

STUDENT NEWS

POSTGRADUATE - WEEK 6



Academic Life



Avoiding plagiarism with Turnitin

The best way to avoid plagiarism is to learn and the principles of good academic practice. It's not just about making sure your references are correct, or changing enough words so the examiner won't notice your paraphrase; it's about deploying your academic skills to make your work as good as it can be. On Thursday 13 June IT Services is offering a free session for students on avoiding plagiarism. Topics include a tutor's video presentation of how she uses Turnitin (plagiarism awareness software) and how to access and use the Turnitin report. You will have a chance to submit a document, so bring along an electronic copy of an article or chapter you have written. Places are limited and booking is required. [Find out more online](#).

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TRASHING: WHAT A WASTE



A WASTE OF FOOD

Don't waste food and drink on trashing, and don't bring any to exam venues. If you do, food boxes will be available, so that you can donate to local food banks and help local people in need.



A WASTE OF MONEY

Trashing costs the University more than £25,000 each year. Money spent on security and clean-up could be spent on improving student facilities and services.



DISRUPTIVE & DANGEROUS

Non-biodegradable goods are harmful to animal life, while paint damages clothes and the environment. Trashing is also particularly disruptive to those who are still sitting their exams.



Remember, trashing is against the University's Code of Conduct. **It can lead to disciplinary action and a £300 fine.**
For more information, visit ox.ac.uk/whatawaste

Trashing: What a Waste

As we near the end of Trinity term, many more of you will be celebrating the end of your exams. We ask that you please do your best to minimise waste during post-exam celebrations. For more information on the 'Trashing: What a Waste' campaign, [visit the campaign webpage](#).

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Oxford Life



Oxford students share six top tips for helping the environment

World Environment Day is on Wednesday 5 June and to celebrate we have created a [short video](#) with Hertford College undergraduate student Daphne Rutman, and Mansfield College postgraduate student Daria Jensen. In this video they share six things students can do to help the environment.

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Want to win one of five Oxford hoodies?

You still have time to enter our prize draw to win one of five University of Oxford hoodies. Simply complete a [short survey](#) about student communications at Oxford. The results of the survey will be used to help us shape the way we communicate with students in the future.

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Pathways to Oxford - Ope Oreyemi

Ope is a second year Law student at Keble College. He is also the senior access & outreach officer for the Oxford African Caribbean Society (ACS). In this [short blog](#) Ope shares the impact Target Oxbridge and UNIQ had on his Oxford experience.

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The Oxford Vacation Guide

Will you be staying in Oxford over the long vacation? The [Oxford Vacation Guide](#) can help you determine what to do in Oxford over the vacation period. The website contains links to Oxford restaurants, concert venues, museums, libraries, and more.



What it means to be transgender

What does it mean to be transgender? We're back with [the second part](#) of our Oxford Pride video. Postgraduate student Aaron Hughes and staff member Clara Barker, share what they would like others to know about being transgender.

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Sustainability Photographer of the year award 2019 – entries now open

The University of Oxford Sustainability Photographer of the Year Award 2019 offers an opportunity for you to exhibit your skill, gain recognition, and play a really important role: connecting individuals and day-to-day Oxford life with sustainability. You have the chance to be crowned 'Sustainability Photographer of the Year 2019', receive a large print of your winning image, and two runners up will also receive smaller prints of theirs. [View the full terms and conditions](#) on how to enter.

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Oxford SU elections

Oxford SU recently held its annual elections. Below you can see a list of the students you voted for. They will have either just finished their course, or taken a break from their studies, and each of them will start their role on Monday 1 July for one year.

- Vice President Women - Amber Sparks
- Vice President - Charities and Community - Kaya Axelsson (elected in a Trinity Term By Election)
- Vice President Access and Academic Affairs - Ray Williams
- Vice President Graduates - Neil Misra
- Vice President Welfare and Equal Opportunities - Roisin McCallion
- Oxford SU President - Anisha Faruk

Find out more on the [Oxford SU website](#).

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Bursaries & Scholarships



Oxford Saïd-HEC Montréal Scholarship

The Oxford Saïd-HEC Montréal Scholarship is generously funded by Mr Jean Chagnon. As an alumnus of both Oxford and HEC Montréal, Jean has established this scholarship to give others the same opportunity he himself has benefited from. This Scholarship offers an Oxford graduate to attend a postgraduate programme at HEC Montréal. Information on how to apply is [available online](#).

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Careers & Entrepreneurship



Map the System: Global Final

The concluding event of the annual Map the System competition run by the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship will take place on Sunday 9 June from 12.30pm. Map the System is a competition that asks us to think differently about tackling social and environmental change. At this event you will understand how systemic issues can be addressed as six international university teams visually present their research on a topic they're passionate about. This event is free and open to all. Drinks and canapes will be provided. [Register online](#).

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Research & Innovation



Research highlight - New machine learning algorithm can predict age and gender from just your Twitter profile

Researchers at the University of Oxford, University of Michigan, University of Massachusetts, GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, the Max Planck Institute, and Stanford University have developed a method to infer information about a social media account owner based on the information disclosed in their Twitter profile information. A new machine learning system unveiled at the Web Conference in San Francisco this week, learned the patterns associated with different ages, genders, and between organisations and individuals from a data set of over four million Twitter accounts in 32 languages.

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Jenner Institute trials

Aged 18-45, in good health and never had malaria? Get in touch to receive information about our challenge study. Participants will receive up to £2730 reimbursement for time, travel and inconvenience.

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