

Multi faith and quiet contemplation room FAQs

Where is the MFQC room?

The multi-faith and quiet contemplation rooms are situated at Jenner Wing, 1st Floor, by staircase 20.

When is the MFQCR open?

08.00 hours – 22:00 hours (23:00 by agreement in summer months), seven days a week during the university's academic year only. Outside of these times, the rooms are locked.

Who can use the room?

Current staff and students of all faiths and no faith. Currently Christians, Hindus, Jews, Muslims and Sikhs all use the room.

How can I book it?

There are three rooms: the large room, room 1 and room 2. Anyone may book the large room or room 1 if they are a current member of staff or current student at the university. The Interfaith Forum agrees dates in advance for the following term to ensure the space is used fairly. However, please do contact the E&D Adviser if you would like to make a booking, email rrowe@squl.ac.uk or phone: 0605

Can I just drop in?

Room 2 may be used for quiet contemplation at any time during opening hours, no booking is required.

Can I book it for events with external speakers?

No. The rooms are for prayer, meditation and quiet contemplation only.

You may wish to organise an event to support interfaith-dialogue or invite an external speaker. In such cases rooms are available within the University and event organisers should follow the 'Guidance for all external speakers and visitors', available on the E&D pages of the website; http://www.sgul.ac.uk/about-us/governance/equality-and-diversity/religion-and-belief.

Can I invite people to attend who are not current staff and students?

The rooms are provided for current staff and students of the university. External guests are permitted but must be <u>formally</u> invited to visit the multifaith and quiet contemplation rooms by the event organiser. The event organiser must always be a current member of staff or current student at the university. For more information see the MFQCR Protocol on the E&D pages and within the IF rooms.

Where can I perform ablutions before prayers?

Ablutions may be carried out in any washroom within the university but must be carried out with consideration for other users please see the Protocol for the Multifaith and Quiet Contemplation Room.