

**International Guidance Counsellors'
Conference**
17 - 18 February 2017

Friday 17 February

Time	Activity
10:00 am	Arrival and Registration
10:30 am	<p><u>Welcome</u></p> <p><i>Caitriona Woolhouse, Head of Student Recruitment</i></p> <p><i>Samina Khan, Director, Undergraduate Admissions and Outreach</i></p> <p><i>Loren Griffiths, Head of International Strategy</i></p>
10:45 am	<p><u>Ice-breaker Quiz</u></p> <p><i>Charlotte Isaacs, Student Recruitment Officer (Far East)</i></p> <p><i>Dr Eleanor Parker, Student Recruitment Officer (North America)</i></p>
11:00 am	<p><u>Introduction to the University of Oxford</u></p> <p><i>Charlotte Isaacs, Student Recruitment Officer (Far East) & Dr Eleanor Parker, Student Recruitment Officer (North America)</i></p> <p><i>Current International Undergraduate Students</i></p> <p>This session is designed to introduce you to the University of Oxford, within the context of the UK Higher Education system. We will cover academic life at Oxford, introduce the University's distinctive college structure and support for international students.</p>
12:00 pm	<p><u>Subject choice, careers support and life after Oxford:</u></p> <p><i>Dr Jane Chanaa, Careers Team Leader</i></p> <p>Delivered by the University Careers Service, this session will look at advising students in choosing a university course, on-course careers support and post-degree options for students.</p>
12:45 pm	Networking Lunch
2:00 pm	<p><u>Tutorial or Labs Observation</u></p> <p>Opportunity to observe a tutorial or labs session, and/or tour of the department.</p>
5:30 pm	<p><u>The competitive nature of Oxford</u></p> <p><i>Caitriona Woolhouse, Head of Student Recruitment</i></p> <p>Oxford offers a distinctive range of courses which allow students to specialise in a subject from the start. Applying to study at the University of Oxford is competitive. This presentation will give some context on just how challenging it is to win a place at Oxford and how international students are treated in the process.</p>
6:30 pm	Free time – you should make your own dinner arrangements, but we will provide you with details of restaurants you might like to try.

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9:00 am	<p>Refreshments on Arrival</p> <p><u>UCAS, personal statements & teachers' references</u></p> <p><i>Alice Parrott, Student Recruitment Officer (Europe)</i></p> <p><i>Charlotte Isaacs, Student Recruitment Officer (Far East)</i></p> <p>This session will give you the opportunity to reflect on real-life example personal statements and teachers' references to find out what we're looking for.</p>
10:15 am	Refreshment Break
10:30 am	<p><u>Admissions Tests</u></p> <p><i>Caitriona Woolhouse, Head of Student Recruitment</i></p> <p>This session will give you more information about what types of admissions tests are required for Oxford, how they are used and how to prepare your students.</p>
11:15 am	<p><u>Student Panel</u></p> <p><i>Current International Undergraduate Students</i></p> <p>An opportunity to ask current students about what it is really like to study and live at Oxford.</p>
12:00 pm	Buffet Lunch
1:00 pm	Opportunity to take a guided tour of an Oxford museum or library
3:00 pm	<p><u>Interviews</u></p> <p><i>Dr Eleanor Parker, Student Recruitment Officer (North America)</i></p> <p>This session will include a presentation on what to expect from an Oxford interview, as well as two short mock interviews delivered by experienced Oxford tutors and current undergraduate students.</p>
4:00 pm	<p><u>Question & Answer Session</u></p> <p><i>Caitriona Woolhouse, Head of Student Recruitment</i></p> <p><i>Current International Undergraduate Students</i></p>
4:30 pm	Conference Closes
6:30 pm	Drinks Reception
7:00 pm	<u>Formal Dinner</u>