

## Course Information Sheet for entry in 2016-17

### DPhil in Economics

#### About the course

Oxford has a thriving group of research students studying for the DPhil in Economics. The DPhil is the name Oxford gives to its doctoral degree rather than the more familiar name PhD used in most other universities, but the structure of the degree is identical to that of the PhD at leading economics graduate schools worldwide.

You will develop your skills through a range of research training and skills development in your first year, alongside work with supervisors on literature review and study design for the thesis. You will be encouraged to make the most of the doctoral training and research methods provision available across the Social Sciences division. At the heart of the skills provision is the Research Training Seminar where you will present and develop your research ideas and proposals with the benefit of feedback and support from your peers.

You can also join one or more of the department's research groups, becoming part of a vibrant educational research community with an active set of doctoral student-led events, seminars and conferences. You will have opportunities to present your work at a variety of seminars and sessions in the department.

There are two main routes leading to a DPhil at Oxford. The first route is the two-year Oxford MPhil Economics programme followed by a further two or three years of research for the DPhil. The MPhil provides training in economics at graduate level, comparable to the first two years of the PhD programme in the best US universities.

If you have not completed the MPhil in Economics at the University of Oxford but hold a master's degree or equivalent in economics and wish to undertake research for the DPhil then you may apply to be admitted as a Probationer Research Student (PRS).

#### Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions 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

#### Annual fees for entry in 2016-2017

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees
Home/EU (including islands)	c. £4,200	£2,933	c. £7,133
Overseas	£15,295	£2,933	£18,228



The fees shown above are the annual tuition and college fees for this course for entry in the 2016-17 academic year; for courses lasting longer than one year, please be aware that fees will usually increase annually. For details, please see our guidance on likely increases to fees and charges.

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 college continuation charge.

The University continuation charge, per term for entry in 2016/17, is currently £440, 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 to 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 programme that entail additional costs beyond fees 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 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 2016-17 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
<b>Food</b>	£265	£298	£2,384	£2,673	£3,177	£3,565
<b>Accommodation</b>	£469	£667	£4,221	£6,002	£5,627	£8,006
<b>Personal items</b>	£119	£244	£1,073	£2,187	£1,429	£2,915
<b>Social activities</b>	£60	£107	£539	£960	£718	£1,280
<b>Study costs</b>	£36	£73	£314	£661	£418	£880
<b>Other</b>	£19	£44	£197	£410	£265	£547
<b>Total</b>	£970	£1,433	£8,727	£12,894	£11,636	£17,191

When planning your finances for any future years of study in Oxford beyond 2016-17, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 2% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at [www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs](http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs).

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