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# Student News



## Week 4, 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](#).

## General Elections hustings

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OUSU and the University will host two rounds of hustings in the run up to the General Election on Thursday 8 June 2017. The events will give you an opportunity to question Oxford's parliamentary candidates from across the political spectrum on their approaches to important issues affecting students and the University. Two events will take place:

- [Oxford West](#): 18.00, Monday 22 May 2017, St Hugh's College. No registration necessary.
- Oxford East: 18.00, Monday 5 June 2017, Sheldonian Theatre. To register, visit [Eventbrite](#).

Remember, you must be registered to vote by Monday 22 May 2017 if you wish to vote in the election. It is the responsibility of each student to register themselves - your college or a member of your household cannot do this for you. You can register to vote online at [gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://gov.uk/register-to-vote); you will need your National Insurance number. [This infographic](#) provides further information.

## Student Barometer results

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The Student Barometer survey looks at student satisfaction on a range of topic areas including living, learning, support services and arrival matters. The last survey took place in Michaelmas term, and Oxford received more than 8,000 responses - one of the highest response rates of all UK universities. Thank you to everyone who took part. The results from this academic year and previous years, plus examples of how we acted on your previous feedback, can be seen on the [Oxford Students website](#). This year's results show that 93% of University of Oxford students are satisfied with their experience overall.

## Examination resources from the Counselling Service

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The Counselling Service provides a range of resources to support you with your examinations. You can sign up for revision and preparation workshops, listen to three examination-specific [podcasts](#) or visit [Take 5](#), a free online resource to help with panic or anxiety related to examinations. For more information, visit the [Oxford Students website](#) or email [counselling@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:counselling@admin.ox.ac.uk).

To prepare for your examinations using past exam papers, you can use the Oxford Examination Papers Online (OXAM) service. For more information and to access these papers, visit [WebLearn](#).

## Internship applications close this week

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If you are interested in undertaking an internship over the Long Vacation, you can apply for the Internship Programme. Projects include:

- Research projects with the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford (deadline Wednesday 17 May)
- IT and research development projects with IT Services, University of Oxford (deadline Wednesday 17 May)
- Business development with Anglo-Scientific and SeeQuestor Ltd, tech start-ups based in London (deadlines Wednesday 17 May and Sunday 21 May)
- Research, data and communications with the Entrepreneurship Centre, Saïd Business School (deadline Sunday 21 May)
- Supporting learning and participation at The Story Museum, Oxford (deadline Sunday 21 May)

Internships provide a valuable opportunity to make your CV stand out from the crowd with unique industry experience. Further opportunities will be advertised via the [Internship Programme](#) until the end of Trinity term. To apply, visit [CareerConnect](#) or email [internships@careers.ox.ac.uk](mailto:internships@careers.ox.ac.uk) for more information.

## Beginner lunchtime language courses

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The Language Centre is offering lunchtime language courses. Each course lasts for 12 hours in total.

- Monday–Thursday, 19–30 June 2017 (Weeks 9 and 10, Trinity term), Oxford University Language Centre, 12 Woodstock Road (French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese and Mandarin)
- Tuesday–Friday, 19–30 June 2017 (Weeks 9 and 10, Trinity term), Oxford University Language Centre, 12 Woodstock Road (German)

Classes last 90 minutes and will focus on speaking and listening skills for beginners. An intermediate French course will also run. For more information, visit the [Language Centre website](#) or email [admin@lang.ox.ac.uk](mailto:admin@lang.ox.ac.uk).

## Insight into Teaching

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Insight into Teaching offers the opportunity to spend three days in a UK school and includes lesson observation, getting involved with activities and possibly the opportunity to try out some teaching. The programme is taking place from 19–23 June 2017 (Week 9, Trinity term). Placements are available in a wide range of schools, mainly in or near Oxford on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information on eligibility and to apply, visit the [Careers Service website](#). The deadline is Wednesday 31 May 2017.

## Undergraduate Awards

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The Undergraduate Awards (UA) is an international awards programme that recognises top undergraduate students and provides the support, network and opportunities required to further their career paths. Winners are invited to the UA Global Summit in Dublin, Ireland for a four-day networking event of lectures, workshops and discussions. You can apply for the programme if you are in penultimate or final year of undergraduate study, or if you graduated in 2016. The deadline to apply is Tuesday 13 June 2017. For more information, visit the [Undergraduate Awards website](#).

## Bursaries for UK students

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If you are from East Kent or Hertfordshire you may be eligible for up to £750 from your local Alumni Group. These bursaries are offered to support a range of

activities from internships to overseas travel. For more information including application deadlines and checking your eligibility, visit the [Oxford Alumni website](#).

## Harassment communications focus group

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A focus group will take place in Week 5 to help understand students' views on the communication of the University's harassment policies and supportive resources. The focus groups will take place at 3 Worcester Street and lunch will be provided. If you are interested in participating or for further information, email [fiona.whelan@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:fiona.whelan@admin.ox.ac.uk).

## Undergraduate open days – volunteers needed

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Undergraduate Admissions and Outreach have received great support so far as a result of the call for volunteers for this year's Open Days but are still seeking help, particularly for the morning of Wednesday 28 June 2017 at Thornhill and Pear Tree Park and Rides and the morning of Thursday 29 June 2017 in central Oxford.

To volunteer - whether for a couple of hours or a full day - check with your line manager and then submit your details using the following online forms: [28 June](#) and [29 June](#). For more information, visit the [Oxford University website](#) or email [opendays@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:opendays@admin.ox.ac.uk).

## Immortalise your student days

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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.

## Oxford Africa Conference 2017

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The seventh annual Oxford Africa Conference will be taking place this week.

- Friday 19 May and Saturday 20 May 2017, Blavatnik School of Government, 120 Walton Street

You will have the opportunity to attend panel discussions led by speakers from the political and business arena, experts in development, and talented African artists. To book your place, visit the [Oxford Africa Conference website](#).