SECURITY AND SAFETY

Don’t admit anyone to the Library unless you are certain s/he is a College member. If you are in any doubt contact Library staff or a Porter.

Keep aisles clear of bags, books and clothes.

Use a kickstep, not a chair, to reach books on higher shelves, and use the large stepladder to retrieve books from upper shelves on the Ground Floor.

Leave all food and drink outside, other than water in sealable containers.

Make sure you know where the Fire Exits are and what to do in an emergency.

Keep valuables with you. If you are leaving any books and papers behind, make sure they are neatly stacked with a Books in use slip on top. Items apparently abandoned will be placed in a Lost Property box and, if left unclaimed, will be disposed of at the end of each term.

Please observe Library regulations and keep within copyright restrictions when photocopying and using electronic resources.

Although the Library’s priority is to support the studies of Selwyn undergraduate students, you will find that judicious use of your College borrowing allowance will give you greater scope in your borrowing from your Faculty and the University Library.

Graduate students also appreciate our quiet study spaces, generous opening hours and friendly atmosphere.

Our 5,000 rare books (mostly theology) and items in our special collection of Victorian church and missionary history are all listed on our online catalogue. You are welcome to contact the Library for more information.

The College Archives may be useful for your research. Please contact the Archivist (archivist@sel.cam.ac.uk).

Please see our website for further information.

Follow us!
Searching the catalogue

Use Library Search
http://search.lib.cam.ac.uk/ or the quicklink from our webpage.

Use LibrarySearch+ for online articles

For browsing please check the list on the noticeboard by the entrance desk and information on the ends of the bookstacks.

You can borrow up to 12 items:
- books for 8 weeks
- DVDs for 2 weeks

How to borrow

Take the books/DVDs to the entrance desk and use your University card to log in to the self-issue machine. Follow the instructions on screen.

If the security alarm sounds as you exit please return to the desk. Note the details in the Incident Book, and try reissuing the items. If there is still a problem please complete a paper loan slip and leave it in the tray. Staff will add the items to your record and email confirmation.

Returning / Renewing

Three days before what you borrowed is due back a reminder email will be sent to your @cam address. As soon as you get the reminder, please act.

To return items, post them carefully into the brown box at the foot of the stairs. (Don't put books in there that belong to other libraries.) This box is emptied at least once each weekday in Term, at which point anything you borrowed will be taken off your account.

To renew items or check your account use your smartphone (see below) or the quick link to your account on our webpage.

If you receive a Not renewed message onscreen, either an item has been reserved by another reader, in which case you must return it immediately, or you have reached the number of renewals permitted (5 for books, 1 for DVDs).

In this case please bring it to the Library Office to have it returned and reissued.

Fines

Anything you return or renew after the due date will incur a fine. This is charged at 25p per item per day; recalled items at 50p per item per day. You will be notified by email if you have a fine. You can leave the sum to be added to your College bill, or call in at the office to pay it.

If you pass anything borrowed on your account to someone else it is still your responsibility. Your friend can switch it to his/her Selwyn account by borrowing it at the desk, it needn't be returned to the library first.

The Library in your pocket:

http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/toolbox/camlib.html

Manage your account, search library collections and much more from your smartphone.

Check our webpages for
- Full details about using the Library
- Recalls and reservations
- Request form to suggest new purchases

Call in or email the office, especially if you
- Can't find what you want in the Library
- Are looking for journal articles or online materials
- Want to know more about other libraries

And you can ...
- Borrow from our GUS books - novels, biographies, cooking, etc. They are in the centre aisle downstairs.
- Buy bargain books, only 25p each.
- Admire our giant teaspoon!

For information about all Cambridge University Libraries and their resources:
http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/libraries/