



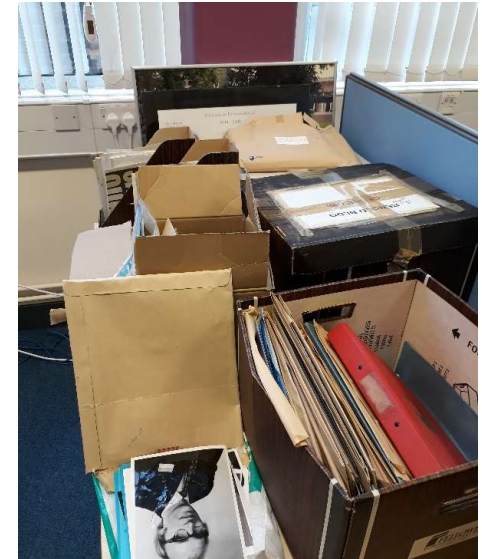
**‘How do you know where
you’re going if you don’t know
where you’ve been?’**

Juhela Rahman-Daultrey & Nicola Powell
Project photographs by Dee England



Background to the project

- Remit to foster community in a dispersed student population
- Extent of archive brought to light after an office move
- No suitable place to store it in Association offices
- Deterioration of photographs and documents
- Raise awareness of the Association with students and the OU
- To support student-led projects; form partnerships and collaborations



Challenger space patch - October 1984 mission



The Archive project begins...

Delve into 45 years
of OU students
history as a
VOLUNTEER
ARCHIVIST

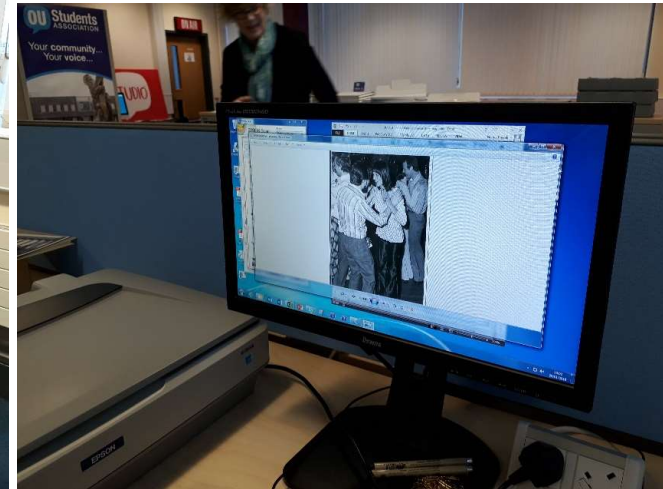
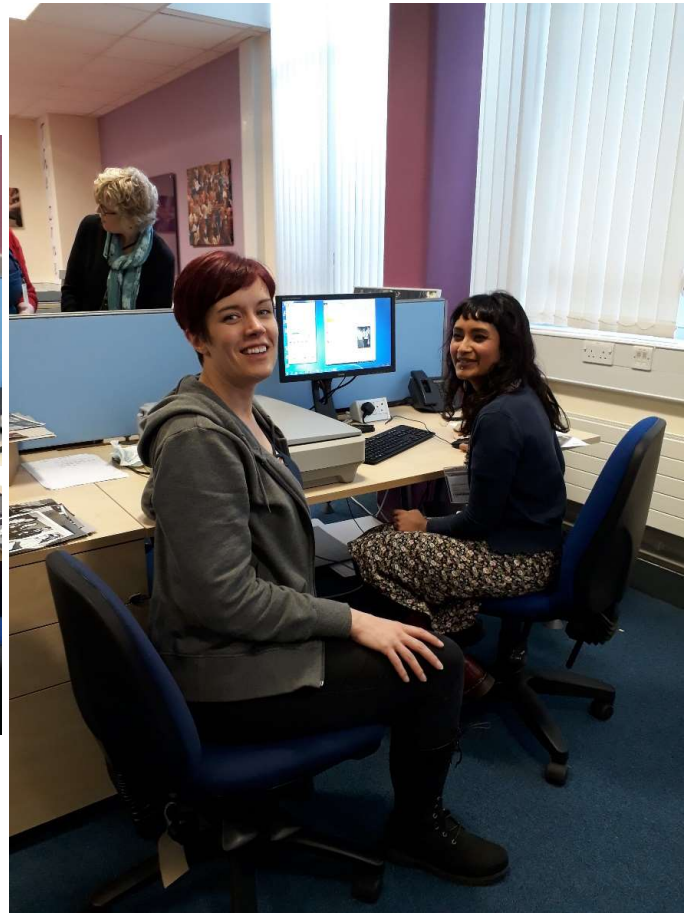
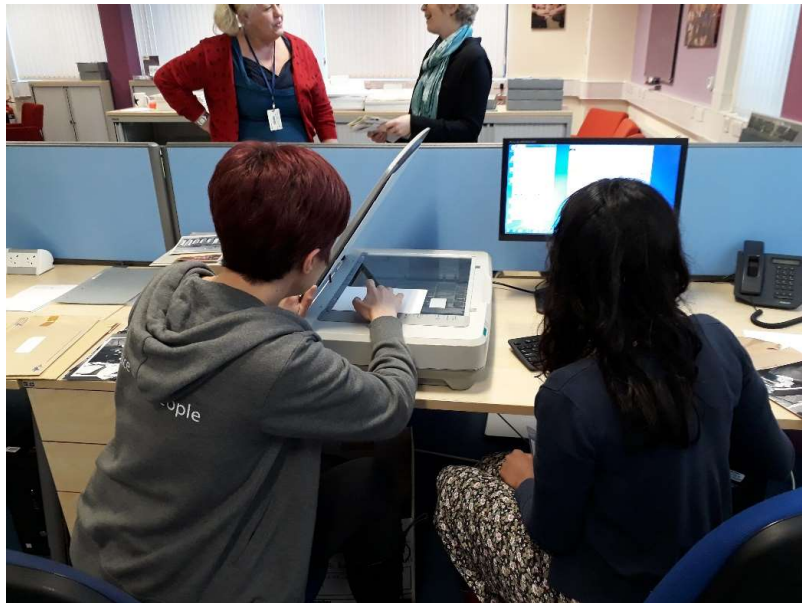


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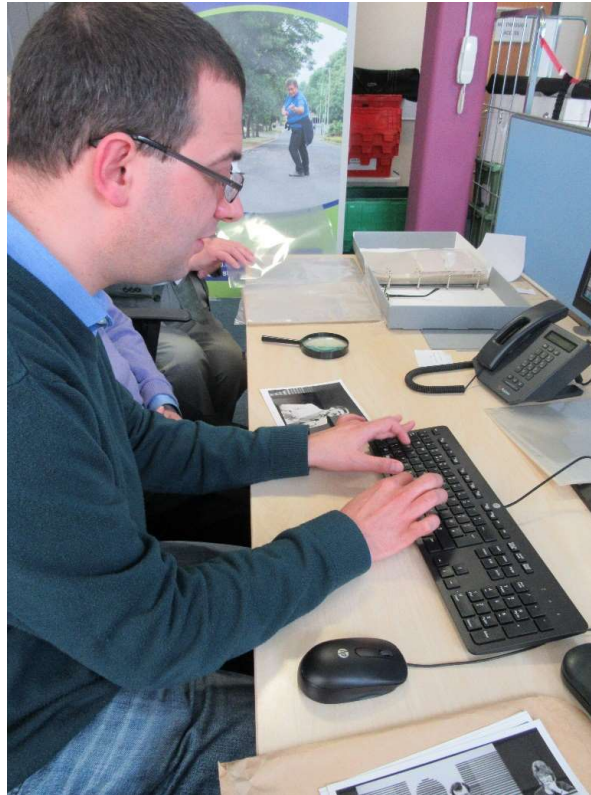
Sorting the physical and digital archive...



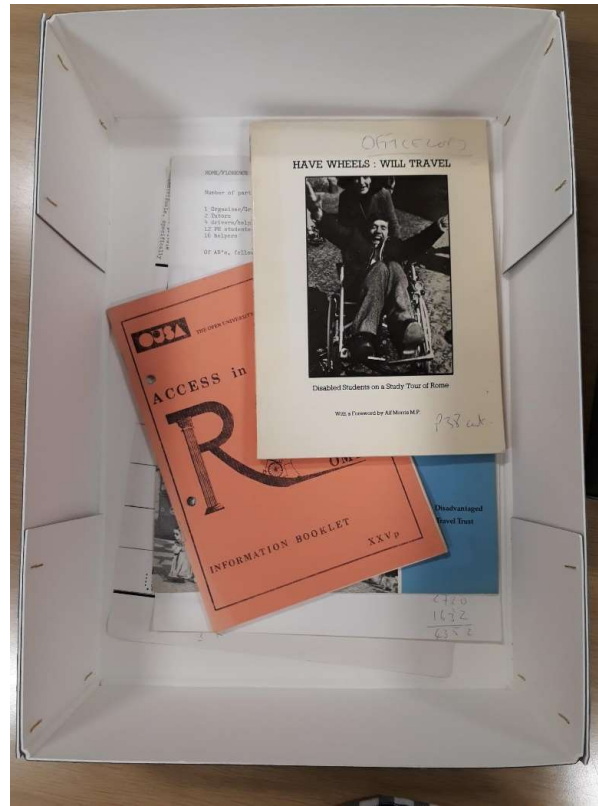
Digitising...



Cataloguing and remembering...



Packing and preserving...



Learning...

- Stephanie Ostrich
CITiZAN Project Officer, MOLA
- Ruth Cammies
Open University Archivist
- Tour of the OU Archive
- Tour of St Michael's church



The campaigning years...



The political years...



The fun years...



Presentation and handover...



Next...

- Ongoing volunteering opportunity for students, staff and graduates
- Use archive to raise awareness of the Association & its legacy
- Promote achievements of the Association
- Form a distinct part of the OU Digital Archive
- Form part of the OU's collection, preserving the Association's identity
- OU's 50th anniversary 2019
 - online exhibition curated by archive project participants
 - pop-up events around MK (library, history centre, Centre:MK, Stadium MK...) and OU campus
 - displays at OU and OU Students Association events



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