer:
Email: datenschutz@staedelschule.de
Phone: 069-60500834

§15 Validity

These terms of use are valid as of 01.10.2024

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