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Trinity term, Week 4



## Student News - Postgraduate

We know that many of you will be taking exams this term, so we want to wish you good luck. We have also included some helpful updates below, to support you during exam season.

Student News is emailed to you fortnightly during term and contains key information, including deadlines, reminders and events from the central University. Further information is available on the Oxford Students website.

Oxford Students website

Examination advice and support



### Sitting exams in Trinity term?

If you will be sitting exams shortly, do check your personal exam timetable carefully to ensure you have been entered for the correct exam papers. There is lots of guidance and support available online, such as: Regulation advice on <u>sitting your examinations</u>, including what you will and won't need on the day of your exams; <u>OXAM</u> for access to past exam papers; A number of <u>supportive resources</u> providing access to a range of self-support, including the popular podcasts series and <u>Academic dress</u> detailing your sub-fusc requirements.



# Trashing campaign gets students talking

The 'Trashing: What a Waste' campaign is now in its second week. Thank you to everyone who is making a conscious effort to consider how trashing impacts the environment, community and the University. We also appreciate the efforts students are making to spread the word. Together we can minimise the waste and disruption caused by trashing. For more information on 'Trashing: What a Waste', visit <u>the official</u> <u>campaign page</u> of the Oxford Students website.

### Get active to help beat exam stress

We know that examinations are stressful, but did you know that physical activity can have benefits for mental well-being? To mark <u>Mental Health Awareness Week</u>, Oxford University Sport will be spreading the word about the impact that leading an active lifestyle can have, and running <u>inclusive fitness classes</u> at Iffley Road.





### 14 May - 20 May 2018 Mental Health Awareness Week

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## Academic Life

### 2017 Student Barometer results published

The results of the 2017 Student Barometer survey were published last month, providing insights that will help improve University services for future students. The Barometer surveys full-time and part-time undergraduate, postgraduate taught and postgraduate research students. This year's results highlighted high levels of satisfaction with academic staff, libraries and the Careers Service, but concerns around Wifi provision and the cost of housing and environmental impact. A total of 7,730 students responded to the survey which represents a 39% response rate, and we are very grateful for all your responses.

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### The student winners of the VC's Diversity Awards

The first ever Vice-Chancellor's Diversity Awards were held on Tuesday 8 May. A range of awards were given out to both staff and students for their efforts in promoting equality and diversity within the University. The student role model of the night was <u>Thais Roque</u> - a Biomedical Engineering DPhil student who is also founder and president of the Oxford Students Refugee Campaign. <u>Oxford African Caribbean Society</u> (Oxford ACS) also took home a prize for promoting diversity through public and community engagement. Pictured below is ACS President, Taiwo Oyebola, and ACS Senior Access and Outreach Officer, Fis Noibi.

Congratulations to all winners and nominees. For a full list of award nominees, <u>read the event</u> <u>booklet</u>.



### Nexus365 - your University email is changing

If you are a taught postgraduate student, your University email account will move to the new cloud-hosted Office 365 service (Nexus365) between Monday 2 July and Tuesday 14 August (research postgraduate accounts are moving with their college or department before Monday 2 July). You will receive emails in advance of the move which you need to read carefully as you will have a different log-in for your email account after the migration. With Nexus365 you will also get some additional Office 365 tools, including Skype for Business, OneDrive for Business, Groups and Teams. Further <u>migration information</u> and <u>Nexus365 service information</u> is available online.

### Student Self Service upgrade and unavailability notification

Student Self Service will be upgraded over the weekend of 19/20 May. In order to carry out this upgrade Student Self Service will be unavailable from 5pm on Friday 18 May and normal service will resume at 9am on Monday 21 May. Details of student systems unavailability can be found on the <u>Student Systems Support Centre</u> website.

## Careers & Entrepreneurship



# Sir James Dyson is looking for problem solvers

The James Dyson Award is an international design engineering competition which rewards students and recent graduates. The brief: design something that solves a problem. The best invention is selected by Sir James Dyson and awarded £30,000. Two runners up receive £5,000 each and £2,000 is given to the winning project from each participating country. Media exposure has also helped previous winners commercialise their concepts. Entries close Friday 20 July.



# Super summer internship opportunities still available

The Internship Office has two programmes currently accepting applications for placements. The next deadline for the Summer Internship Programme is 12pm on Tuesday 22 May. These summer-long opportunities are exclusive to Oxford students, and the current batch ranges from a publishing internship in Brussels to marketing in Tokyo. In addition, there is still a chance for you to apply for work experience in weeks 9 or 10 through the Micro-Internship Programme.

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## Oxford Life

### Don't miss the Leavers' Fair, 6-8 June

If you're leaving Oxford this year, don't miss your opportunity to collect your alumni card at the University of Oxford Leavers' Fair taking place from Wednesday 6 to Friday 8 June at the Oxford Town Hall. At the fair you will also benefit from a double discount at Blackwells, have a 1-to-1 with the Alumni Careers Manager, collect your exclusive leavers' t-shirt, and sign up to hear about what the University can do for you post-graduation. To find out more, <u>visit the Alumni website</u>.



#### What are your housing needs? We want to know

We want to design accommodation that better meets your needs. Help us guide the University strategy in relation to graduate housing and take part in this <u>survey</u> by Friday 18 May. For any questions about the survey, contact <u>graduate.accommodation@admin.ox.ac.uk</u>.



### The MAC wants your views

The independent Migration Advisory Committee (MAC) has been <u>commissioned to</u> assess the impact of international students in the UK. To support this, they're running a survey aimed at UK and International students, to understand their experiences. Responses will be confidential and anonymised, and the survey will help shape recommendations the MAC put forward in their report to the Home Office. We value the benefits international students bring to University life. Please share your views by Thursday 31 May.



### OxCORT replacement system survey - chance to win a £20 Amazon voucher

OxCORT, the system used to administer tutorial reports, is scheduled to be replaced in time for Michaelmas term 2019. This provides an opportunity for review and improvement. Students using OxCORT are invited to participate in a very brief online survey, which is open until Thursday 24 May. Please share your views and leave your name and email address, if you wish to be entered into the draw for one of five £20 Amazon vouchers.

## **Bursaries & Scholarships**

#### Do you want a chance at winning a £250 sporting award?

The Alumni Association is offering five Sporting Awards of £250 each, to undergraduate and postgraduate students who are not in their final year. The awards provide assistance to talented sports people, helping them to excel in their chosen sport, and contribute to the success of sport at Oxford. If you want to receive an award, the deadline for applications is 4pm on Monday 21 May. To find out more about how to apply and the criteria for applying, <u>visit the Sporting Awards page of the Alumni website</u>.



## **Trials & Studies**

# A Study Exploring Whooping Cough Protection in Children and Adults (BERT Study)

We need your help to design more effective vaccines against whooping cough. The Oxford Vaccine Group is inviting healthy children aged 7-15 and adults aged 20-34 or 60-70 years old to take part. For further information, visit <u>www.bertstudy.com</u> or contact us on 01865 611400 or <u>info@ovg.ox.ac.uk</u>

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