

Dear first years,

Before the start of every semester, the Education Officer of Itiwana collects a list of books CADS students are required to buy for the courses. I contacted the lecturers, and after their comments the list got put on Studystore. And as a result, you can buy **new books for the lowest price**, with 14% discount compared to their normal prices. Itiwana receives a small percentage of the total revenue, because of a deal with Studystore. A win-win situation :)

This means that you can buy your books through us with a discount, at the lowest price, with an overview of what the lecturers require you to purchase. The book sale website can be found here: <https://itiwana.itdepartment.nl/en>

Membership

In order to receive the actual discount, you need to become a member of Itiwana. The amount of euros saved from the discount this semester exceeds the cost of membership by a lot. So becoming a member saves you money! What the membership consists of besides this discount, such as the ability to come to all our activities (educational, social or party-ish), join a committee, and lots of other stuff, will become clear during the first weeks of the semester. (Keep in mind that we are a **study** association, not a student association. We, also compared to other study associations, are characterised by informal stuff and inclusion: we don't want people to feel left out, or have social hierarchies in our organisation. And within the membership, nothing is obliged.)

You can read more about becoming a member of Itiwana [here](#), and sign-up through [this form](#).

Book sale practicalities

If you order your books, they will be sent to your home address. Previous years we had them delivered at our little room in the faculty, The Hok, but due to COVID this won't be possible and since then Studystore does not deliver in bulk at the university anymore. Therefore, shipping costs will be added. Within the Netherlands this is €1.95. Outside of the Netherlands it's €9.95, which sucks. But considering the discount, it is still worth it if you want to buy new, unused books.

In the past years there have been delays in delivering the books. Studystore is fully responsible for delays and the processing of orders; itiwana is a point of contact, where we make the book list and put it into a store. Studystore does the rest! If something goes wrong, please contact both me (email address attached below) and Studystore (<https://www.studystore.nl/contact>)

Second-hand Books

There is also an option to buy books from older students. We have a WhatsApp group where people can get in touch with each other when they want to sell/buy books. You can join the group here: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/BQC5P5wpmjiDb0dBb1txP6>

I hope you feel informed enough about the book sale! If you have any further questions, email to education@itiwana.org. :)

Kind regards,
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