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Student News



Week 2, Trinity term 2017

Student News is emailed to you fortnightly during term from Week 0 and contains key information, including deadlines, reminders and events from the central University. Further information is available from the [Oxford Students website](#).

Register to vote in the general election by 22 May

You must be registered to vote by Monday 22 May 2017 to vote in the UK general election on Thursday 8 June 2017. It is the responsibility of each student to register themselves, your college or a member of your household can not do this for you. You can register to vote online at gov.uk/register-to-vote; you will need your National Insurance number.

Conduct after examinations

Trinity term is a particularly important time for the many of you sitting examinations. Other candidates are likely still to be sitting examinations when you finish your own and immediately afterwards. To be fair to students still in examinations, you are asked to follow the instructions of University staff and to leave the vicinity of any examination venue **without delay**.

You are reminded that behaviour after examinations is covered by University regulations, which prohibit certain types of behaviour and gathering near examination venues. Breaching the regulations constitutes misconduct. You are therefore discouraged from coming to venues to meet friends as they leave their examinations. If you do choose to do so, bear in mind that food, drink or other

material that could cause litter or damage may be confiscated and remember that the Code of Discipline requires you to identify yourself to University or college officers on request.

More information on the conduct expected and on what is prohibited is available on the [Proctors' Office website](#).

Immortalise your student days

You are invited to take part in a photo shoot to be in photographs which will appear in the University's print and online publications. If you would like to take part, register your interest using the [online form](#). The photo shoot will take place on Wednesday 14 June 2017 (Week 8) and will include group and individual photographs in central Oxford. Everyone is welcome.

Update Student Self Service with overseas studies activities

If you are a full-time graduate student spending more than two weeks overseas for study you are reminded to update Student Self Service with details of your placements. Overseas placements may include field trips, laboratory work, library work, visits to other universities, research, or the writing up of a dissertation or thesis that contribute towards your course. This information is required for the University's annual government reporting, and will help the University understand whether the services and support on offer for students studying overseas is appropriate and how overseas study contributes to academic learning.

Intensive Weekend Language Courses: Italian, Spanish, French and German

Would you like to learn a new language or brush up on existing skills? Places are available to attend an Intensive Weekend Language Course at the Language Centre.

- Italian and Spanish, Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 May 2017
- German and French, Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 May 2017

Beginner and Lower Intermediate classes are available for Italian, Spanish and German as well as Beginner, Lower Intermediate and Upper Intermediate for French. For more information or to apply, email admin@lang.ox.ac.uk.

Editing your thesis with Corpora

The Language Centre is offering a special course this term for DPhil students who are non-native speakers of English who have started writing chapters of their thesis. The aim of the course is to help you edit your thesis using the software program Corpora.

- 11:00–13:00, Tuesdays during term (starting Week 3), Language Centre, 12 Woodstock Road

To register, visit the [Language Centre website](#) and email admin@lang.ox.ac.uk if you have any questions.

OX Postcode Fair

Looking to stay in Oxford after you graduate or over the summer? This fair brings together employers from across Oxfordshire, all with vacancies for full-time jobs or internships.

- 15:00–18:00, Thursday 4 May 2017, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road

There are organisations from many different industries reflecting the range of opportunities on offer around Oxford, including education, computing, retail, finance, health and social care, science and not-for-profit. For more information, visit the [Careers Service website](#).

Apply now for a Micro-Internship in Week 9

Micro-Internships are voluntary placements based in Oxfordshire and Greater London, lasting two to five days, with a specific project to complete. Placements can be research-based or professional; opportunities this term range from event management for a mental-health charity, to production with an up-and-coming podcast in London, and research for the National Trust.

To learn more about the programme including details on how to apply, visit the [Careers Service website](#) or email micro-internships@careers.ox.ac.uk. To view all vacancies log in to Career Connect and search for 'MIP'.

Counselling workshops

A range of workshops are offered by the University Counselling Service to help you build skills to respond to the demands of life at university. Topics change each term and include: mindfulness, overcoming panic, relaxation, self-care and resilience. You can view the Trinity term workshop timetable on the [University Counselling Service webpage](#). Places are limited and early sign up is recommended.

Staying in the UK to work – which visa?

This session will provide an overview for international students on routes to remain in the UK to work after study. It will also outline provision for students under Tier 2 of the points-based system.

- 12:30–14:00, Wednesday 10 May 2017, the Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road

Booking is not required.

Apply for a £250 sporting award

Four awards of £250 each are available to help talented sports people to excel in their chosen sport and contribute to the success of sport at the University of Oxford. Applications are open to all students except those in their final year. For more information and to apply before 16:00, Wednesday 31 May 2017, visit the [Alumni Office website](#).

Keep your JSTOR access after you leave Oxford

If you are finishing your studies at Oxford this term you will receive your Oxford Alumni Card from your college or department. You can use the alumni number on your card to access JSTOR and for discounts in shops and restaurants across Oxford and beyond. Visit the [Alumni Office website](#) for details of all the benefits.

Take part in the 'Three Little Words' competition for the chance to win £100 worth of vouchers. To enter via the [Alumni Office website](#), simply submit three words about your Oxford experience. You can also enter to win weekly prizes via Instagram, Facebook and Twitter using #threelittlewords and tagging @oxfordalumni.

Japanese Government scholarship opportunity

An 18 or 24 month scholarship is available for graduate students who wish to continue their studies in Japan. Research can be undertaken in almost any field and should commence in either April or September 2018. No prior knowledge of the Japanese language is necessary and six months of Japanese language education can be included in the period of study. For more information and to apply by 17:00, Thursday 1 June 2017, visit the [Embassy of Japan in the UK website](#). For questions, email scholarship@ld.mofa.go.jp.

Understanding mathematical ability – participants required

Are you studying mathematics, physics, computing or engineering? The Autism Research Centre, University of Cambridge, is seeking students to participate in a study looking at genetic links between autism and mathematical ability. All participants will be entered into a prize draw where there is the opportunity to win one of five £200 gift vouchers. To find out more and to check if you are eligible, visit the [Autism Research Centre website](#).

Plagiarism avoidance course

You can register to attend a free session on academic writing skills and how to avoid inadvertent plagiarism. Topics include how to use Turnitin plagiarism awareness software and an overview of paraphrasing and summarising. If you wish to practise submitting a document to Turnitin, bring an electronic copy of an article or chapter you have written.

- 12:30–13:30, Tuesday 6 June 2017, IT Services, 13 Banbury Road

Places are limited and booking is required. For further information to book, visit the [IT Services website](#), select 'Click to book a course' and search for 'Plagiarism'.

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