



Become a
**Friend of
Hertford**

Hertfordians through the ages

16th century

William Tyndale, Protestant martyr
Alexander Briant, Catholic martyr
John Donne, poet

17th century

Thomas Hobbes, political theorist
and philosopher
Jonathan Swift, author of
Gulliver's Travels
Edward Hyde, advisor to Charles I and
first minister to Charles II
John Wilkins, Bishop of Chester and
founder of the Royal Society
John Selden, jurist and philosopher

19th century

J. Meade Falkner,
poet and novelist

18th century

Henry Pelham,
Prime Minister
Charles James Fox,
Whig statesman

20th century

Alain LeRoy Locke, writer and philosopher
Evelyn Waugh, author of *Brideshead Revisited*
Dom Mintoff, Prime Minister of Malta
Jeremy Heywood, Cabinet Secretary
Jacqui Smith, Home Secretary
Soweto Kinch, jazz musician
Max Nicholson, founder of World Wildlife Fund
Gavin Maxwell, author of *Ring of Bright Water*
Marian Bell, economist
Charlotte Hogg, COO of the Bank of England
Helen Alexander, CEO of *The Economist*
Fiona Bruce, newsreader
Natasha Kaplinsky, newsreader
Krishnan Guru-Murthy, newsreader

Dear Friend,

Hertford brings together the best that Oxford has to offer. A welcoming college that has maintained an ongoing commitment to fair access for all. A strong community that supports students and academics in their study, stimulating them to pursue their subject to the greatest potential. And a lively, engaging environment where college members are encouraged to question the status quo and challenge the world around them. We prepare our students for the world beyond Hertford, whatever that might look like.

As well as those living and working at the college, Hertford also benefits from a wider community of alumni, friends and supporters. In order to recognise non-alumni who would like to establish and maintain a link with Hertford, we have created the Friends of Hertford group.

We aim to build a relationship with members of this group that mirrors the strength of the relationship we have with our alumni community. Friends of Hertford receive our publications and invitations to our events. As a member, you will be welcomed into the college and we hope that you will feel moved to support our work.

We very much hope you'll join this vibrant community and become a friend to the college.



Will Hutton
Principal



225 postgraduates
25 Emeritus Fellows
24 Honorary Fellows
45 Fellows

Why

does Hertford need to fundraise?

It costs about £9.5 million to run Hertford each year. As well as salaries for teaching staff and support staff, our expenses range from maintaining the buildings to paying the utility bills. We deliberately keep accommodation and catering charges for junior members low.

About 20% of our income comes from fees. Although they go some way towards covering the teaching costs, it costs Hertford much more than that to educate each student – the shortfall is £3,000 to £4,000 for each undergraduate. That shortfall is funded by income from summer conferences, donations, and income from the college's endowment.

8,893 alumni
56 Friends of Hertford
400 undergraduates

Income

Undergraduate tuition fees



Graduate fees



HEFCE and research income



Accommodation and catering



Summer school and conferences



Investment income



Legacies and donations



Expenditure

University contribution



Teaching and support staff



Building and Infrastructure



Catering



Student Support



Library



External teaching



Summer school and conferences



Management fees



UNDERGRADUATES - SCHOOLS ATTENDED



66%
state



34%
independent

GRADUATE SUBJECTS

18% Humanities

17% Medical Sciences

31% Maths, Physical & Life Sciences

32% Social Sciences

2% Continuing Education

GENDER BALANCE

Undergraduate

♀ 55% ♂ 45%

Postgraduate

♀ 45% ♂ 55%



UNDERGRADUATE SUBJECTS

31% Humanities

8% Medical Sciences

31% Maths, Physical & Life Sciences

30% Social Sciences

TEACHING FELLOWS

32% Humanities

10% Medical Sciences

29% Maths, Physical & Life Sciences

29% Social Sciences

UK EU AND OVERSEAS STUDENTS

Undergraduate

UK 88% EU 12%

Postgraduate

UK 54% EU 46%





The benefits of being a Friend of Hertford

Publications

Friends of Hertford will receive the college's Development Office publications. This includes the *Hertford College Magazine*, a record of the college's year published in Michaelmas term, and the *Hertford College News*, a newsletter published twice yearly.

Events

Friends of Hertford will be invited to alumni events. A full list of our events can be found at www.hertford.ox.ac.uk/events.

Visiting the college

Friends of Hertford have the same visiting rights as alumni. OB Quad and the Chapel can be visited Monday to Friday between 10am and 3pm and on Saturdays between 2pm and 4pm. Please contact the Porters' Lodge in advance to let them know when you would like to visit.

Friends of Hertford wishing to visit other parts of the college may be able to do so accompanied by a member of the Development Office. The Development Office is open Monday to Friday, 9am until 5pm. Please get in touch if you would like to arrange a short tour.

Cost

Membership is £50. This covers up to two people living at the same address for five years. The price of ticketed events will be at the same rate that we charge our alumni.

The cost of membership has been set at £50 for five years to cover the publication and event costs for additional members; however we do hope that Friends might be persuaded to support Hertford by making donations as well!

How to join

Please complete and return the enclosed membership form, or contact the Development Office (**01865 279428** or development.office@hertford.ox.ac.uk) for more information.

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A history of Hertford College

Over the centuries, Hertford has often been the underdog, making the most of scant resources to create outstanding academic results.



Hertford was one of the first five all male colleges to admit women.

(1290)

Hertford College begins life as Hart Hall, with the purchase of the present-day Hertford site by property speculator Elias de Hertford.

1548

Principal Randell establishes Hart Hall's academic and operational (although not tenurial) independence from Exeter.

(1625)

The Senior Common Room is constructed as lodgings for the Principal. The entrance of the Hall is moved from New College Lane to the main gate on Catte Street.

1602

Magdalen Hall is founded on the grounds of Magdalen College (and later becomes Hertford College).

(1710-1740)

Richard Newton becomes Principal of Hart Hall.

Newton finances the construction of new buildings, at a cost of £2,000, in the south-east corner of Old Quad (what is now 'the cottage') and a stone chapel on the south side (now the library).

In 1740, Newton succeeds in refounding Hart Hall as Hertford College.

(1400-1500)

Hart Hall absorbs its neighbours, Black Hall and Cat Hall. Buildings are constructed in the north-east corner of Old Quad, some of which remains as Old Hall.

1312

Hart Hall is purchased in 1312 by Walter de Stapledon, Bishop of Exeter, who wishes to found a college. However in 1314, Stapledon moves his scholars to a larger site on Turl Street, which later becomes Exeter College.

The Bridge of Sighs was constructed in 1913, linking Old and New Quads.



1820

Magdalen Hall burns down following an undergraduate supper party. Magdalen Hall's members, under Principal John Macbride, move into the Hart Hall site. The Catte Street frontage is rebuilt and two new blocks are constructed either side of the main entrance to the college.

1877-1922

Henry Boyd is Principal and oversees construction of extensive building work, with architect Thomas Jackson. In 1887, work begins on the gatehouse, Hall (and its spiral staircase), and the north side of Old Quad.

(1805-1820)

Hertford falls into decline due to lack of funds. By 1810 matriculation had ceased and the last students are awarded their degrees. In 1816 Hertford College is dissolved. Part of the Catte Street building collapses into the street in 1820.

1874

Banker Thomas Baring, encouraged by Richard Michell, gives money to enable the re-foundation of Hertford College on the Catte Street site. Michell becomes the last Principal of Magdalen Hall and the first Principal of the refounded Hertford College.

1907

Oxford's first black Rhodes scholar, Alain Leroy Locke, is admitted to Hertford after he had been refused by other colleges.

1913

The Bridge of Sighs is constructed, linking Old and New Quads.

1908

Construction of the chapel is completed.

1901

Work begins on the college's site on the northern side of New College Lane, to create New Quad. This includes the conversion of the 16th century Chapel of the Virgin Mary at Smithgate into what is now the Octagon.

1968

Hertford begins to shoot up the Norrington Table.

1965

The 'Hertford Scheme' (also known as the 'Tanner Scheme') is introduced to attract students from non-fee-paying schools.

1974

Hertford becomes one of the first five all male colleges to admit women.

1990

Abingdon House and Warnock House are built as student accommodation, creating 131 additional rooms.

2000

The Graduate Centre opens by Folly Bridge, creating 85 additional rooms.

1975

Holywell Quad is built, creating 70 additional student rooms, the Junior Common Room and the Bar.

In 1960 Hertford had 12 Fellows and 2 staircases with running water.

2015

Hertford adopts the Living Wage for all staff.



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