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Postgraduate Student Guide to Library Services & Academic Databases

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Dear Postgraduate Students,

Welcome to the Department of History and Philosophy of Science (PHS) at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA)! To support your studies, research activities, and dissertation work, we have compiled this comprehensive reference guide detailing all digital tools, library services, operational hours, and physical locations serving our department.

Please note: The Library of the Department of PHS is part of the Central Library of the School of Science.

1. Essential Digital Library Portals

- **Central NKUA Libraries Portal:** Navigate the main gateway via lib.uoa.gr for general information, announcements or perform queries in the single unified catalog database.
- **School of Science Library Website:** Visit the official website at sci.lib.uoa.gr to stay updated on special schedules, news, and scientific services.
- **Off-Campus Access via VPN Client:** To have remote access to the full electronic text of subscription journals and academic databases, follow the step-by-step software installation manual provided by the NKUA Network Operations Center (NOC) at noc.uoa.gr/ypiresies/diatymatika-diktya/vpn/.
- **Pergamos Institutional Repository:** Search through archives of past doctoral or master's dissertations and find instructions according to how to deposit digitally your own thesis using the portal at pergamos.lib.uoa.gr.

2. Library Registration & Borrowing Rules

Account registration is mandatory to unlock physical lending privileges across all 9 School Libraries of the university network:

- **Online Membership Application:** Fill out the digital registration form via the School of Science Library Registration Page (sci.lib.uoa.gr/ypiresies/daneismos/eggrafi-meloys.html) using your standard institutional credentials (*UoA web-login*).
- **Lending Quotas:** As a postgraduate student, you are entitled to borrow **up to 5 books cumulatively** from across the entire NKUA library grid.

- **Lending Duration:** Books are issued for **10 calendar days**, with a right to **1 renewal** (for 10 extra days) provided the item is not already overdue or reserved by another reader.

3. Accessing Academic Databases & Research Portals

Subscription-based electronic items (scientific papers, book chapters, and journals) are **automatically unlocked** via institutional IP recognition whenever you are using the university network on campus. For remote work from home, access must be routed through your configured **VPN client** or authenticated via **Shibboleth** (by selecting NKUA as your home institution on the publisher's portal sign-in page).

The fundamental research platforms you will utilize during your curriculum include:

1. **HEAL-Link:** The master portal of the Hellenic Academic Libraries Link (www.heal-link.gr) that establishes open consortium access to thousands of journals across premier international publishers (such as Elsevier ScienceDirect, SpringerLink, and Wiley).
2. **Scopus & Web of Science:** Comprehensive structural citation and bibliographic index tools, ideal for mapping global scientific literature and tracking academic citations.
3. **Thesaurus Linguae Graecae (TLG):** The premiere digital library containing virtually all surviving Greek texts from antiquity to the Byzantine era (stephanus.tlg.uci.edu). *Important Note:* Utilizing the TLG Platform from home requires an active VPN connection **plus a free personal account registration** created directly on their site.
4. **Specialized History & Philosophy Indices:** Access the central library catalog to search niche global indexes like **PhilPapers** (essential for the Philosophy of Science and Epistemology) and **JSTOR** (for extensive historical archival material and source documentation).

4. Contacts, Hours & Locations

Library / Unit	Hours & Contact Channels	Physical Address & Maps
Department of PHS Library	• Mon-Fri: 09:00 - 15:00 • Email: mithe@lib.uoa.gr	Angelikis Panagiotatou Street, Zografou Campus (opposite the G' FEPA student residence building). <i>Map search: Library of the Department of History and Philosophy of Science NKUA</i>
Central School of Science Library	• Mon-Fri: 08:00 - 18:00 • <i>Pergamos Desk:</i> 08:30 - 15:00 • Email: sci@lib.uoa.gr	Spyridonos Champa Street, Zografou Campus, standalone 4-story facility (positioned centrally between the Physics and Mathematics buildings).

Have a great academic year!

Best regards,

From the PHS Library staff
Georgia and Tasos!