

Medical School and Barnes Library appeal

The 21st Century Medical School

Our continuing transformation of the Birmingham Medical School to provide the very best quality teaching and learning conditions puts us at the forefront of pedagogical techniques and makes us a top choice for outstanding students. With the help of alumni and supporters, we have now completed the Wolfson Centre for Medical Education, the Leonard Deacon Lecture Theatre and state-of-the-art Prosectorium for anatomy teaching.


As part of the next phase of improvement of teaching and research facilities in the College of Medical and Dental Sciences, we will radically improve the Medical School foyer and Barnes Library ground floor - redeveloping them to meet the needs and demands of the students of the future.

The combination of rejuvenated facilities, a range of scholarship programmes, and world-class research, ensures that the best students, with the talent and potential to succeed, choose Birmingham.

The refurbishment will provide a reception and display area that recognises our long and proud history of medical and dental education, practice and scientific discovery, and the generations of medical and dental professionals on which the College's success has been built.

We will transform the ground floor of the library into an innovative 'hub' for all student services with visible and accessible student welfare support services and confidential meeting rooms, flexible study areas with WiFi access, and space for informal and formal student group working, including the latest IT and audiovisual facilities.

The ground floor will remain the gateway to library services and our collections for the hundreds of students who use them every day. This project will be the beginning of a process of redeveloping our library spaces in line with the changing needs of our students today and in the future.

 Professor Lawrence Young, Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Head of College of Medical and Dental Sciences "This redevelopment will augment the considerable improvements made to the Medical School over the last six years, allowing us to recognise and build on the achievements of generations of medical professionals, and equipping us for the century to come"

This transformative project will be complete by 2011.

How you can help

The total cost of this project is £2 million.

The College of Medical and Dental Sciences and the University are together committing £500,000 to the project, in addition to a single, extremely generous donation of £416,000 from Dr Doug Ellis OBE.

We need a further £1.1 million if we are to complete this much-needed refurbishment.

To do this, we hope that our alumni, friends and supporters will help us by supporting the Medical School foyer and Barnes Library ground floor refurbishment project which is part of the University's [Circles of Influence \(/alumni/giving/circlesofinfluence/oldindex.aspx\)](#) Campaign.

[Every gift makes a difference \(/alumni/giving/whygive.aspx\)](#)

Since 1999, over 800 alumni made gifts to the College of Medical and Dental Sciences, which together totalled over £2.7 million.

The impact of collective giving is truly transformational!

Please help us provide the very best facilities for our students and staff to go forth and transform lives by [making a gift \(/https://bhamalumni.org/NetCommunity/SSLPage.aspx?pid=210&frcrid=1\)](#) today.