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Student News

Preparing for Oxford



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Congratulations on receiving an offer from the University of Oxford, whether unconditional or conditional at this stage. This newsletter provides information to help you to prepare for arriving and studying at Oxford.



Time to think about funding

Oxford offers one of the most generous financial support packages to Home/European Union undergraduate students. To find out what financial support is available to you, visit the [fees, funding and scholarships search tool](#) for an overview of the costs and support for your course.

Information on the financial requirements for international students arriving in Oxford to study on a Tier 4 visa can be found on the [Oxford Students website](#).

Access government funding

To access funding, make sure that you apply to your government funding agency as soon as possible and request that anyone supporting your application also provides their financial information promptly. This will help to ensure that any government funding you may be entitled to is in place as close to the start of term as possible. Find details of your funding agency on the Undergraduate Admissions [fees and funding](#) pages.

Oxford funding

You will be automatically assessed for [Oxford funding](#), but you must give your funding agency consent for the University to see your household income as part of your student finance application. You will be automatically notified if you qualify for this scholarship.

The [financial assistance](#) webpage provides advice on other support available, including for those who are parents or who have a disability.

Enhanced funding

If you come from a lower income household, you might be entitled to enhanced funding:

[Moritz-Heyman Scholarship Programme](#): open to UK residents from a household with an income of £16,000 or less. Provides additional funding, as well as access to volunteering and internship opportunities.

[Lloyds Scholars' Programme](#): open to UK students from a household with an income of £25,000 or less. Rewards outstanding academic performance, provides mentoring and paid internship opportunities and encourages involvement in the local community. Applications to the programme open on Tuesday 5 May 2015 and you are encouraged to apply as early as possible.

Managing your finances

You should take all the necessary steps before the start of the academic year to ensure that your basic funding provision is in place. Taking the time to think about your spending each academic year can make a real difference to your financial situation.

Undergraduate courses usually consist of three terms of eight weeks each, but as a guide you may wish to [budget](#) over a nine-month period to ensure you also have sufficient funds during the holidays to meet essential costs. The [living costs](#) webpage provides estimated costs of living in Oxford which should help with budgeting, while external resources such as the [Brightside Student Calculator](#) are also very useful.

Don't be a victim of fraud

Phishing scams targeting prospective students are very common, so please be mindful whenever you are contacted about finances or asked for your personal details. To read more about [phishing](#) or how to [stay safe online](#), visit the Student Loans Company website.

Note: This email has been sent to conditional and unconditional University of Oxford offer holders. This email does not mean that your place is confirmed.

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