Shape your future at Oxford

There are a range of services and tools available to students at Oxford, to help you shape your future and invest in your career. This newsletter highlights just a few of the opportunities offered to our students. For even more information, visit the Oxford Students Facebook page, website and Twitter profile. If you are an international student, scroll down for pre-arrival information.

The Oxford University Careers Service
If you decide to come to Oxford, our Careers Service can provide you with tailored support with your career goals. Whatever career you're interested in, and whichever course you're taking, and whether you don't have any firm ideas, are exploring your options or know exactly what you want to do, you will be offered expert advice and resources. This is likely to include:

- 15 annual careers fairs so you can explore your options and meet employers
- 520 workshops run by our Careers Advisers and visiting recruiters each year
- 5,500 one-to-one careers advice appointments available each year
- Over 12,000 jobs and internship opportunities across 40 different countries, just for Oxford students, advertised on the Careers Service website
- Insight programmes in teaching, academia, medicine, consultancy, marketing and more
- Around 1,000 exclusive micro and summer internships, in the UK and around the world
- Lifelong expert careers advice and job opportunities.

Visit the Oxford University Careers Service website to find out more.

Enterprising Oxford

Enterprising Oxford is a University of Oxford initiative to help encourage and support entrepreneurs and promote entrepreneurship across Oxfordshire. The official portal provides lots of support to entrepreneurial students who want information on starting and managing a business, protecting their ideas, pitching and so much more.

Oxford Foundry

The Oxford Foundry is an entrepreneurial centre that supports all students at Oxford. The aim of the Foundry is to create a diverse, student-led community where
innovation and creativity live and breathe. It provides all students with a space to relax and connect with like-minded people. The Foundry also run a range of inspirational workshops and programmes for students. Find out more on the Oxford Foundry’s website.

Oxford University Innovation

If you're joining us to undertake research, Oxford University Innovation could help you to commercialise your intellectual property. Oxford University Innovation has created over 160 spin-out companies since launching in 1987 - more than any other UK institution. It was also named best in the world last year and continues to help students grow their entrepreneur-driven ventures. Visit the Oxford University Innovation website to find out more.

Paid work guidance

If you do decide to undertake a limited amount of paid work during your studies, whether as part of your academic development or to help to support yourself financially, you need to read the University’s paid work guidelines. The guidelines are in place to help you ensure that any paid work undertaken does not negatively impact your studies or ability to complete your course on time.

Tier 4 visa holders are legally restricted in the number of hours they can work per week and the types of work they can do, further information about working while in the UK can be found on the Oxford Students website.
International Student Information

Orientation events for new European (non-UK) and International students

Your college will send you information over the next few weeks about central orientation events arranged for non-UK students to help you settle into academic and social life in Oxford. The events will consist of a range of talks and information stands to give you additional information that UK students do not require to ease your transition into life here.

You will need to discuss accommodation arrangements with your college before booking a place at the events so please wait to hear from them first. MBA and MFE students should not book a place at the events as you will have your own induction programme at the Said Business School. For further information on the dates and programmes, see the Oxford Students website.
Skype pre-departure briefing dates

Pre-departure Skype events are being held over the summer in the University Offices in New York (Wednesday 25 July), Hong Kong (date tbc) and Tokyo (Friday 27 July) and an additional venue in Washington (Monday 2 July). The Skype briefings consist of a short presentation on visas, orientation, registration and other pre-departure advice. Places are limited so students with a home or correspondence address near the venues will be invited by email. For further information see the Oxford Students website.

International students - Summer Pre-sessional English Course

Are you an international student coming to study in Oxford? Places are still available for the Language Centre's Summer Pre-sessional English Course. Make friends with other international students and gain a head start on your study at Oxford. By taking the Summer Pre-sessional you will develop your research skills, improve your spoken and written academic English and get to know the University and city. The course runs from Monday 6 August – Friday 14 September and you can enrol now via the Language Centre's website.
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