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The Library is situated in the University's **Cornerstone Building**.

An attractive, modern facility, we offer a wide range of study environments (social, group, quiet, silent), services and facilities. In the 2017 *BGU Student Satisfaction Survey* **97%** of respondents said they were satisfied or very satisfied with Library Services overall, and **98%** with the help and guidance provided by our staff.

Holdings include approximately 142,000 **physical resources** and a wide variety of **online resources**, with access to around 70 online databases, over 28,000 full-text journals, thousands of e-books and millions of individual journal articles. The Library has a number of **special collections** including a *Teaching Resources Collection* of approximately 23,000 items, a *Lincolnshire Collection* of approximately 4,000 items, and the *Lincoln Mystery Plays Archive*.

Our membership numbers approximately **3,500**, of which around 90% are current staff and students. The remainder are external borrowers, including students from BGU's partner colleges in the further education sector. The student body is a mixture of **undergraduates** and **postgraduates**, ranging from Foundation Degree to Doctoral level.

In 2013 ours became the first library in the UK, and only the second in Europe, to use OCLC's cloud-based library management system, **WorldShare Management Services (WMS)**. At the same time we implemented other OCLC products: **WorldCat** as our catalogue, **Knowledge Base** as our resource discovery tool and **EZProxy** as our authentication service. We introduced **LibGuides** in 2015 and launched the University's research repository, **BG Research Online**, in 2016.

The Library is open until **midnight** for seven days a week during term time and is staffed by a team of **twenty**: the Head of Library Services; a Reader Services Librarian; a Discovery Services Librarian; a Collection Librarian; a Teaching Resources Librarian; a User Support Librarian; a Senior Library Assistant; two full-time Library Assistants; six part-time Library Assistants; three Student Shelves; and two Security Officers.

