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Trinity term, Week 0



Student News - Postgraduate

Welcome back. It's the start of Trinity term. We hope you all had an enjoyable break.

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

Industrial action suspended

Industrial action that was due to take place in Trinity term has now been suspended. The University and College Union (UCU) voted to strike in Hilary term as part of a national response to proposals to change the benefit structure of the USS pension scheme. However, on Friday 13 April, the UCU voted to support the creation of a Joint Expert Panel, and industrial action was immediately suspended. If you have any concerns about the impact of disruption to teaching that took place during Hilary term, please see the industrial action page on the <u>Oxford Students</u> website.

Academic Life

Exam support and advice

If you're worried about upcoming exams and need some support, the <u>revision and assessments</u> page of the Oxford Students website includes advice on coping with anxiety and insomnia during exams. The website also hosts a range of <u>podcasts</u> focused on exam preparation and revision. A number of <u>mock examinations, orientation and preparation sessions</u> are also available to sign up to, for further guidance.



Bodleian iSkills - free workshops in Trinity term

The Bodleian Libraries continue with its range of free workshops in Trinity term, including sessions on finding relevant material for your research, managing research data, reference management tools, measuring research impact, Open Access Publishing, and more. In Trinity term, the series also offers workshops for History undergraduates researching for their final year dissertation. To view the full programme, visit the <u>LibGuides</u> website. Workshops are free but

booking is required. For weekly updates and reminders of upcoming workshops, email <u>usered@bodleian.ox.ac.uk</u> with 'Add to mailing list' in the subject field.

Careers & Entrepreneurship

Skoll Venture Awards

If you have started a social venture and you're at an early-stage of inception, you could be in with a chance of being awarded a grant of up to £20,000. The <u>Skoll Venture Awards</u> is a grant funding initiative open to Oxford University students. Previous winners of the grant include <u>Accomable</u>, <u>I-Drop Water</u>, and <u>BioCarbon Engineering</u> – three successful ventures that have made the press in recent years. The deadline for applications is Sunday 29 April.



New internships available through the Summer Internship Programme

The second 'late batch' of internships available through the <u>Summer Internship Programme</u> is available on <u>CareerConnect</u>. There are a fantastic array of opportunities on offer exclusively to Oxford students. If you haven't worked out plans for summer yet, search and apply before the deadline of Monday 30 April.

Some of the available offers include a <u>Gaming Development Internship</u> with AI Gaming in Oxfordshire, an <u>Education Consultancy Internship</u> with Beijing FG Academy in China, or a <u>Food</u> <u>Retail and Gin Distillery Internship</u> with Singapore Myanmar Investco Ltd in Myanmar. You may apply for an unlimited number of internships with a Monday 30 April deadline. For help with your application, please see the handy <u>guidance document.</u>

Volunteering

Volunteers needed for Undergraduate Open Days

The Undergraduate Admissions and Outreach team is asking for graduate students who would like to volunteer during the University's Undergraduate Open Days in June. The volunteer role involves welcoming visitors and giving directions, so no specialist knowledge about the admissions process is required, and first-time volunteers are also welcome. Open Day volunteering provides an opportunity for graduate students to share their enthusiasm for the University with prospective applicants, their friends and families and to get to know students and staff members from many different departments.

To volunteer, please click on the appropriate date and submit the form: <u>Wednesday 27 June</u> or <u>Thursday 28 June</u>. To find out more, visit the <u>Open Days webpage</u> or email <u>opendays@admin.ox.ac.uk</u>.



Take initiative and tackle local issues

Oxford Hub is recruiting small teams of students to launch new social enterprise projects in Oxford this term. They'll provide the idea and support, and you can bring the skills and energy to take it forward. <u>Find out more and get involved</u>.

Oxford Life

Seven amazing collections - all yours to discover for free

Did you know that students enjoy free admission to the University's gardens, libraries and museums? Explore the 'cool' in early 20th-century American art at the Ashmolean this term, from early experiments in abstraction by Georgia O'Keeffe, to the clean precisionist paintings of Charles Demuth. Learn about the dynamic story of Britain's ever-changing population in the *Settlers* exhibition at the Museum of Natural History, from the arrival of the earliest modern humans to the population of the present day. Drop into the Weston Library to find out about the women who dared to do the unexpected, from pirates to poets and suffragettes to explorers. Then relax in the tranquil oasis of Britain's oldest botanic garden, located just off the High Street opposite Magdalen. Simply show your University Card to enjoy free admission.

Visit <u>Mindgrowing.org</u> to learn more about the University's seven amazing collections and find out what events are taking place this month. You can also sign up to the termly newsletter by emailing <u>glam.communications@ox.ac.uk</u>.

Learn a new language with the Language Centre

Do you want to learn a new language but don't know where to start? The Language Centre is offering Modern Foreign Language 'New Beginner Courses', from Monday 23 April. Courses being offered at beginner level include French, Spanish, Italian, Mandarin Chinese and Japanese. <u>Apply online</u> or visit the <u>Language Centre website</u> for timetables and information.

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