Haddon Library of Anthropology and Archaeology

Welcome! The Haddon Library, founded in 1883, is an important collection of published material in the fields of Anthropology and Archaeology (including Egyptology and Assyriology). The library holds around 80,000 items – books, journal volumes, pamphlets – and serves the staff, research students and undergraduates of the University, together with members of the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, with books on reading lists, study spaces, research resources, skills classes and purchase of electronic content such as ebooks.

This handout is a narrative guide to the Haddon Library and resources on its website https://www.haddon.lib.cam.ac.uk/

Opening Hours

Term-time opening is Monday-Friday 08:45-17:15. We are closed on weekends. During vacations, we are open Monday-Friday 09:00-17:00, closed weekends.

Contacting Us

Feel free to contact us to ask a question. Our email address is haddon@lib.cam.ac.uk and our phone number is 01223 339374. Staff members are Dr Meg Westbury (Librarian), Tom Hawthorn (Senior Library Assistant) and Dr Ian Trowell (Library Assistant).

Borrowing and Fines

- **Undergraduates**: 10 books for 1 week (loans automatically renew each month)
- **Graduates**: 20 books for 2 weeks (loans automatically renew each month)
- **Staff**: 20 books for 4 weeks (loans automatically renew each month)

Cambridge University Libraries do not charge fines for overdue or recalled books (though short-loan books may incur fines).

Finding Books

The main library catalogue is called iDiscover https://idiscover.lib.cam.ac.uk/. You can use iDiscover to search for books and ebooks and limit the library to ‘Archaeology & Anthropology: Haddon Library.’ A complete guide to using iDiscover and Cambridge Libraries is available on the Library Essentials Guide https://libguides.cam.ac.uk/libraryessentials. At the end of this handout is a guide to the shelving systems we use at the Haddon Library, but we are always happy to help you find books on the shelves!

Cambridge Libraries

Cambridge has many other libraries you might find helpful – college libraries, faculty and departmental libraries and the central Cambridge University Library (always called the UL).

- **College libraries** are for college members only and have books on reading lists, great work spaces and often skills classes
- **Faculty and departmental libraries** admit most Cambridge University members, but have a variety of regulations and opening hours. They have books on reading lists, research materials, skills classes, etc.
- **The UL** admits all members of the University and has specialised research materials

The Cambridge Libraries Gateway https://www.libraries.cam.ac.uk has an extensive overview of the landscape of Cambridge libraries, and the Cambridge Libraries Directory has a complete list of the over 100 libraries at Cambridge.
Accessibility

We strive to make the Haddon Library accessible to all. Our Accessibility page at https://www.haddon.lib.cam.ac.uk/about-the-library/accessibility has information about wheeled access to the building, help with books and loans, bespoke tours and other services. For information about accessibility across all Cambridge Libraries, please see the Libraries Accessibility Guide at https://libguides.cam.ac.uk/accessibility

Study Spaces

At the Haddon Library, there are 50 spaces for you to work at: 42 in the main reading room and 8 upstairs in the McBurney room. There is strong wifi throughout the library and electrical outlets on or near all tables. You can find other great places to work in Cambridge using Spacefinder https://spacefinder.lib.cam.ac.uk/

Reading Lists

You will find many of your reading lists on Reading Lists Online http://readinglists.lib.cam.ac.uk/ If you do not find your reading lists there, they are likely on your department’s Moodle site.

Classes and Skills Support

The Haddon Library offers a wide-range of classes throughout the year aimed at enhancing knowledge of crucial research skills and strategies https://www.haddon.lib.cam.ac.uk/about-the-library/classes. We also are always happy to offer bespoke 1-to-1 consultations or training sessions for specific courses or contexts. Please contact us with ideas and requests.

Dissertations

You can access student dissertations in Anthropology and Archaeology via the Haddon Library. You can find lists of available dissertations on our website https://www.haddon.lib.cam.ac.uk/collections/dissertations. When you find a dissertation that you’d like to read, request it via email or at the front desk. Recently completed PhD theses are available via Apollo https://www.repository.cam.ac.uk/, the university repository. You can also search for the full text of PhD theses across the UK using EThOS https://ethos.bl.uk/

Fiction Collection

In the main reading room, we have a borrowable collection of approximately 100 fiction books on anthropological and archaeological themes, including speculative fiction and works by indigenous authors.

Research Support

These tools are excellent starting places for finding books and articles on your research topic. You can find links to them on our webpage https://www.haddon.lib.cam.ac.uk/research-support We also are always happy to help you find articles or answer any of your research questions.

- **iDiscover**: iDiscover is an excellent starting place for finding scholarly articles. Make sure to first click the middle radio-button at the top of the page for ‘Articles and online resources.’
- **LibGuide for Archaeology and Anthropology**: A list of excellent starting places for finding Archaeology and Anthropology literature, as well as pointers to Archaeology/Anthropology collections at the university and guides on preferred referencing styles
- **Databases A-Z**: A searchable list of the 1500+ scholarly databases (articles, news, film, archives, statistics, etc.) that Cambridge subscribes to
- **BrowZine**: BrowZine gives you the ability to browse journals by titles and subject areas of relevance to you. Fully integrated with Cambridge databases. Works great on mobile devices
- **ArchiveSearch**: ArchiveSearch provides access to finding aids and links to digital records for the majority of archives located in the city of Cambridge
Tours

We are always happy to arrange bespoke tours. Please email or call the library to arrange. On our website, we also have a two-minute video tour of the library that takes you around the library space and explains our various services.

Haddon Library Classification

(Written by Aidan Baker, Haddon Librarian 1982-2020)

1. Bliss

Below is an outline of the Bliss classification scheme, as used in most of the Haddon. If you are eager to browse at the shelves rather than look for books by way of catalogues, here is a wheeze that you may find helpful: think of the place.

In Social Anthropology and Archaeology, most of the time, we shelve books first and foremost according to geographical area.

In Social Anthropology, for example, a book about the press in India is going to be somewhere in the range KVO-KVT (Asia and the Pacific); a book about amateur music-making in England is going to be somewhere in the range KVD-KVN (Europe). In Archaeology, a book about Stonehenge will be in the range LAE-LAN (places in Europe [prehistory]); a book about the Zimbabwe ruins will be in OX-OZ (Africa).

Think of the place is not an absolute rule. Some books can’t be tied down to particular places. In Social Anthropology, you’ll find most of those books in the range K-KU. In Archaeology, they’ll be at L-LAD.

Then there are the anomalies. In Social Anthropology, we stick by the decision of the previous Haddon Librarian, that books on women’s studies go at KNW rather than by country. In Archaeology, we have to grit our teeth at the complexities which period divisions and country divisions have done to each other.

With those caveats in mind, however, we reckon that the arrangement is both simple and sensible.

Books acquired since September 2017 are arranged according to the Library of Congress classification (which also uses letters – see page 5). You can distinguish Bliss from Library of Congress by the fact that a typical Bliss shelfmark is mostly letters, and includes a verbal extension based usually on the author’s name (e.g. LAH D [bro]).

A philosophy

AM mathematics

AX statistics

G zoology

GGE evolution

GHT animal behaviour

GQQ primates

H human biology

HBP biochemistry

HFN genetics

HP pathology
### 2. Ancient Near East Classification

This is used for the books in *Egyptology and Assyriology* stored in the McBurney Room.

- 100-199 Egypt, Nubia, Sudan
- 200-399 Egyptian literature
- 500 Graeco-Roman world: general history
- 540 Nubia: language, grammars & dictionaries
- 600-610 Assyria, Mesopotamia
- 620 History of western Asia
- 650-690 Archaeology and art of western Asia
• 700-770  Ancient language and literature of western Asia

3. Library of Congress Classification

Since October 2017, all new books coming into the Haddon have been given shelfmarks from the Library of Congress classification. Books with Congress shelfmarks can be found in two areas of the library:

• In the main reading room, they’re on the shelves in the north-west corner, facing you as you enter the room from the lobby office.

• In the McBurney Room, they’re in bay 123, on the wooden shelves towards the northwest corner – the corner furthest from the door you’d normally enter by.

Here’s an outline of the Library of Congress scheme. You can distinguish Congress from Bliss (which also uses letters – see pages 3-4) by the fact that a typical Congress shelfmark starts with two letters, contains a lot of numbers, and ends with a date (e.g. BF1753 .M3813 2018).

A -- GENERAL WORKS
B -- PHILOSOPHY. PSYCHOLOGY. RELIGION
C -- AUXILIARY SCIENCES OF HISTORY
  CC -- ARCHAEOLOGY
D -- WORLD HISTORY AND HISTORY OF EUROPE, ASIA, AFRICA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, ETC.
E -- HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS
F -- HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS
G -- GEOGRAPHY. ANTHROPOLOGY. RECREATION
  GN -- ANTHROPOLOGY (including physical anthropology)
H -- SOCIAL SCIENCES
J -- POLITICAL SCIENCE
K -- LAW
L -- EDUCATION
M -- MUSIC AND BOOKS ON MUSIC
N -- FINE ARTS
P -- LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
Q -- SCIENCE
R -- MEDICINE
S -- AGRICULTURE
T -- TECHNOLOGY
U -- MILITARY SCIENCE
V -- NAVAL SCIENCE
Z -- BIBLIOGRAPHY. LIBRARY SCIENCE. INFORMATION RESOURCES (GENERAL)
Plan of Main Reading Room
Plan of the McBurney Room

Entrance from lobby staircase

To Librarian’s office

Distribution board cupboard

COURTYARD

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Bays 46-48. Journals, Staircar to Thracia-Dacia

Bays 62-65

Bays 32-33. Journals, Memoirs to Monographs

Bays 29-27. Journals, IWGA to Journal

Bays 21-22. Journals, Field to Gallia

Bays 16-17. Journals, Boreno to Communications

Bays 31. Journals, Medieval to Medieval

Bays 34-40. Journals, Papers to Proceedings

Bays 36. Old example, fees, journals, Oriental

Bays 41. Journals, Proceedings to Proceedings

Bays 58-61. Ancient Near East, oversize volumes


Bays 74-77. Ancient Near East Journals, Revue to Zelhers's books

Bays 82-85. Ancient Near East Journals, Zelhers’s books 100.1.1-115.10

Bays 86-89. Ancient Near East books, 115.11-161.4-3


Bays 94-97. Ancient Near East books, 169.13-169.15


Bays 106-107. Ancient Near East books, 400-407.4 (also bay 125)

Bays 55-57. Journals, Yale to Zephyrus

Bays 61-64. Journals, Vestnik to Worcestershire

Bays 66-69. Ancient Near East, Aida to Bulletin


Bays 113-113. Ancient Near East books, 660.1.3-698

Bays 102-111. Ancient Near East books, 660.46-660.57

Bays 712.3-710. 115 (see also bay 125)

Bays 49-50. Journals, Transactions to Transactions, Assyrian & Akkadian dictionaries & grammars

Bays 51-52. Journals, Transactions to Vestnik

Bays 53-54. Journals, Transactions to Vestnik

Bays 55-57. Journals, Yale to Zephyrus

Bays 65-68. Ancient Near East, Aida to Bulletin


Bays 74-77. Ancient Near East Journals, Revue to Zelhers’s books

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