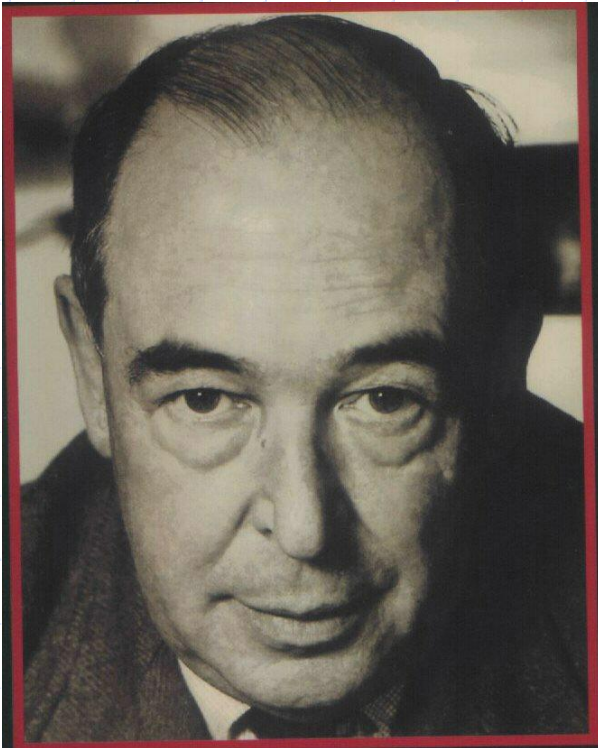


Cambridge University, 1954-1963



- ◆ His Title: Professor of Medieval and Renaissance Literature
- ◆ Inaugural Lecture, "De Descriptione Temporum" (we will read this)
- ◆ A Dinosaur
- ◆ Still lived in Oxford
- ◆ Clifford Morris, his driver (since Lewis did not drive)

Lewis at Cambridge University

- ◆ When did Lewis teach in Cambridge?
- ◆ What did C. S. Lewis accomplish during his Cambridge years?
- ◆ What was the city of Cambridge like?
- ◆ What was Cambridge University like?
(read on)

The Campus

- ◆ Undergraduates: ca. 300
- ◆ Graduate students: ca. 130
- ◆ Faculty: Master and Fellows, ca. 60 strong
- ◆ One of the 31 colleges for men and women (3 for women only)
- ◆ Each college is run independently
- ◆ Website: www.magd.cam.ac.uk/

The University

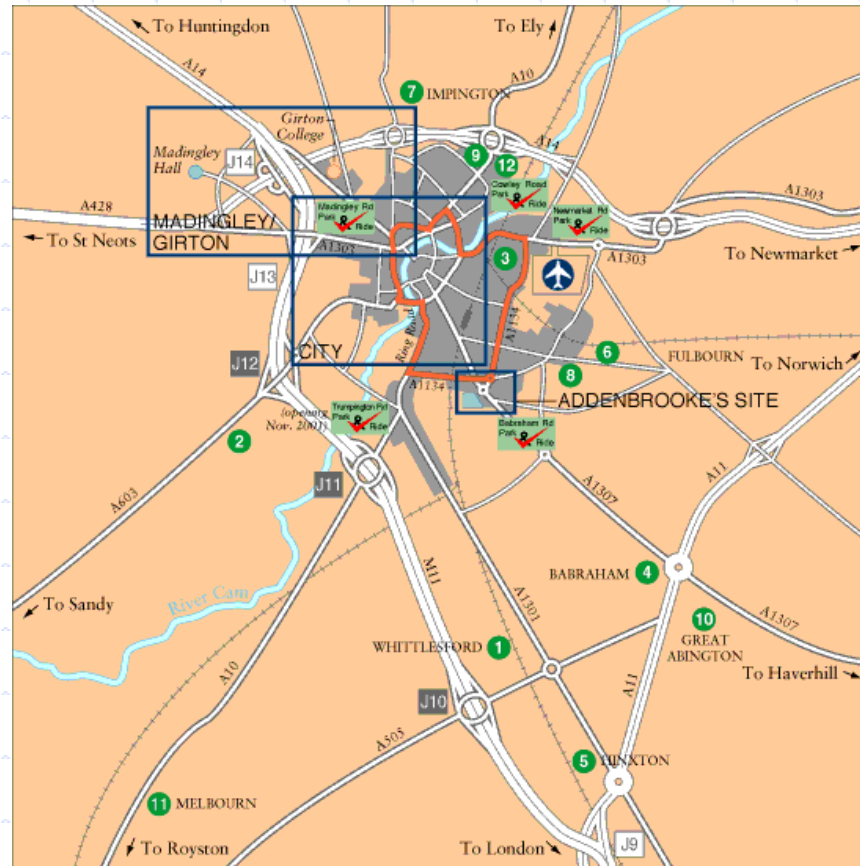
- ◆ Undergraduates: ca. 11,600 full-time
- ◆ Graduate students: ca. 5,000 full-time
- ◆ Staff: 8,000 Fellows and other staff

“De Descriptione Temporum”

- ◆ The title literally means, “On the Description of the Times”
- ◆ Given on Nov. 29, 1954
- ◆ To a packed house at Cambridge
- ◆ The issue: What is the major dividing point in history since the time of Christ? The Great Divide?
- ◆ Conclusion: The division between the Christian era and the post-Christian era, ca. 1830

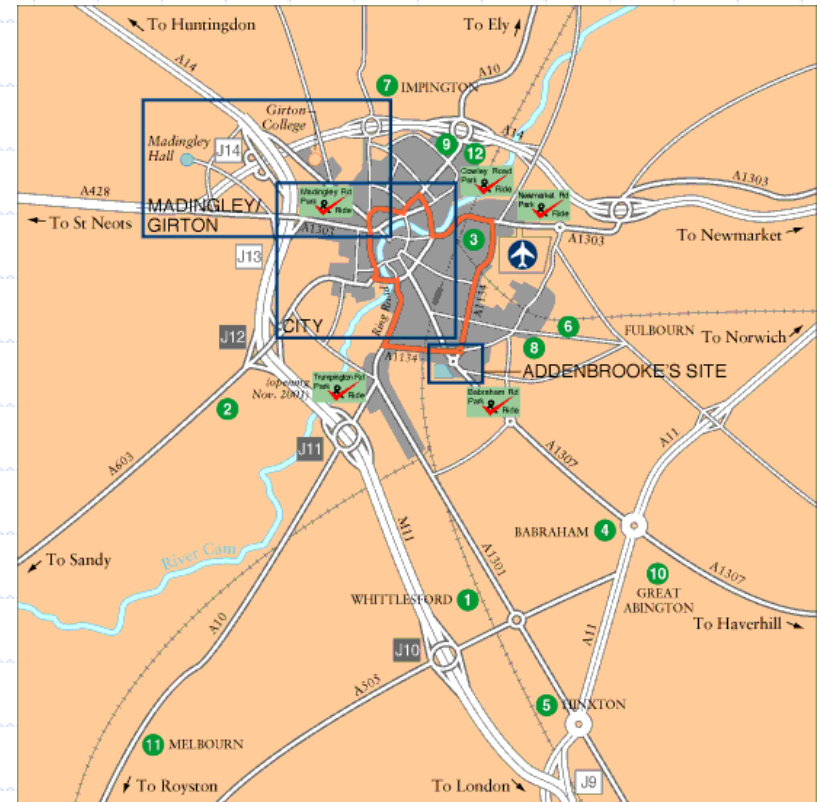
Magdalene College, Cambridge

Magdalene College is located in the section where the two boxes intersect.



Location of Magdalene

- ◆ Located next to the River Cam
- ◆ Northern part of the city
- ◆ Northern end of the Cambridge University campus
- ◆ Across Magdalene Street from St. John's College (east of St. John's), but also on the west side of the street



Magdalene College

- ◆ The River Cam
- ◆ Cam-bridge (get it?)
- ◆ Famous for the Samuel Pepys library (a graduate of Magdalene, seventeenth century writer)
- ◆ Founded in 1542 by Henry VIII (or Lord Audley, Lord Chancellor for Henry VIII)
- ◆ One of the poorest colleges at Cambridge

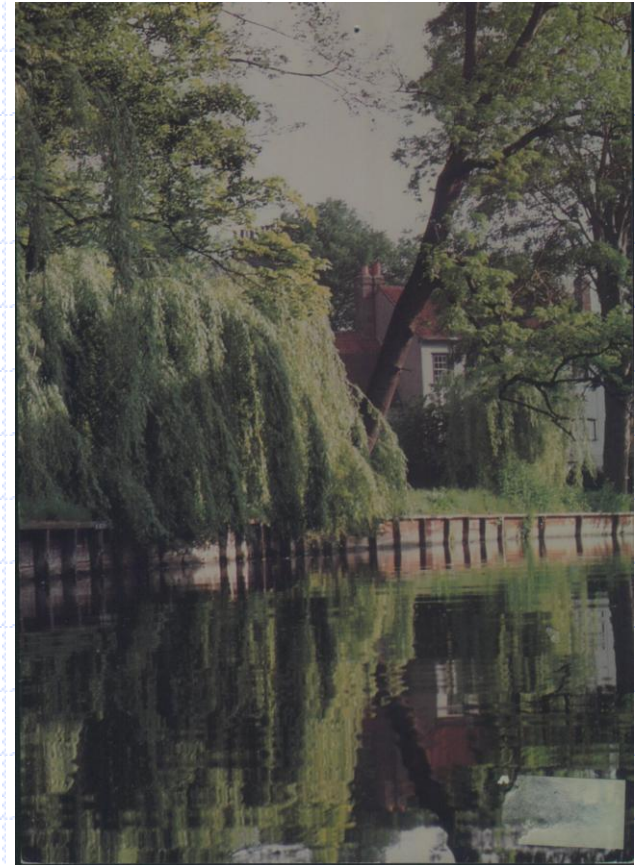


Pepys Library

- ◆ Named after Samuel Pepys (1633-1703)
- ◆ Most famous of Magdalene alumni
- ◆ Next to the Fellows' Garden
- ◆ Famous for his diaries, which included the story of the Great Fire of London, the Plague of 1665 and the coronation of Charles II
- ◆ Bequeathed his library of 3,000 volumes to Magdalene



- ◆ Lewis called it “The penitent Magdalen(e)” (vs. his previous college at Oxford, i.e. Magdalene College)
- ◆ Magdalene College from the south side of the river looking north
- ◆ Land purchased in 1428 and college founded in 1542 by Henry VIII



Magdalene College



Magdalene College at Twilight



The River Cam in the foreground and
The Pickerel Inn on the far left.

Magdalene College Main Gate

Facing east,
one enters
First Court
from
Magdalene
Street
through
these doors.
The
Porter's
Lodge is on
your left as
you enter.



Writings while at Cambridge

<i>De Descriptione Temporum</i>	A Grief Observed	Till We Have Faces	The Four Loves	An Experiment in Criticism	Poems
Surprised by Joy	The Magician's Nephew	The Last Battle	Letters to Malcolm	They Asked for a Paper	Studies in Words
The World's Last Night	"George Orwell"	"Prudery and Philology"	Reflections on the Psalms	"Lilies That Fester"	"Sometimes Fairy Stories..."
"Is History Bunk?"	"Dante's Statius"	"What Christmas Means to Me"	"The Psalms as Poetry"	"The Efficacy of Prayer"	"Screwtape Proposes a Toast," etc.

Cambridge University

- ◆ Henry VIII (right), Trinity College, which he founded
- ◆ What's that in the King's hand? (a table leg, not a scepter)
- ◆ More than 30 colleges (Clare, Peterhouse, Queens', King's, Jesus, Corpus Christ, etc.)



Cambridge, the city



- ◆ One hour north of London
- ◆ Westfield House, home of a Theologian Training Program for the LCMS partner church, the ELCE
- ◆ King's College Chapel (left), famous for its choir

Museums

- ◆ University Museum of Zoology (right)
- ◆ The Fitzwilliam Museum
- ◆ Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology
- ◆ Whipple Museum of the History of Science
- ◆ Museum of Classical Archaeology
- ◆ Other museums



Resignation and Death



- ◆ Resigned his position in August, 1963 due to failing health
- ◆ Died November 22, 1963
- ◆ Buried in the churchyard (left) of Holy Trinity, Headington Quarry