Hughes Hall Library FAQs

I am leaving Cambridge. May I take the Hughes Hall library books which are on loan to me?

Yes, please do. Library staff are extending all existing Hughes Hall loans to be due back on 8 June 2020. Books will have to be returned in due course, but please let library staff know by emailing library@hughes.cam.ac.uk if you need loans extended further.

Is the Hughes Hall library open?

The library is now closed. If you need to return books the books drop box is in the library’s entrance foyer.

Library staff are working remotely, and may be contacted by emailing library@hughes.cam.ac.uk

Where else may I study in college?

Most other areas of college will now be available, and if so you are welcome to use them: Pavilion Atrium, Pavilion Room, Seminar Room A, Pfeiffer Room, Maletin Room and Peter Richards Room.

In order to comply with the Government guidelines we ask you to respect the rule of no more that two people gathering in one room at a time and keeping a distance of 2 metres. Staff on site will monitor this requirements.

Are other libraries open?

The University Library and Faculty and Departmental Libraries are closed. There is a useful FAQs on the University Library’s website.

The University Library is open online and making more electronic resources available every day to students and staff

https://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/research/librarysearch/university-libraries-are-all-open-online

Can I access electronic resources from outside Cambridge?

Yes, many of the University’s electronic resources will be available to you. Please make sure that you log in to iDiscover when conducting searches, in order to be able to see what is available.

Can I make requests for the books I need?

If books are on loan, you cannot currently place requests via iDiscover, as requests cannot be placed during the vacation. In the present exceptional circumstances, this may continue next term. If there are books you need, please let library staff know by emailing library@hughes.cam.ac.uk or filling in an online book request form. We may be able to order books for you in certain circumstances.
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