Abstract (in English)

The master thesis describes formation and activities of the Geographical Library of the Faculty of Science of the Charles University in Prague (http://www.natur.cuni.cz/geografie/knihovna/). The thesis deals with the formation of the library in the 1880s and outlines its development to the present. The focus of this work is to describe the current situation and outline the anticipated direction of the library's development in the coming years.

Emphasis is placed on the growing importance of the Geographical Library as one of the most distinctive information institutes of the Faculty of Science, as well as the gradual introduction and use of new technologies and finally on cooperation with other information and academic institutions. In addition, all the program units (that are in use in the library) of the automated library system Aleph 500 are described. The author also focuses on the description of services, divided into basic and complementary, which the Geographical Library provides for professionals and general public. This work also provides information on projects, in which library participates, especially the Czech Geographical Bibliography Online. In the future, Geographical Library intends to pursue the digitalization and preservation of the library collection as well as further improvement of the library services and collaboration on projects.

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