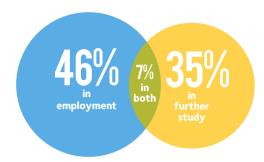
Take a look
at Oxford's
Careers Service:
www.careers.
ox.ac.uk

# Your career after Oxford



**Six months after leaving**, the majority of our students are in employment, and most of the rest are in further study. When we checked in with 2013 leavers, 6% were still looking for work, and 6% were doing something else entirely.

### And of those in work:

Education			13
Health & Social Care			12%
Banking & Investment			9%
Culture, Sport & Leisure		7%	
Retail & Sales	6%		
Accountancy & Finance	6%		
Government & Policy 5%			
Universities & Higher Education 5%			I have been fortunate to find a career
Consultancy 5%			path that enables me to utilise both the
Charity & Development 4%			scientific knowledge about climate change that I gained from my Geography degree
Media 4%			and the communication and organisational
Engineering 4%			skills I learnt from my role as a JCR* Officer and Sports Captain.
IT & Computing 4%			Caroline, graduated 2004
Marketing & Communications 3%			
Law 2%			
Scientific 2% Research			
Other careers		<b>7</b> %	*See page 1



### OXFORD UNIVERSITY CAREERS SERVICE

The University's Careers Service is committed to helping all students find the next best step.

450
talks and workshops
run by our Career
Advisers each year
– plus hundreds from
visiting recruiters

4,500
one-to-one
careers advice
appointments
available to
students each
year

opportunities
advertised last year
on CareerConnect:
a job board that can
only be accessed by
Oxford students and
alumni

£23,000

- the median starting salary for Oxford undergraduates.

25% take home over £30,000 in the first year after graduation.

annual careers fairs, so you can explore your options and meet employers

### DEVELOPING SKILLS OUTSIDE YOUR COURSE

### Join societies

There are hundreds of student societies and sports teams at Oxford. Taking part can help you demonstrate teamwork, time management, leadership skills and more.

### Do an internship

Oxford's Internship Office sources hundreds of student placements around the world exclusively for Oxford students. In your summer you could be teaching English in Thailand, conducting biodiversity research in the Amazon rainforest, or working in a museum in the USA.

### Get business experience

A unique programme, 'The Student Consultancy' trains teams of students to help Oxfordshire organisations solve real business problems. 'The Student Entrepreneur' helps you develop commercial creativity, and set up businesses or social enterprises.

#### Gain confidence

Springboard is an award-winning programme for professional women. The Oxford version provides female students with the tools to boost their confidence and reach their aspirations – across many areas of life.

I have worked for the UN in eleven countries, mostly in peace—keeping and humanitarian operations. The analytical thinking I acquired at Oxford is crucial to my daily work, whether responding to conflict or natural disasters. And no less importantly, Oxford is where I developed ideals and convictions, which help me do my work with dedication day after day.

Maurizio, graduated 1996



# Fees and funding

Oxford is committed to providing generous financial support to UK/EU students from lower-income households to ensure that those with the academic ability to achieve a place here are not held back by their financial circumstances.

I feel very fortunate that I have faced no financial difficulties whatsoever at Oxford. This is entirely due to the extremely generous bursary support, which means I can focus on my studies (and hobbies) without financial anxiety. Chris, 3rd year

### WHAT IT COSTS

### Fees

What you pay each year is determined by your fee status (based on your nationality and where you usually live). You will be classed as Home (UK), EU (rest of European Union), Islands (Channel Islands or Isle of Man) or Overseas (outside EU).

More on fee status:

ox.ac.uk/ugfeestatus

### **Living Costs**

Your living costs will vary depending on your lifestyle. In 2015 -16 living costs at Oxford are estimated to be between £950 and £1,405 a month for essentials like accommodation and food. Budget over nine months to cover the full academic year (£8,550-£12,640).

ox.ac.uk/uglivingcosts

### Home/EU fees:

The 2016-17 tuition fee for Home/EU students will be confirmed in spring 2015. You can receive a loan to cover your fees and do not have to pay this cost upfront.

### Islands fees:

Islands students pay the same tuition fee as Home/EU students\* plus an annual college fee (£6,925 in 2015–16)

### Overseas fees:

Full breakdown of living costs:

Overseas undergraduates pay a higher rate of tuition fee than Home/EU students, which varies according to subject (up to £21,855\* in 2015-16) plus an annual college fee (£6,925 in 2015-16).

\*with the exception of clinical medicine, where the fee is significantly higher



### WHAT YOU GET - HOME AND EU STUDENTS ONLY

### From the UK government

# **Home/EU students:**A loan to cover **all your fees**

#### Home students:

A Maintenance Loan to cover some of your living costs

# Home students from lower-income households: A non-repayable Maintenance Grant to cover more of your

UK government loan repayments are combined into a single amount which only becomes repayable once you have left your course.

### Student Finance applications open

from early 2016; you should apply as early as possible. To be considered for grants and bursaries, you must have your household income assessed by your funding agency. For students from:

#### **England:**

www.gov.uk/student-finance

### **Scotland:**

www.saas.gov.uk

#### Northern Ireland:

www.studentfinanceni.co.uk

### Wales:

www.studentfinancewales.co.uk

### the rest of the EU:

www.gov.uk/apply-for-student-finance

#### From Oxford

Oxford's financial support will be confirmed in summer 2015. As a guide: in 2015–16, Oxford is offering generous annual bursaries of up to £4,500 for students from lower-income households

We make it as easy as possible to access our funding - there is no separate application process. We use information from your funding agency to assess you for Oxford funding, so

# make sure you are financially assessed or 'means-tested'.

Updates on Oxford's funding: available from spring 2015 at **ox.ac.uk/funding** 

The bursary support at Oxford has been incredible. It has allowed me to attend University each term knowing that I can attend events without having to worry. It is hard to estimate what life would be like without the bursary money, but I don't think I'd be able to live life to the full here in the way that I so far have. Elizabeth, 3rd year

# MORITZ-HEYMAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

UK students from lowerincome households may be eligible for enhanced support from Oxford. The Moritz-Heyman Scholarship programme provides funding, opportunities for volunteering, and access to internships during the summer vacations.

ox.ac.uk/mh

### FIND OUT MORE

Check the costs of studying and support available using the Fees, Funding and Scholarship Search: ox.ac.uk/ffsearch

# PREVIOUS STUDY

If you have previously completed a course at undergraduate level, you will be classed as an Equivalent or Lower Qualification (ELQ) student and won't receive funding for your course. If you began, but did not complete a degree, you might not get funding for the full length of your course.

See: ox.ac.uk/elq



# Libraries



# **50,000** e-journals





# **READ KEY TEXTS**

Whether you're writing an essay or preparing for an experiment, you'll be given a reading list to start from. You can find the books you will need in your college or department, or both.

College libraries are open to everyone in your college. They stock the core materials for your course, and have generous lending arrangements. They are often open 24 hours a day, providing quiet, convenient places to study. The college librarian can help you to find what you need, and in many cases will order books in specially.

# RESEARCH A TOPIC IN-DEPTH

When you find something really interesting, Oxford makes it easy to go beyond your reading list and find out more. Most courses offer a chance to write a dissertation or carry out a research project.

Subject librarians are your guides to Oxford's world-class research collections. They can advise on the latest publications in your field, or on the best databases to search. They often run classes to help you make the most of what they can offer.

The Bodleian Libraries form the UK's second largest library service with combined collections of over 11,000,000 items on 117 miles of shelves. The Bodleian Library is a legal deposit library, meaning it can claim a copy of any book or journal published in the UK or Ireland. All Oxford students are entitled to use 'the Bod' for their research.





Every 21
seconds someone borrows a book

on 117 miles

### STUDY ONLINE

Oxford has an extensive online collection, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This includes databases, books, reference works and the best online journal collection in the UK. These are available to members of the University from anywhere with an internet connection:

SOLO (Search Oxford Libraries Online) lists books and journals, print and online: solo.bodleian.ox.ac.uk

OxLIP+ lists databases, electronic reference works and e-journals: oxlip-plus.bodleian.ox.ac.uk

Research assistance, subject guides and how the Oxford library system works:

libguides.bodleian.ox.ac.uk

### READING ROOMS

Oxford has a mix of old and new libraries, which offer a fantastic range of places to study. Choose from Duke Humfrey's (built in 1488, and used as the Hogwarts library in some of the Harry Potter films), the elegant circular Radcliffe Camera, the bright modern Social Science Library, and many more.

www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk

Sitting in the Bodleian Library at the same desk that might once have been occupied by John Locke and Robert Hooke, I feel part of the University's rich history.

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# NEW WESTON Library

Opened in September 2014 with refurbished reading rooms and exhibition space.



# Museums and collections

Oxford has collections of international importance – databanks for research. teaching and study - full of wonderful treasures that anyone can enjoy.



### ASHMOLEAN MUSEUM

The Ashmolean is Britain's oldest public museum and the finest university museum in the world. The collections range from artefacts of the world's great ancient civilisations from east and west, right up to contemporary art from around the world. The exhibition centre hosts major international exhibitions which will be of interest to all students. and of particular use to students in Ancient and Modern History, Fine Art, History of Art, Archaeology, Classics and Anthropology.

www.ashmolean.org

# OXFORD UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

The spectacular neo-Gothic architecture of a Grade I listed building houses the University's geological and zoological specimens. Among its famous specimens

# MUSEUM OF THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE

The world's oldest purpose-built museum building houses an unrivalled collection of scientific instruments from antiquity to the 20th century. Astrolabes, sundials, quadrants, mathematical and optical instruments and apparatus associated with chemistry, natural philosophy and medicine are displayed, alongside temporary exhibitions. The collections are used in teaching History of Science and History of Art.

www.mhs.ox.ac.uk



2,000+
musical instruments

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### PITT RIVERS MUSEUM

The Pitt Rivers is a museum of ethnography and world archaeology, celebrated for its period feel and the density of its displays. Courses that use the museum's resources include Human Sciences, Archaeology and Anthropology, Geography, Classics, History of Art and Fine Art. In addition to a collection which now numbers over half a million objects, the collection includes extensive photographic and sound archives.

www.prm.ox.ac.uk

### BATE COLLECTION

The Bate Collection is one of the most magnificent collections of musical instruments in the world. The Bate has more than 2,000 instruments from the Renaissance, through the baroque, classical and romantic periods up to modern times. More than a thousand instruments are on display, by all the most important makers and from pre-eminent collectors. Music and History of Art undergraduates make use of the collection.

www.bate.ox.ac.uk

# BOTANIC GARDEN & HARCOURT ARBORETUM

Oxford is unique amongst UK universities having both a Botanic Garden and an extensive Arboretum, with over 5,500 species of plants from all over the world. The collection includes unique specimens, not in cultivation anywhere else in the world. The gardens and glasshouses at the Botanic Garden, and the exotic collection, meadows, and native woodland at the Arboretum, are perfect for visiting any time of the year.

These collections are particularly used by students in Biological Sciences.

www.botanic-garden.ox.ac.uk www.harcourt-arboretum.ox. ac.uk

### **BODLEIAN LIBRARIES**

Treasures include rare books, maps and manuscripts, such as Shakespeare's First Folio and the Magna Carta.

www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk



# Supporting your studies

### IT SFRVICES

The University wifi network covers most of central Oxford, including parks, cafés and pubs.



#### Mobile Oxford

Whether you need maps, library books, the next bus, or even collection times at the nearest postbox. Mobile Oxford is here to help.

m.ox.ac.uk

#### Podcasts and iTunes U

Public lectures, teaching material, interviews with leading academics - all available to download for free.

podcasts.ox.ac.uk itunes.ox.ac.uk

from 4.600 academics

### IT learning programme

You can choose from more than 200 different free or low-cost courses each term. From fundamental skills in the common Office applications through to web design, programming and multimedia, you can find it all at: courses.it.ox.ac.uk

#### **Getting started**

What to bring with you to Oxford, and how to get started or find help if you need it: welcometoit.ox.ac.uk

# LANGUAGE CENTRE

The Language Centre's term-time programmes of study offer students a chance to learn a new language or keep up an old one, whatever their degree.

The Language Library has a range of multimedia facilities including text and audio-visual material in over 180 languages.



Daytime (LASR) classes can be started at different times of the year and have 'priority' registration for those with study and research needs.

Evening (OPAL) courses offer a certificate and must be started in October. culminating in an examination and assessed presentation.

**Special courses** are currently available to students from certain departments.

Courses in academic English are available for international students who have had to meet an English language requirement.

The Lambda project provides a solution for independent learners of French or German to monitor their progress.

More about the Language Centre, courses, and fees: www.lang.ox.ac.uk



# YOUR SUPPORT NETWORK

### College welfare contacts

Colleges are a great source of personal support. Those who are available to help include your subject tutor, student 'peer supporters', people in designated welfare roles, NHS doctors and college nurses.

350 students across the University are trained Peer Supporters, supervised by the Counselling Service.

### ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/peer

I am one of six trained peer supporters in my college. Our photos and phone numbers are up around college for people to get in touch if they want to. As college LGB TQ rep\*, I organise things like 'LGBTQ Teas' and dinners out with nearby colleges. Oxford is an incredibly welcoming and Supportive environment, and my job is to make it even more so. Daniel, 3rd year

### **Student Counselling Service**

The counselling service, staffed by counsellors, psychologists and psychotherapists, is available to help you address personal or emotional problems that affect your experience at Oxford. Its aim is to help you realise your full academic potential and develop greater ability to take decisions for yourself that effect real change. Alongside individual and group sessions there are workshops and self-help materials available.

### ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/ counselling

#### **Childcare**

Extensive childcare provision for student parents is available. University Childcare Services manage multisite nursery provision within Oxford. Four colleges operate independent nurseries.

### www.admin.ox.ac.uk/childcare

### **Oxford Nightline**

Nightline is a confidential listening, information and support service run by students, for students. It is open 8pm-8am, every night in term-time.

### users.ox.ac.uk/~nightln

#### Harassment

The University is committed to maintaining an environment in which the rights and dignity of all members of the University community are respected. There is a network of Harassment Advisors and a dedicated harassment line.

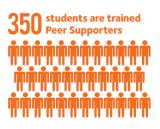
### www.admin.ox.ac.uk/eop/har

#### **Student Advice Service**

The Student Advice Service is a free, safe and confidential support service available to all Oxford University students. Independent from the colleges and the University, they can give information and support to students facing any difficult situation.

### www.ousu.org advice@ousu.ox.ac.uk

\*see page 179



I was convinced somebody had made a mistake letting me into Oxford. I got to the point where I started to think I should leave before they told me to. My counsellor helped me to understand why I felt a fraud and we worked on how I could change the way I thought about myself. I got a first in Finals! Zara, graduated 2012



### Supporting your studies continued

# **DISABLED STUDENTS**

The University welcomes applications from disabled students, and makes reasonable adjustments to facilitate access to courses.

The Disability Advisory Service (DAS) provides information, advice and assistance with coordinating practical study support arrangements. DAS fulfils a crucial role for prospective and current disabled students.

students with dyslexia, dyspraxia and other specific learning difficulties

1,800+ students registered with Oxford's

disability

service

students with Autistic Spectrum conditions students with any longterm mental or physical health condition

The unimaginable has happened — I have been awarded a degree with distinction and a prize for best dissertation. I was able to do an amazing amount of work and edit my dissertation very fast with the assistive technology you recommended and put in place. For once I was able to do a vast amount of work without it impacting on my health.

Sabena, graduated 2012

DAS arranges support workers for disabled students, including note-takers, mentors and library assistants. Special examination arrangements such as extra time, rest breaks and word-processing may be available if appropriate supporting evidence is provided.

For access to your course materials, the University can supply audio recordings, Braille texts or formats compatible with screen-readers, magnification and scanning software: www.bodleian.ox.

# **ac.uk/services/disability/aracu**. The Assessment Centre provides study

needs assessments for any student who is applying for the Disabled Students'
Allowance. Find out more by visiting

# ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/disability/assessment

**If you have a disability**, and are thinking of applying to Oxford, we'd advise you to:

- consider the requirements of your chosen course before applying
- identify any elements that might present particular difficulties
- visit your college and department of choice, to explore facilities and discuss specific needs (DAS can help you to organise this)

It is essential to contact the department and DAS as early as possible in the application process so that any necessary arrangements can be made well in advance of the start of your course. Find a contact by visiting: ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/disability/contacts



70/0 of all students are disabled

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students disabled | | Oxford student come from over

countries.

Academic and research staff from nearly

# **EQUALITY FOR ALL**

If you have high academic ability and potential, you're the kind of person we'd like to welcome to Oxford.

You will have the chance to make a unique contribution while enjoying the opportunity to study and socialise with talented people from a wide range of backgrounds, and with a huge variety of interests and passions. We make admissions decisions solely on the individual merits of each candidate using selection criteria appropriate to the course of study. Our students and staff all contribute to making Oxford an inclusive environment where we feel respected and valued.

I'm autistic, and I have an anxiety disorder. My tutors were understanding and always supported me. I hope no one is put off from applying to Oxford if they're disabled, because as much as it is a challenge, it is an incredible opportunity.

Chris, graduated 2014 (OUSU Welfare & Equal Opportunities Officer)

I co-ordinated a campaign called 'Bye Bi Prejudice', which brings attention to the hurtful stereotypes faced by people who are nonmonosexual.

Adam, 4th year (OUSU LGBTQ Officer)

23/0 of all students identify as Black or Minority Ethnic

# Equality-focussed activities include:

- Gender: the Women's Campaign within Oxford University Student Union (OUSU) tinyurl.com/l2nnm9m; Sexual Consent and Good Lad workshops.
- Ethnicity: CRAE (the OUSU Campaign for Racial Awareness and Equality)
   tinyurl.com/l7p3l76
- LGBTQ issues (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer or questioning): OUSU LGBTQ Campaign tinyurl.com/m4syo47; LGBTQ Society oulgbtsoc.org.uk
- Religion and belief: worship facilities for a wide variety of faiths tinyurl.com/k5tyz3e
- Disability: support for disabled students ox.ac.uk/students/ welfare/disability
- Care leavers and looked-afterchildren: one-on-one meetings at open days and support throughout your time here. 01865 280649, tara.prayag@admin.ox.ac.uk

I organised weekly welfare events for trans students where I met lots of other students like me, created an online resource centre for trans students, and worked with colleges to help them support students who want to come out as trans.

Crash, 3rd year (Previously, LGBTQ Society Trans Rep / Chair of LGBTQ Campaign)



# International Students

We encourage applications from academically strong students from around the world, and welcome the diversity international students contribute to the University.



Download the International Students guide at ox.ac.uk/int

Over a third of our students (including 17% of undergraduates) are international citizens, and come from 140 countries. Student societies represent most countries in the world.

In a survey of international students at 53 UK universities, Oxford was rated for satisfaction:

Good place to be	98%
Expert lecturers	97%
Online library	95%
Physical library	93%
Research	93%
Course content	91%

Source: International Student Barometer, IGI Services Ltd (2013)

#### **Entrance requirements**

You do not have to take British A-levels to apply to Oxford - we accept school-leaving qualifications and test scores from many countries: see the full list at **ox.ac.uk/intquals**. Sometimes, if your school-leaving qualifications aren't sufficient, you might need to undertake further study before applying.

### **English language**

Teaching at Oxford is all in English (apart from some language-specific courses) – to study here you must have sufficient fluency in written and spoken English. If you are not a native speaker you may be asked to take an English test to prove your fluency. See the list at **ox.ac.uk/enlang**.

### **Coming to Oxford**

Our Student Information team offers:

- An International Student Orientation Programme
- Immigration and visa advice

# ox.ac.uk/students/new/international

If you are offered a place to study at Oxford and you are not an EEA or Swiss national, you must apply for a visa in your home country / country of residence before you enter the UK.

# www.gov.uk/tier-4-general-visa ukcisa.org.uk

### **Visiting students**

University students from overseas can spend up to one year in Oxford on a course related to their degree. Visiting students apply directly to individual colleges, not through UCAS.

ox.ac.uk/visiting

### FIND OUT MORE

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# Mature Students 21 or over at the start of October in your first year

Oxford is looking for the best and brightest candidates. irrespective of their age or background. Just like everyone else who applies, mature students need to demonstrate academic ability and commitment to study.

Download the **Mature Students** quide at ox.ac.uk/mature

### Which college?

As a mature student, you can apply to any college. One college (Harris Manchester) and three of the Permanent Private Halls (Blackfriars, St Stephen's House and Wycliffe Hall) take only mature students. An environment specifically catering for mature students can provide excellent peer support in which to enjoy the varied and fast-paced life of Oxford.

### Accommodation

All undergraduate degrees at Oxford involve intense study and high levels of commitment. Undergraduate students are required to be resident in the city during term time: either in college, in other accommodation within 6 miles of the city centre, or within 25 miles, if it is your family home.

### Qualifications and study skills

Tutors will take your work experience and life skills into account, but it's essential that you have also undertaken formal academic qualifications within the three years before you apply. We need to be sure that you will be able to cope with the demands of academic study at Oxford. Many different academic qualifications could be acceptable: see ox.ac.uk/enregs

### **Department for Continuing Education**

The Department for Continuing Education offers a variety of courses for mature students, including Foundation Certificates in English and History. If you do well enough you could progress to a degree at Oxford by applying to join the second year of an English or History degree course. They also offer part-time Undergraduate Certificates, Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas in many subjects. Some may be studied online, and all earn nationally recognised credits. www.conted.ox.ac.uk

### Second undergraduate degrees

Studying for a second undergraduate degree is a common route for students who decide to change direction in their education or to pursue a new area of study. The application procedure and entrance requirements are exactly the same, except that you will be expected to have a good academic record from your first degree (usually at least a 2:1). You may apply for 'Senior Status', which gives direct entry to the second year of the course: ox.ac.uk/sud

Studying for a second undergraduate degree will have funding implications: see ox.ac.uk/elg





Visit
ox.ac.uk/
opendays
to get your open
days quide

# Open days 2015

Don't just take our word for it – come and find out for yourself. Get inside parts of the University that aren't normally open to the public – departments, colleges, libraries and more. There's so much to do, but Oxford is a compact city and all the day's events happen within a mile of the town centre. Mostly you're free to drop in as you like, but some events require booking.





# PLAN YOUR VISIT

**Download** the open days guide **Read** our travel and parking advice Some colleges offer accommodation to those travelling long distances.

ox.ac.uk/opendays

Oxford was truly an 'Open' day.
The students seemed really excited and very happy to be at Oxford.
feedback on 2013 open days



# **Events in Oxford**





These main undergraduate open days are the best time to visit Oxford and explore student life, because so many colleges and departments will be open and running events led by tutors and students.

There are other, smaller open days throughout the year, including:

Law	16, 17 & 18 March 2015
Materials Science	17, 24 & 25 March 2015
Classics	20 March 2015
Oriental Studies	25 April 2015
Modern Languages	2 May 2015
Mathematics	2 & 9 May 2015
<b>Computer Science</b>	9 May 2015
Geography	15 June 2015

### ox.ac.uk/opendays

Keep an eye on our website for other events throughout the year, including talks and tours in some UK school holidays:

ox.ac.uk/ugvisit

### FOR UK YEAR 12 STUDENTS

# UNIQ summer schools – July/August

UNIQ summer schools are free, weeklong intensive academic programmes run by current tutors at Oxford. Participants live in an Oxford college and take part in a variety of social activities. Applications are welcome from students currently in their first year of A-levels (or equivalent) at UK state schools and colleges, particularly from schools and areas with little or no history of sending students to Oxford. The UNIQ application deadline is in February. www.uniq.ox.ac.uk

### **Shadow an Oxford student**

Each year, over 200 Year 12 students come to Oxford to shadow a current undergraduate through OUSU's 'Target Schools' scheme. The aim is to debunk the various myths about studying at Oxford, and to increase representation from students whose schools don't have much history of coming to study here. Find out if you're eligible: email studentshadowing@ousu.ox.ac.uk or visit targetschools.ousu.org





### FOR SCHOOLS

### **Pathways**

The Oxford Pathways Programme provides information, advice and guidance on higher education and Oxford for targeted UK non-selective state schools. It runs free events in Oxford from Year 10 'Taster Days' to a Year 13 'Application Information Day'. Schools can check eligibility by emailing pathways@admin.ox.ac.uk or visiting

www.pathways.ox.ac.uk

### Widening participation

Oxford works with state school students aged 9–16 (Years 5–11) in Oxfordshire, Milton Keynes and Buckinghamshire, to help them understand what they could gain from further or higher education, and what type of study might suit them best. From one-hour workshops to residential events, we offer an exciting range of opportunities for a variety of ages and target groups. Get in touch: wp@admin.ox.ac.uk or visit

### FOR TEACHERS

We recognise the key role that teachers, careers advisors and counsellors play in students' decision-making. Oxford offers a variety of events to support teachers in their work, like conferences and study weeks. Find the full list, and sign up for email updates, at **ox.ac.uk/teachers** 

Each year, Oxford undergraduates are asked to make nominations for an Inspirational Teachers Award. This could be for someone who inspired them to apply to Oxford, fostered their passion for a particular subject or supported them through the application process.

Each February we offer a two-day residential conference for international guidance counsellors which provides an insight into all aspects of life at Oxford as well as our admissions process.

... as a teacher she fostered

ox.ac.uk/iqcc

3,200 outreach events, we opened doors to 151,000+ people.

**576**teachers through our teachers' activity in 2014



# Events near you

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### SCHOOL AND COLLEGE VISITS

Oxford runs a range of events for potential applicants. Travelling throughout the UK and beyond, we meet with students, teachers, parents and carers. We welcome the chance to deliver presentations and workshops, and talk with interested students about all aspects of applying to, and studying at, Oxford. Where possible, we encourage schools to coordinate with other local schools because this enables us to work with more students over the year and, we believe, enriches students' interaction. For more details and to arrange a visit, please get in touch:

#### UK

Each local authority in the UK is linked with a particular Oxford college. This means that every school and college has a 'first point of contact' within the University.

These regional links are part of our commitment to engage with schools and colleges, and do not have any bearing on the admissions process.

To find your college link or arrange a visit please see **ox.ac.uk/linkcolls** 



#### International

We hold events for prospective applicants, their parents and careers counsellors in a number of countries around the world, with presentations tailored to different audiences. If we can't come to your school in person, we will be happy to deliver a Skype presentation to students.

For information on events in your country please email internationalrecruitment@admin.ox.ac.uk

or see ox.ac.uk/intvisit





Students and teachers attended the Oxford and Cambridge Student Conferences in 2014



### CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS

#### For schools

Oxford University attends **higher education fairs and conventions** across the UK. These are an opportunity to speak to an Oxford representative face-to-face, to find out more about our undergraduate courses and get advice on the application process.

### ox.ac.uk/hefairs

Oxford and Cambridge Student
Conferences are another way to
find out more about Oxford without
travelling far from home. They take
place in March each year, with detailed
sessions on the admissions process,
student life, interviews, student finance
and the many different courses at
Oxford and Cambridge. Admissions
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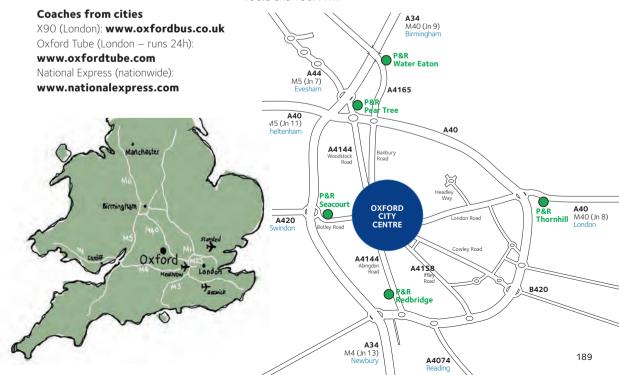
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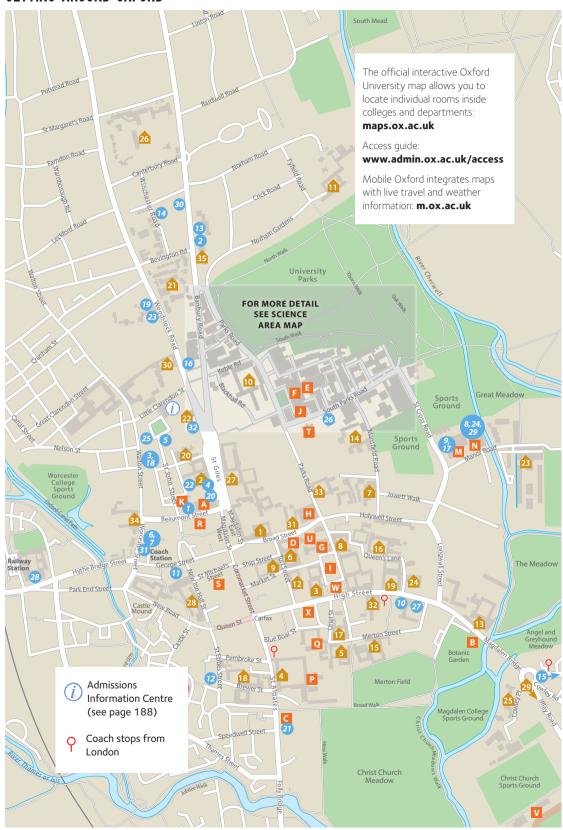
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- 14 Japanese Studies
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- 19 Mathematical Institute
- 20 Modern Languages (Taylor Institution)
- 21 Music Faculty
- 22 Oriental Institute
- 23 Philosophy Centre
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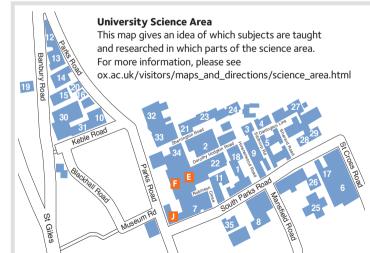
- A Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology
- B Botanic Garden
- C Bate Collection of Musical Instruments
- D Museum of the History of Science
- E Pitt Rivers Museum
- Oxford University Museum of Natural History

#### Libraries

- G Bodleian Library
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- Radcliffe Camera (Bodleian)
- Radcliffe Science Library
- Sackler Library (Classics)
- M Bodleian Law Library
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- Christ Church Cathedral
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- Т Rhodes House
- U Sheldonian Theatre
- Sports Centre V
- W University Church, St Mary's
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