Course Information Sheet for entry in 2016-17

DPhil in Infection, Immunology and Translational Medicine

About the course

This programme delivers novel, integrated graduate training in infection and immunology within a translational medicine context. It provides the opportunity for research in the basic biomedical sciences of infectious diseases, the innate and acquired immune system and the development and use of therapeutic drugs and vaccines. It consists of a one-year modular course followed by a three-year doctoral research project, which can take place in any of the participating departments at the University.

Applicants are strongly advised to visit the Medical Sciences Graduate School website to help them identify the most suitable course and supervisors.

The course is integrated around three themes:

immunology

infection

translational medicine

In the first year you will undergo three 12-week laboratory rotations and a series of training courses relevant to your work. You will be advised on your choice of courses and laboratory rotation to help tailor an individual student package.

In the second year you will initiate your DPhil project from the large number of projects available; a list of participating supervisors is available on the MSDTC website. This choice will be aided by your exposure to potential DPhil supervisors and scientific areas during the first year. Programme directors will also guide you through this process.

You will present your work from your three rotations to the management committee. Each rotation will be assessed in a different format. The first rotation will involve an oral presentation, the second a poster presentation and the third rotation a written report. There is no formal progression mark towards the final three years; however you have to write a small grant proposal at the end of the rotation year.

In your second year you will write a literature review on a selected topic. Many of these reviews have been published in scientific literature. You will be required to meet standard University milestones for progress and will be monitored formally via supervisor feedback forms submitted three times per year.

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

4 years

Annual fees for entry in 2016-2017

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees	
Home/EU	c. £4,200	£2,933	c. £7,133	
(including islands)				
Overseas	£18,770	£2,933	£21,703	

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	Upper range	Lower	Upper range	Lower	Upper range
Food	£265	£298	£2,384	£2,673	£3,177	£3,565
Accommodation	£469	£667	£4,221	£6,002	£5,627	£8,006
Personal items	£119	£244	£1,073	£2,187	£1,429	£2,915
Social activities	£60	£107	£539	£960	£718	£1,280
Study costs	£36	£73	£314	£661	£418	£880
Other	£19	£44	£197	£410	£265	£547
Total	£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.

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