Welcome to the Bertrand Russell Archives

The material in the Russell Archives is special and requires special care.

- Please place your belongings in a locker. You may bring your computer and notes into the reading room, but no coats or bags.
- Food and drink are not permitted in the reading room.
- Pencils or computers may be used to take notes; pens and highlighters may not.
- This is a quiet study space. Please keep voices low. Cell phone use is not permitted.
- You must have a borrower's card to use the collection—a McMaster Student Card or Staff Card, an External Borrower Card, or a Researcher Card that we can issue to you.
- All material will be retrieved by staff for you to use. Last retrieval is at 3:30 p.m. You may use up to 2 boxes of archives and/or 2 books at one time.
- Care must be used in handling the material.
 For archives, the order of folders within a box, and of items within a folder, must be maintained.
- No material from the Russell Archives may be removed from the reading room.
- Please consult staff if you wish to order copies or make copies with a camera.