The One With The Bridge

“The best thing about Hertford is that it actually feels like a home away from home”
Liberty

“I love how down-to-earth everyone is and that it’s so easy to make friends”
Saida

**Number of undergraduates:**

Hertford has a big community of undergraduates from the UK and around the world, with around 120 students in each year group studying a wide range of subjects from across the University’s academic divisions. You can find out how many students are usually in each subject cohort on the course pages of our website.

**Location:**

We’re lucky to be located right in the middle of Oxford, with the University’s Bodleian Library and Radcliffe Camera just next door. We’re also really nearby all of the city’s shops, pubs and cafes, while most of the University departments, labs and lecture theatres are close and no more than 15 minutes away. The University Parks are only a few minutes away from our main site and our south Oxford accommodation is next to Christ Church Meadow and the River Thames.
Accommodation:
We guarantee accommodation for the full length of your degree. All first-year students live in single bedrooms on the main college site in the heart of Oxford, sharing access to kitchen and bathroom facilities. We’ve recently refurbished many of our rooms, all of which have storage, fast Wi-Fi and a good place to work. From second year onwards, you can choose one of our off-site college accommodation buildings, either close to the river in south Oxford or near the University’s science area in north Oxford. These halls are between a 10 and 20 minute walk away and some have ensuite bathrooms. All of our rooms cost the same and every student is entitled to 12 nights of free vacation accommodation. In 2020-21, accommodation for three terms cost £3,264.

Accessibility:
We have a dedicated welfare and wellbeing team who are able to offer advice and support to students with health conditions and disabilities. We’re flexible and responsive to individual students’ needs - please contact us if you’d like to discuss your individual circumstances. We have some accessible bedrooms and our library has a level entrance but other buildings on our main site (such as the dining hall) are only accessible by stairs.

Information about catering:
Three meals a day are available in our main-site dining hall during the week, with brunch served at the weekends (these meals are currently taking place in our marquee due to social distancing requirements). We also have an additional dining room at our south Oxford accommodation and you can choose where you’d like to eat. These daily meals are pay-as-you-go cafeteria style and we’ve got a handy app so you can keep track of your spending. There are also optional candle-lit formal hall dinners twice a week (Thursday and Sunday), which can be a nice opportunity to dress up for dinner with friends. We organise regular special events, from our famous pancake day extravaganza to special themed meals for holidays and festivals like Thanksgiving, Diwali and Lunar New Year. We always offer a vegetarian or vegan option and serve Halal chicken and lamb. We also have shared kitchens available in all our accommodation areas, so some self-catering is possible. Food is charged per item, but an indicative cost would be as follows:

Weekday breakfast: £2.50; Weekend brunch: £3.75; Lunch: £3-£4 (or £1.50 for a jacket potato and filling);
Dinner: £5-£6  Formal hall: £10
**College societies**

Extra-curricular opportunities at Hertford include one of the University’s largest student music societies, plenty of inclusive sports teams and the chance to get involved in subject societies and student politics. Our music society organises three ensembles and our non-auditioning choir, as well as regular performances and events throughout the year. We have off-site sports pitches, a boat house by the river, and lots of college teams for every level of commitment and ability.

We have subject societies for Politics, Economics and Geography (among others) and our Principal regularly organises conversations with external speakers, from former prime ministers to leading academics.

**Other college facilities:**

Our well-stocked library is usually open 24/7 and has lots of the books you’ll need for your course. We also have a popular student bar, on-site gym and music practice facilities.

Our chapel is open to all and we also have a separate multi-faith prayer room.

Hertford is famous for Simpkin the cat – you’ll probably spot him on our website or Instagram page.