



OXFORD UNIVERSITY AND ST. STEPHEN'S HOUSE OPPORTUNITY BURSARY

Dear Oxford Opportunity Bursary holder,

Thank you for downloading this letter which contains information from the University and St Stephen's House regarding the Oxford Opportunity Bursary. The information below is only for students who have received a letter indicating the level of Oxford Opportunity Bursary they are due to receive for 2011/12. If you have not received this letter the information does not apply to you. **This letter does not provide evidence that the bearer holds a bursary.**

Your Oxford Opportunity Bursary is funded by the University and St Stephen's House to assist students from lower income households with their living costs whilst at University.

Payment

Payment of your bursary is made to you by the Student Loans Company (SLC) on behalf of St Stephen's House and the University. You must therefore ensure the SLC always have your correct bank details. These are the account details which you have submitted in order to receive a maintenance grant and loan.

You will only receive payment of your bursary if you have registered with the University by the deadline of Friday 14th October. You should usually expect payment during the following weeks:

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| Michaelmas Term | Week 4 |
| Hilary Term | Week 2 |
| Trinity Term | Week 2 |

Changes to your Oxford Opportunity Bursary Entitlement

Your entitlement to an Oxford Opportunity Bursary, and the amount you will receive, will be re-assessed annually on the basis of the household income information provided to your award authority on your student support application form. Provided the level of your parents' or sponsors' household income means that you continue to be eligible for a bursary, you will receive an award for each year of your course. The level of the award may potentially change in the future, in line with improvements to the scheme and with inflation.

As an Oxford Opportunity Bursary recipient you will not be affected by any changes to the bursary scheme for 2012 entrants, and will remain eligible to be assessed under the current scheme for the duration of your studies.

Your bursary entitlement in the current year can change in line with any changes to your household income assessment by the Student Loans Company. Where this occurs you will receive further notification to inform you of the changes.

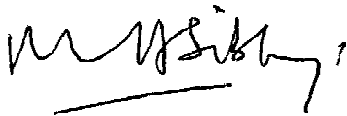
The bursary scheme for 2011/12 closes on 31 May 2012. Changes made to your household income after this date will not automatically result in a change to your bursary. If your assessment is likely to change, it is your responsibility to contact the bursary team using oxfordopportunity@admin.ox.ac.uk in advance of this deadline. Requests for reassessment will be dealt with on an individual basis.

Contact

If you have any queries about the Oxford Opportunity Bursary scheme please email oxfordopportunity@admin.ox.ac.uk.

The University and St Stephen's House are delighted to be able to offer you this support as part of their policy of seeking to ensure that the most promising UK students are able to benefit from an Oxford Education, regardless of their financial circumstances. We hope that this bursary will help you to make the most of all the opportunities which Oxford has to offer.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Sibly', with a horizontal line underneath.

Michael Sibly
Academic Registrar
and Secretary of Faculties