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## Student News



### Week 4 - Hilary 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](#).

### Online examination timetables

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Personal examination timetables in [Student Self Service](#) are replacing paper timetables this term. The new online timetables are print-friendly and include details of any alternative arrangements that you may have been granted and easy access to examination location maps. You will receive an automated email when your timetable becomes available, a reminder prior to the examination and a notification of any changes. You will no longer receive a paper copy of your personal examination timetable. By using Student Self Service instead of paper, you will have access to the most up-to-date information and issues with examination entry or alternative arrangements will be corrected more quickly.

You can access your personal examination timetable under the Examination Timetables link, in the My Exams section of Student Self Service. The screen will not display any examinations information until your timetables are available.

### Studying overseas?

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If you are a full-time graduate student spending more than two weeks overseas for study, you should update Student Self Service with details of your placements. This information will help the University understand whether the services and support on

offer is appropriate and how overseas study contributes to academic learning. It is also required for annual government reporting. 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.

## **Student Money Week 2017**

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A series of online events will be hosted by Student Finance England on The Student Room including live webchats and presentations during Student Money Week, 6–12 February 2017. Topics include advice on student finance for EU students, information on the Disabled Students' Allowance and money-saving tips. You can view the full timetable and register your interest on [The Student Room website](#).

## **Apply for an international internship by 19 February**

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From consulting to publishing, conservation to education, a wide range of international internships are advertised through the [Oxford University Internship Programme](#). These internships are in exciting destinations all over the world and are available exclusively for Oxford students. All vacancies are available on [CareerConnect](#) and the deadline for applications is Sunday 19 February 2017. You can make up to three applications for international internships. Additional UK-based internships will be advertised from Monday 20 February 2017. For help with your internship applications view the [Application Support Guide \(PDF\)](#).

## **Springboard Programme (for female students)**

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The Springboard Programme is designed to help female students become more confident at recognising, creating and making the most of opportunities at university and beyond. The programme will take place in Week 9, Hilary term 2017 and the deadline for applications is Tuesday 21 February 2017. For more information and to apply visit the [Springboard Programme webpage](#).

## **Insight into Teaching – Week 9**

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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 14–16 March 2017 (Hilary term, Week 9). Placements are available in a wide range of schools, mainly in or near Oxford. Places are available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information on eligibility and to apply, visit the [Careers Service website](#).

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## Revision and examination preparation seminar

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The Disability Advisory Service is running 90-minute sessions during Weeks 7 and 8 of Hilary term that provide support for revision and examination preparation. The sessions are designed for students with specific learning difficulties, but other students with disabilities are welcome to attend and may find the strategies useful. Topics will include planning your revision, strategies for remembering information and reducing stress on the day. To book your place, email [disability@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:disability@admin.ox.ac.uk). An overview of examination support is available on the [Oxford Students website](#).

## Support the Varsity games

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Cambridge are hosting Varsity matches for the majority of sports clubs in 2017. Most matches are taking place over the weekends of 25/26 February and 4/5 March 2017 at various locations across the city. If you are unable to travel to Cambridge, you can keep up to date with Oxford's progress via social media, including on the University Sport [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) channels. Visit the [Oxford University Sport website](#) for further information.

## Jenkins Memorial Fund scholarships

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Scholarships are available to undertake study in humanities and social sciences at a Europaeum partner university. Awards of up to £10k are available for periods ranging from three months to one year. The closing date for applications is Friday 17 March 2017. Visit the [Oxford Students website](#) for further information.

## Chinese Government scholarships

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Up to five full scholarships are available to non-Chinese citizens to study a variety of disciplines, primarily at graduate level, at a wide choice of Chinese universities. The scholarships offer up to seven years of funding, including up to two years of Chinese language tuition (if needed). Applications close on Friday 10 February 2017. Visit the [Oxford Students website](#) for further information.

## Australian National University – research student exchange

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There is an opportunity for a current graduate research student studying any subject to undertake a period of study or research at one of Australia's top universities. A travel grant is available to cover economy return travel and a visa. Applications close on Wednesday 22 February 2017. Visit the [Oxford Students website](#) for further information.

## Staying in the UK to work - which visa?

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This session for international students will provide information on visa routes to remain in the UK to work after completing your studies. Presentation topics will include the provision for students under Tier 2 of the Points-based system. For more information visit the [Oxford Students website](#). Registration is not required.

- 12:30–14:00, Wednesday 8 February 2017, Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road

## Sexual health testing day

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Oxford University Student Union (OUSU) is holding a sexual health testing day.

- 11:00–15:00, Wednesday 22 February 2017, St Catherine's College JCR (Junior Common Room), Manor Road

The 12:00–13:00 slot will be prioritised for graduate students. For more details, contact [vpweo@ousu.co.uk](mailto:vpweo@ousu.co.uk).

## Phishing scams

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Phishing scams targeting students are very common, so be mindful whenever you are contacted about finances or asked for your personal details. You should ensure you are familiar with the advice on the [Information Security website](#) including: creating strong passwords; protecting your devices when using public networks; and backing up your work. Students in receipt of UK government funding from Student Finance should also refer to the Student Loans Company [Online safety webpage](#) which includes contact details for forwarding on communication that appears suspicious.

## LGBT History Month: Out in Oxford

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Celebrate the launch of Out in Oxford, a specially commissioned trail through the University's Gardens, Libraries and Museums (GLAM) collections that highlight LGBTQ+ experiences across Oxfordshire and beyond.

- Party at the Pitt, 19:00–22:00, Saturday 11 February 2017, Pitt Rivers Museum

There will be live performances, pop-up exhibitions, micro-talks and interactive activities. The event is free and all are welcome. Booking is essential via the [event webpage](#).

## Oxford Seed Fund – apply for investment

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The Oxford Seed Fund is a student-run fund that invests up to £50k in early-stage ventures founded by University of Oxford students and alumni. The application

deadline for the 2017 funding round is Friday 17 February 2017. Apply through the [Oxford Seed Fund webpage](#). The fund is a part of the Entrepreneurship Centre at Saïd Business School.

## **Vote in the OUSU elections this week**

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Cast your vote for the OUSU (Oxford University Student Union) sabbatical officers 2017/18. You can view all candidates, their manifestos and vote via the [OUSU website](#). Voting opens at 08:00, Tuesday 7 February and closes at 18:00, Thursday 9 February 2017.

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