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# Student News



## Week 2 - Michaelmas term 2014

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](#).



## Women in academic science panel discussion event

Attend a panel discussion, 'Women in Academic Science: Role Models of Success at Oxford', taking place from 17:30-18:30, Thursday 6 November at the Mathematical Institute. The free event will bring together aspiring female scientists with senior leaders in their field to share positive stories and advice about how women can successfully navigate career paths in academic science. Visit the [Alumni Office website](#).

## Oxford careers fairs taking place this week

The University's Careers Service is giving students the opportunity to meet potential employers and improve their CV at three Careers Fairs taking place this week. Find out more now about the [Oxford Careers Fair 2014](#) (14:30-18:00 on Tuesday 21 October), the [Management Consultancy Fair](#) (14:30-18:00 on Wednesday 22 October) or the [Finance Sector Fair](#) (14:30-18:00 on Thursday 23 and Friday 24 October).

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## Sitting examinations in 2014/15?

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The [Oxford Students website](#) includes information on examination entries, regulations, alternative arrangements, submission of assessments, research degrees, timetables, results and academic transcripts.

- **Examination entry during Michaelmas term:** ensure that you are aware of your [examination entry dates](#) and that you submit your entry forms to your college in time to avoid having to pay a late entry fee. Check your Academic and Assessment Information page in [Student Self Service](#) approximately two weeks after the entry date listed to ensure you have been entered for all assessments correctly, notifying your college and the [Academic Records Office](#) of any errors immediately. Please note: You will be unable to check your assessments if you have not clicked the verify button when completing your University registration.
- **Examination entry from January:** the examination entry process is changing from January 2015. You will then be able to enter for your examinations using Student Self Service; entry forms will no longer be posted to your college. Information will be sent to you later in Michaelmas term about this change.
- **Examination entry fees** should be paid using the [online shop](#), before forms are submitted, with the order number written on the form. Applications will not be processed until payment has been received.
  - Late Examination Entry fee - £40
  - Change of Option fee - £40
  - Re-entry to the University examination for the Degrees of BPhil, MPhil, MTh, MSc (by coursework), MSt, MBA, MFA, MPP, and any diploma or certificate (other than those listed under §1 cl. 4(a)(xii) (a)-(i) of the Examination Regulations 2014), if the student is not receiving any further tuition and therefore not paying any composition fees - £156.

## Register to vote in the UK

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In order to vote in elections and referendums you need to be on the electoral register. You can register to vote, providing your date of birth and national insurance number on the [Gov.uk website](#). If you choose not to register you will be unable to vote in Oxford and the student voice could be ignored in the ward in which you live. For more information, watch the electoral campaign [TV advert](#).

## Staying in the UK to work presentation

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A presentation for students wishing to remain in the UK to work is taking place at the Careers Service from 12:30-14:00 on Tuesday 4 November 2014. Visit the [Careers Service website](#).

## **Plagiarism awareness and avoidance workshop**

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A workshop, taking place from 16:30-17:30 on Thursday 6 November 2014 at IT Services, 13 Banbury Road, will provide students with information on how to avoid unintentional plagiarism and put a piece of your own writing through plagiarism detection software Turnitin. (Note that specialist discipline-specific guidance is not provided). To book, visit the [IT Services website](#).

## **Research integrity online training**

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Interactive online courses are available providing an introduction to research integrity (or good practice in research). The courses have been designed to help you understand the key responsibilities you have as a researcher, identify the challenges you could face in meeting these responsibilities and make you aware of strategies for dealing with pressures. Visit [WebLearn](#).

## **Doctoral research fellowships available**

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The Philippe Wiener - Maurice Anspach Foundation provides research fellowships to Oxford DPhil students who wish to spend up to one year at the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB) as part of their DPhil studies. These non-renewable fellowships are open to students from all fields. Apply for a 2015/16 award of €1,800 per month (for between six and 12 months) before Friday 5 December 2014 at the [ULB website](#) or email [fwa@ulb.ac.be](mailto:fwa@ulb.ac.be).

## **Interested in undertaking study or research at the Graduate Institute in Geneva?**

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You can apply for a €1,000 bursary to pursue a programme of study or research at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva for a period of at least three weeks in 2014/15. The Europaeum bursary is normally offered to students wishing to undertake research and study on themes that reflect the concerns - past, present and future - of Europe. Apply before Friday 5 December 2014 at the [Europaeum Oxford - Geneva bursary website](#).

## **Volunteer with Schools Plus**

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Want to make a social impact and add some work experience to your CV? Volunteer with Schools Plus to tutor young people of all ages in a wide range of subjects. As a Schools Plus tutor, you will go into local classrooms to inspire young people to gain interest, knowledge and confidence in their studies. Volunteers will be provided with training, attend social events and add to your CV, while helping others to reach their potential. Apply before Tuesday 21 October by visiting the [Oxford Hub](#).

## **Oxford clothing and gifts at the OU Shop**

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The [Oxford University Shop](#) specialises in Oxford clothing and gifts, with the profits helping to support the University's work in education and research. Receive a 10% student discount off purchases (excluding original artwork, sale items and promoted items) online or in store.

## **Protect yourself from computer security threats**

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Information security is an increasing challenge for us all. For every email that enters the University system a further four are rejected by IT Services' security measures, but around 200 computers were still infected through phishing or malware threats in Trinity term. Follow the simply tips on the [Oxford Students website](#) and read the [Oxcert blog](#).

## **Help contact information**

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It can be a busy time at the start of term and the last thing you want is to be ill or to have hurt yourself. In order to get the best treatment it's important to know who to contact. It is rarely necessary to go to Accident and Emergency (A&E) unless you are seriously ill or injured. Your college nurse or doctor, or local pharmacy, can offer help and advice for minor illnesses and accidents, or NHS 111 offers out of hours telephone advice and can connect you to appropriate non-emergency medical services. Visit the [Oxford Students website](#).

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