

## Supporting your faith

Birmingham is a secular university, but respects all faiths and provides opportunities for prayer. In our multi-faith Chaplaincy people of all faiths and those interested in world religions are invited to take part in a varied programme of events, worship and activities.

Our Chaplaincy, in St Francis Hall, next to the Guild of Students houses two large worship rooms, a small room for quiet prayer or meetings and a large lounge and kitchen facilities. On our Selly Oak campus, the Selly Oak Chapel is open during the day for prayer and reflection.

### Support from our chaplains



If you need support or have a question, a team of full and part-time chaplains from a diverse range of faiths are available every week day during term time. They are prepared to talk with you in a relaxed atmosphere and extend a warm welcome to all, regardless of religious belief or background.

### What do we mean by 'chaplain' and 'chaplaincy'?

A **chaplain** is an ordained minister of any religious denomination who works for an institution such as a university, hospital or prison service rather than within their specific faith-based organisation. They look after the religious and spiritual needs of all those who attend the particular institution. At Birmingham we employ a number of full-time and part-time chaplains.

**Chaplaincy** is the term we use at the University to describe the place where our chaplains work and can also refer to the buildings where worship or other faith events take place. As our chaplains come from many different faith backgrounds, Birmingham has a **Multi-faith Chaplaincy**.