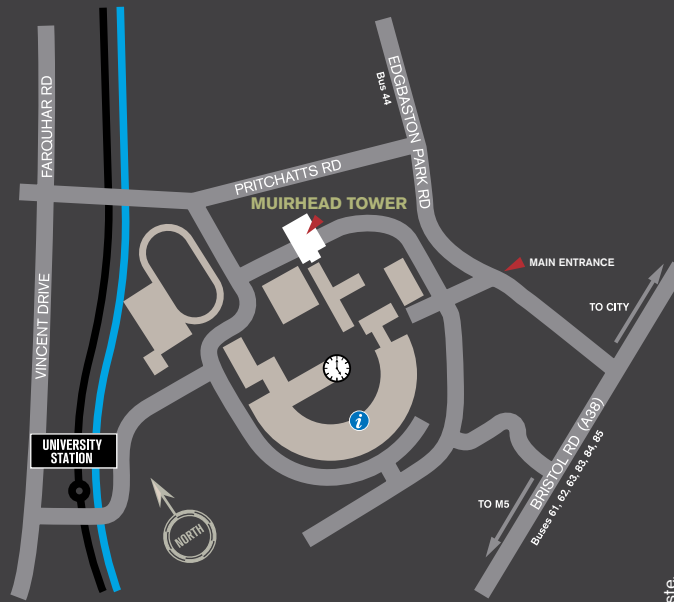




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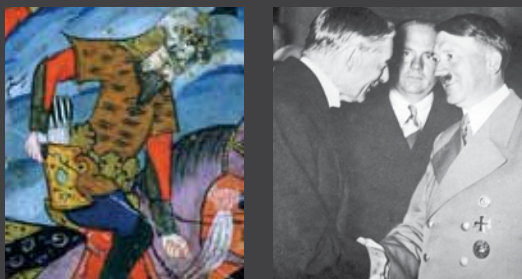
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The Cadbury Research Library is responsible for directly supporting the University's research, learning and teaching agenda, along with supporting the national and international research community. We welcome all interested researchers to explore and enjoy the unique collections held by the University of Birmingham.



Highlights of our manuscript and archive collections include:

- The Mingana Collection of Middle Eastern Manuscripts: Designated as a collection of National and International outstanding importance;
- The Church Missionary Society: contains the earliest recorded documents from pioneering explorations into Africa or Asia;
- The Avon Papers: papers belonging to and about the life of Anthony Eden (Prime Minister 1955–1957), including material on the Suez Crisis;
- The Chamberlain Collection: the papers of Neville Chamberlain (Prime Minister 1937–1940), Joseph Chamberlain (Founder of the University), and Austen Chamberlain, including letters describing Neville Chamberlain's meetings with Hitler;
- The Noel Coward Collection;
- The Soviet posters collection;
- The University's own archive collection representing all aspects of the heritage of the University.

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- The Hensleigh Wedgwood (1803–1891) collection, an important philologist, grandson of Josiah Wedgwood and cousin and brother-in-law of Charles Darwin. Includes Johann Schilter's monumental folio celebration of Germanic culture Thesaurus Antiquitatum (Ulm, 1728).
- A number of significant parish libraries dating from the 16th century;
- Major collections relating to the history of printing including publications from John Baskerville, the Kelmscott Press, the Birmingham School of Printing, and the Italian printer, Giambattista Bodoni of Parma.



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- Lockers
- Use of digital cameras
- Microfilm/fiche readers and printing
- Reprographics
- Use of laptops
- Reading room PC's
- Refreshments – ground floor Muirhead Tower
- Toilets