# The University Library in 2018

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## Outline of UB business information 2018

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<th>Category</th>
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<td>Number of participants for instructions</td>
<td>7,939</td>
<td>9,691</td>
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<td>Searches in library databases</td>
<td>1,895,009</td>
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<td>Number of requested electronic items</td>
<td>3,018,430</td>
<td>3,805,875</td>
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<td>Number of researchers aided by RDM</td>
<td>185</td>
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<td>Number of open-access publications in the Radboud Repository</td>
<td>44,651</td>
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## Improvements to RUQuest

The RUQuest study provided additional insight into user needs and problems. Many improvements have been implemented. Our clients are becoming more familiar with the search system.

## Project ‘Op Weg naar één Collectie’ (Towards one collection)

27 collections in the Central Library have been brought together into one using the classification system of the Library of Congress (LCC). This will make it easier to find one’s way around the collections.

## More Workstations in the Library of Science

A redesign has created additional student workstations. Individual standing workstations have been set up at the front desk. A total of 25 extra locations were added.

## Relocation of Nijmegen School of Management Library and Faculty of Social Sciences Library

The staff of Nijmegen School of Management Library are now located in the Elinor Ostrom building. Colleagues from the Faculty of Social Sciences Library ended the year in the former administrative building on the Comeniuslaan.

## RU Open Access Journal Browser

For each journal, the browser will provide information about the options for Open Access publishing. This is often free or discounted.

## Information Desk for Scientists Regarding OA and RDM Developments

In 2020, all Dutch scientific publications should be globally accessible free of charge. The University Library assists by providing presentations and advice.

## Evaluation of Policy Plan 2015-2020

To achieve the objectives set in the policy plan, a few interim adjustments will need to be made. Among other things, the definition and positioning of the product teams have changed.

## Abolition of Fines

Fines for overdue books have been abolished. However, borrowers who return their books late are prohibited from borrowing materials.

## Visible Heritage

A strategic plan has been drawn up to make Radboud University’s Special Collections available to the public.

## Google Books

In collaboration with Google Books and the National Library, the University Library and KDC have digitised over 6,000 unique titles from their special collections.

## Exhibitions

The UB has collaborated on the exhibition The New Marshall Plan Europe 1948/2018. The UB digitised an exceptional amount of special materials for the exhibit of the prayer book of Mary of Guelders in the Valkhofmuseum.