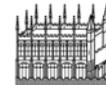


As the University of Oxford aims to lead the world in research and education, so the Bodleian Libraries aim to support the University in its mission by providing a world-leading library service.



Bodleian Libraries
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Mission Statement

The mission of the Bodleian Libraries is to provide an excellent service to support the learning, teaching and research objectives of the University of Oxford; and to develop and maintain access to Oxford's unique collections for the benefit of scholarship and society.

Strategies

Collections

- Acquire books, articles, source materials and special collections in all formats and across all disciplines to support teaching and research and to preserve cultural and scientific heritage
- Care for the Libraries' collections
- Improve the accessibility of materials through cataloguing, digitization, publication and academic initiatives
- Support the curation, preservation and accessibility of research data generated by the University

Service & Staff

- Provide a well-informed staff able to help readers and other users receive the best possible service
- Collaborate with academics and students to support and contribute to research, teaching and learning
- Support the professional development of library staff through training, best practice and innovation

Digital Initiatives

- Develop digital services that benefit research, teaching and learning
- Provide a robust digital infrastructure that supports innovative services
- Expand access to content using established and emerging platforms
- Help shape legislation and policies relating to digital resources

Library Spaces

- Ensure our spaces meet our readers' requirements
- Care for and enhance historic library spaces

Communication

- Understand the needs of readers and other users through consultation and analysis of data and feedback
- Communicate news, policies and services in a clear and timely manner

Outreach

- Promote the Bodleian's collections to a wide audience through exhibitions, events, publications, tours, products and other initiatives
- Use digital technologies to share the collections
- Contribute to local, national and international cultural life

Governance

- Manage the Bodleian Libraries' resources effectively & safely
- Secure funds and generate income to further the work of the Libraries and the University
- Maintain a strong leadership role in the international library sector
- Pursue partnerships and shared initiatives with academics and organisations to mutual benefit and in support of the University's mission

We welcome feedback. Please pass any comments to your Faculty, Departmental or Divisional Committee on Library Provision and Strategy (CLiPS), or email bodleys.librarian@bodleian.ox.ac.uk

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