



Course Information Sheet for entry in 2018-19

DPhil in Management Studies

About the course

The University of Oxford's doctoral programme at the Saïd Business School offers high-calibre management researchers the chance to work closely with faculty at the forefront of their fields, to be part of a vibrant research community and to benefit from the resources and reputation of the University.

The Saïd Business School is a young school in an ancient university, but it has already generated outstanding research strengths in many areas, including:

- accounting
- finance
- marketing
- management science
- organisational behaviour
- strategy, entrepreneurship and international business

The subjects of research at the Saïd Business School are diverse, ranging from the automotive, aerospace and telecommunications industries to professional service firms, the health service and the public sector.

The DPhil, which is known internationally as a PhD, offers you the opportunity to engage with internationally-renowned faculty and access to our nine specialist research centres and facilities. The structure and content of the DPhil programme largely depends on the subject area you want to specialise in. There are two pathways you can take to achieve your doctorate:

Financial Economics pathway

The Financial Economics pathway embraces subjects such as asset-pricing and corporate finance, the design and regulation of securities markets, corporate financial policy and the impact of financial markets on real economic activity. Doctoral students engage with research in key topics in finance, which may include asset pricing, corporate finance and financial economics.

Management Research pathway

The Management Research pathway is built on coursework and research in theories of organisations, institutions, strategy, and markets, focuses on using both quantitative and qualitative methods.

Thesis

The DPhil thesis should not exceed 100,000 words and must be a substantial contribution in management research or financial economics. You may choose from a range of methodologies and approaches, but your contribution in the field of theory, methodology or in terms of your empirical results should be relevant enough to be published as a book, or as a series of academic articles.

Support and guidance

Each student has a supervisor or supervisors. Supervisors oversee students' study and research and help advise them on the preparation of their thesis through regular meetings.

Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver this course in accordance with the description set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

Expected length of course

3 to 4 years

Costs

Annual fees for entry in 2018-19

| Fee status | Tuition fee | College fee | Total annual fees |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Home/EU (including Islands) | £16,230 | £3,112 | £19,342 |
| Overseas | £16,230 | £3,112 | £19,342 |

The fees shown above are the annual tuition and college fees for this course for entry in the stated academic year; for courses lasting longer than one year, please be aware that fees will usually increase annually. Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Tuition and college fees are payable each year for the duration of your fee liability (your fee liability is the length of time for which you are required to pay tuition and college fees).

Graduate students who have reached the end of their standard period of fee liability may be required to pay a termly University and/or a college continuation charge.

The University continuation charge, per term for entry in 2018-19 is £468, please be aware that this will increase annually. For part-time students, the termly charge will be half of the termly rate payable by full-time students.

If a college continuation charge applies (not applicable for non-matriculated courses) it is likely to be in the region of £100 to £400 per term. Please contact your college for more details.

Additional cost information

There are no compulsory elements of this course that entail additional costs beyond fees (or, after fee liability ends, continuation charges) and living costs. However, please note that, depending on your choice of research topic and the research required to complete it, you may incur additional expenses, such as travel expenses, research expenses, and field trips. You will need to meet these additional costs, although you may be able to apply for small grants from your department and/or college to help you cover some of these expenses.

Living costs

In addition to your tuition and college fees, you will need to ensure that you have adequate funds to support your living costs for the duration of your course.

The likely living costs for 2018-19 are published below. These costs are based on a single, full-time graduate student, with no dependants, living in Oxford. We provide the cost per month so you can multiply up by the number of months you expect to live in Oxford.

| | Likely living costs for 1 month | | Likely living costs for 9 months | | Likely living costs for 12 months | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| | Lower range | Upper range | Lower range | Upper range | Lower range | Upper range |
| Food | £258 | £361 | £2,318 | £3,245 | £3,090 | £4,326 |
| Accommodation | £536 | £677 | £4,824 | £6,093 | £6,432 | £8,124 |
| Personal items | £118 | £263 | £1,066 | £2,364 | £1,421 | £3,152 |
| Social activities | £41 | £123 | £369 | £1,105 | £492 | £1,474 |
| Study costs | £39 | £85 | £348 | £765 | £464 | £1,020 |
| Other | £22 | £47 | £202 | £419 | £269 | £559 |
| Total | £1,014 | £1,556 | £9,127 | £13,991 | £12,168 | £18,655 |

When planning your finances for any future years of study at Oxford beyond 2018-19, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 3% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at www.graduate.ox.ac.uk/livingcosts.