



ST. HUGH'S COLLEGE, OXFORD

MULTI-FAITH PRAYER ROOM GUIDELINES

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Multi-Faith Prayer Room Guidelines

This space has been provided for St Hugh's College students of all religious viewpoints or none, or of agnostic views, to use for private prayer of all faiths, and for peaceful contemplation, meditation, and healthy quiet time.

Please see below for the list of guidelines for the use of this multi-faith prayer and quiet room, which has been put together to benefit everyone who shares this space. By using this room, you are agreeing to comply with these guidelines.

1. **This multi-faith prayer and quiet room is a silent, mixed-gender and mixed-faith space for all students of the College. A maximum number of 2 people may use this space at the same time.**
2. **It is a space for quiet prayer and contemplation for individual use, not for group use.**
3. **Users of this space must respect these rules:**
 - Please keep the room tidy and accessible.
 - Please do not remove or add items of furniture.
 - If you wish to use any personal items of religious practice (including written materials, pictures or other objects), afterwards please take them away with you or place them in the cupboard provided.
 - Signs point the way to North, South, East, and West
 - Do not prevent others using the room for long periods.
 - Please keep noise to a minimum. Music, chanting and singing are not permitted in this room.
 - If you wish to take off your shoes, kindly place them on the shoe rack provided.
 - No eating or drinking.
 - No general conversations; this is a space for silent prayer and contemplation. If you are waiting outside the door, please also remain quiet so the noise doesn't travel into the prayer room.
 - No mobile phone calls or use of other devices, unless specifically for prayer.
 - No collecting of money without permission from the College.
 - No candles, incense or naked flames of any kind are to be used.
 - No leafleting.
 - People outside of the College, notably invited speakers, are not allowed to use this space as a platform for speeches or talks of any kind.

If you have any questions about the policy of this room, or note any additional resources needed, please contact the Chaplain, chaplain@st-hughs.ox.ac.uk Room 17 ground floor MGA corridor