

UK lift manufacturer Stannah Lifts Ltd has installed six lifts at Loughborough University. The lifts are all part of the Stannah range of access lifts specifically designed for use by people with disabilities and to help to meet the requirements of Disability Discrimination Act and Part 'M' of The Building Regulations.

Loughborough University is a huge campus of more than 433 acres and has a student body of over 14,000, with over 2300 of that number being students with disabilities. The campus is set on a steeply graduating site so levels change frequently within the open areas and the campus buildings. The access lifts have been installed in existing buildings that were designed and built without the attention now afforded to disabled people. There is an almost continuous new buildings programme at Loughborough and all the new buildings feature inclusive design.



Stannah

at Loughborough University



Top: A Stannah Stairiser CR to lift wheelchair users over curved stairways.

Left and below: A Stannah Midlift provides access to the first floor of the Bridgeman Centre.

The first of three vertical platform Stannah Midlifts is installed in The Bridgeman Centre for Design and Technology. The glass shafted 2 stop lift sits well within the open atrium study area providing access to the lecture areas on the first floor. It is easy to use, has fully automatic doors on both sides of the lift car and has easy-to-use continuous pressure buttons that ensure the platform moves smoothly and slowly within the structure-supported shaft.



CASE STUDY

Two additional Midlifts are installed in Martin Hall (home to the English and Drama Department) and Building S (Chemical Engineering Department). These two lifts are situated in busy corridors and feature fire doors to meet the current building regulations for each building. Each lift provides access to upper floor lecture rooms.

Three Stannah Stairiser platform stairlifts provide access solutions in other parts of the campus. A Stannah Stairiser SX, for straight stairs, provides alternative travel over a short flight of stairs in the Schofield Building (part of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities). The lift is neatly folded onto a side wall and, at the touch of a button, unfolds carefully to reveal a level platform to carry a wheelchair user slowly and safely over the flight of stairs. On arrival the user can alight from the lift, fold the lift against the top wall and continue their journey to reach the lecture rooms on the elevated level.

Also in the Schofield Building is a Stannah Stairiser CR, especially designed for travel over curved or turned stairways. This lift travels over a full flight of wide stairs in the atrium covered hallway at the centre of the building. The lift unfolds from its storage site against the outside of the stairs and then carries the user up a few steps and around the turned stairway arriving on the first floor where study rooms can be accessed.

The final Stairiser SX External is situated outside The Schofield Building and provides a short cut for wheelchair users avoiding the awkwardness of the principal pedestrian entrance into the Chaplaincy, a popular pastoral care service to students.



Stannah Access Lifts are manufactured in the UK to BS8300 and are part of a range of Stannah products to help to meet the requirements of the DDA. Other products include fully automatic passenger lifts and seated stairlifts.



*Above, left to right:
Hazlerigg and Rutland
Halls - Loughborough
University's two oldest
buildings; Negotiating
an external flight of
steps using the
Stannah Stairiser SX;
The Stannah Midlift
in Martin Hall.*

*Left:
The Stannah
Stairiser
CR can be operated
independently by way
of a hand-held device.*

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