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#### Stay informed about Brexit

If you have questions about what Brexit means for you, the <u>Oxford and the EU page</u> has now been updated on the Oxford Students website. It gives answers on a range of topics from travel and immigration to fees and funding. The Vice-Chancellor Professor Louise Richardson will host a special event for students on Brexit on Thursday 21 February. There are no more places available at the venue. However, a transcript will be uploaded to the Oxford and the EU page after the event, for those who are unable to attend.

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# **Academic Life**



#### Are your personal details up to date?

So that we can support you during your time at University, it's important that you check and update all your personal details. Information like your name and home address helps us to ensure that all your documentation is accurate and sent to the correct place. This includes things like your degree certificate. Providing us with information about your sexual orientation, religion, and ethnicity, helps to accurately assess our policies and put provisions in place that meet the needs of all our students. In addition, emergency contact details are crucial in the event of a serious emergency. To update your personal details, please log in to <u>Student Self Service</u>.

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#### **Plagiarism avoidance course**

Want to learn about academic writing skills and avoiding inadvertent plagiarism? Attend a free course on Tuesday 5 March from 12.30-1.30pm at IT services. Topics include a tutor's presentation of how she uses Turnitin (the plagiarism awareness software), and an overview of paraphrasing and summarising. You will submit a document to Turnitin to interpret the Turnitin report, so bring along an electronic copy of an article or chapter you have written, along with your Single Sign-on details. Places are limited and <u>booking is required</u>.

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# **Oxford Life**

# Oxford SU Annual Elections

# Your Uni Your Voice Your Vote

#### Make sure you vote in the Oxford SU Elections

It's easy to watch SU elections go by and not engage with the brave individuals who have put their hat in the ring to lead your Students' Union, but it's important that you vote to help set the agenda for the next academic year. Your Sabbatical Team make a real positive change to the lives of students at Oxford. Choosing your favourite candidate for each position will help to shape Oxford for current and incoming students. If that's not enough of a reason to vote; the college with the best voting turnout will also win a visit from a pack of alpacas as a reward! Next time an SU candidate attempts to ask you for your opinion on one of their policies, please take two minutes out of your day to talk to them, and please go online and vote.

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#### Volunteer with the Oxford Hub

Student Volunteer Week takes place next week, which acts as a great reminder to get volunteering.

The Oxford Hub are planning lots of activities for you to get stuck in to. The <u>full range of activities</u> include <u>motivating young people to get active</u>, volunteering at a nursery school, community gardening, spending time with the elderly, and more. If you have any questions or want to get involved, email <u>ellie@oxfordhub.org</u>.

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#### Follow @OxUniStudents on Instagram

Each week this term, a different student will be taking over our Instagram page. So far, we've seen some wonderful posts from @razia.ch, @pespan, @fit\_but\_feminine and @erejones. Follow @OxUniStudents to discover who else will be taking over the account for the remainder of the term. If you want to volunteer to take over in Trinity term, email academicadmin.comms@admin.ox.ac.uk.

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#### Have your say: complete the Bodleian's Reader Survey

The Bodleian Libraries is inviting your to share feedback about the Libraries by completing a short <u>Reader Survey</u>. The survey takes about 10 minutes and will guide decision making to help improve library services. Share your views on areas such as the provision of information resources, the libraries as a space for study, how staff interact with you, information skills and support, and more. The survey will close on Monday 18 February and all responses are confidential. As a thank you for taking part, participants can choose to provide their email address for the chance to win one of ten £50 Amazon vouchers.

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## Welfare & Wellbeing



#### #ActiveatOxford New Year Challenge

There's still time to enter the Active at Oxford New Year Challenge. Upload a photo to Instagram, Twitter or Facebook, highlighting how you get active, and include #ActiveatOxford in the caption. Our ten favourites will win an official University of Oxford hoodie. Entries close Thursday 7 February.

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### **Bursaries & Scholarships**



#### Apply for an Oxford Travel Abroad Bursary

Will you be travelling to a foreign country for an activity relating to your studies? Awards of up to £1,000 are available to students for travel between 1 June and 31 October. For more information visit the <u>Oxford Travel Abroad Bursary website</u>. Applications close midday on Friday 22 February.

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#### Chinese Government Scholarships

Scholarships are available to non-Chinese citizens who are currently registered at the University to study a variety of disciplines at a wide choice of Chinese universities. The scholarships offer up to seven years of funding, including up to two years of Chinese language tuition (if needed). Applications close at 12 noon on Friday 22 February. Visit the <u>Chinese</u> <u>Scholarship website</u> more information.



#### Australian National University – Study Exchange

There is an opportunity for a current graduate research student, studying any subject, to undertake a period of study or research at one of Australia's top universities. A travel grant is available to cover economy return travel and a visa. Applications close at 12.00 noon on Friday 1 March. Visit the <u>ANU Study Exchange</u> <u>website</u> for further information on eligibility and how to apply.



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### **Careers & Entrepreneurship**



# Explore the world this summer with a global internship

Apply for a huge range of exciting summer internships offered through the <u>Summer Internship</u> <u>Programme</u>. More than 200 are available through the programme in over 30 countries. Placements include feature consultancy in Tokyo with Mitsubishi, HIV/AIDS social research in South Africa, writing for an arts magazine in Malaysia, <u>and more</u>. The deadline for applications for this batch of international placements is midday Monday 18 February. All opportunities can be applied to through <u>CareerConnect</u>. Please see the comprehensive <u>application support guide</u> for other ways to get support when applying to Internship Office programmes. Email <u>internships@careers.ox.ac.uk</u> with any questions.

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#### **Social Enterprise Awards**

Have you got an idea to tackle a social or environmental issue? Apply to the University's Social Enterprise Awards and receive funding of up to £5,000 to pilot an idea or take a project to the next level. Get creative, be ambitious, and join our community of entrepreneurs making an impact. Find all the details online and submit your application before Wednesday 13 February.





#### The AI Impact Weekend

Interested in addressing ethical issues around new technology? Whether you're a philosopher, linguist, historian or AI enthusiast, <u>AI Impact Weekend</u> provides a chance for you to team up with

other students and create solutions to a problem that affects us all. This year's challenge is: "how can we use AI to beat bias in recruitment tools, and save the future of fair employment/people selection?". The more diverse the teams and their skill-sets, the more likely they are to succeed. The Oxford Foundry is collaborating with <u>Ernst & Young</u> for this event, and there are exciting prizes to be won.

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# **International Students**



#### Tier 1 Graduate Entrepreneur Visa Endorsement

Interested in establishing your own business in the UK and require a visa to do so? Attend the Tier 1 Graduate Entrepreneur Visa Endorsement Programme session on Thursday 28 February, from 9.15-10am at The Careers Service. Previously endorsed businesses include social enterprises and not-for-profits, tech start-ups, digital education tools, and more. See the <u>Careers</u>

Service webpage for more information.



# Staying in the UK to work - which visa?

There will be a session for international students, providing information on visa routes to remain in the UK to work after completing studies, on Thursday 14 February from 12.30-2pm at the Careers Service, 56 Banbury Road. Presentation topics will include the provision for students under Tier 2 of the Points-based System. For more information visit the <u>Oxford</u> <u>Students website</u>. Registration is not required.

# **Research & Innovation**



# Research highlight: Fresh clues to the life and times of the first known humans

Oxford University scientists have played a key role in new research identifying the earliest evidence of some of the first known humans – Denisovans and Neanderthals, in Southern Siberia.

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#### **Stay Informed**

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