



Hertford College
OXFORD



July Open Enrolment

At Hertford College, Oxford

*Advanced English Language and British Culture
Two Week Programme*

SUMMER 2020



An Introduction to Hertford College

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Hertford College was founded in 1282 – it is one of the oldest of Oxford University's 38 colleges. Located in the centre of historic Oxford, our beautiful college boasts the Bridge of Sighs, an iconic landmark of the city.

Hertford College is an ideal setting for students wishing to challenge themselves academically and deepen their knowledge of Britain and British culture.

What to expect from our academic programme?

- You will study in the unique atmosphere of Oxford.
- You will be encouraged to discuss ideas and gain new perspectives.
- You will develop valuable academic and communication skills.

Welcome to Oxford!





Pre-programme task: Aspects of Oxford

This is an opportunity for you to research and present on a cultural, historical, economic, political or social aspect of Oxford's rich heritage to your peers at the start of the programme. It is an enriching experience for everyone involved as it allows the teaching team to find out more about your interests, and for you to find out more about Oxford as soon as you arrive.

Please choose one of the following topic areas and come prepared to offer a 5-minute presentation on your research. If you choose history, for example, you may like to look at a specific period or event in Oxford's history. These topic headings are guidelines only and we welcome presentations on any other aspects of Oxford that you find interesting and would like to share with your peers.

Students work individually on this task and we ask you to bring any power points on a USB stick, as external equipment is not always compatible with our IT provisions.

Here are some possible topic areas:

- Music: classical/contemporary/Oxford bands etc.
- Culture: the arts/literature
- History, including Economic History: e.g. the Rover/BMW plant in Cowley and migration
- The university and the collegiate system
- Geography
- Architecture
- Events: e.g. Mayday, Oxford-Cambridge Boat race, Bonfire Night etc.
- Traditions and Folklore
- Oxford alumni
- Academic research
- Social history

Enjoy your research! We look forwards to meeting you.



DAY 1 Sunday 26 th July	ARRIVAL DAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrive at a London airport. • Travel to Oxford. You will stay in Oxford University accommodation. • Hertford College Residential Advisors (RAs) will meet you. • On arrival: meal and welcome information 						
WEEK ONE							
DAY 2 Monday 27 th July	09:00 – 10:30	TEA BREAK	11:00 – 12:30	LUNCH	14:00 – 16:00	DINNER	EVENING
	Introduction to the Advanced English Language and British Culture Programme English Language Assessment Students complete a placement test. Communicative Activities Teachers and students meet in an informal setting for a chance to get to know each other before the programme formally begins.		The History of Oxford University and an Introduction to the Tutorial System Explore the development of the leading university in the English-speaking world. The lecture is followed by a Q & A session on the university's application process and student life.		Tour of Discovery A self-guided exploration of the hidden corners of Oxford to help you become familiar with this fascinating city		Cultural Activities with RAs

DAY 3	09:00 – 10:30		11:00 – 12:30		14:00 – 16:00		EVENING
Tuesday 28 th July	Aspects of Oxford Presentations by students based on the pre-programme task. Each mini presentation will be followed by a question and answer session.	TEA BREAK	Aspects of Oxford continued British Etiquette Etiquette is the code of polite behaviour in society. Discuss and learn what is considered acceptable and appropriate.	LUNCH	Welcome Tea at 3.00pm Sample a delicious and traditional cream tea in the splendid surroundings of Hertford College's historic dining hall.	DINNER	Cultural Activities with RAs
DAY 4	The History of the English Language A study of the development of the English language, from the language spoken by the first invaders to the different versions existing around the world today	TEA BREAK	Presentations Workshop 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An introduction to student presentations • How to plan and deliver a presentation effectively 	LUNCH	Current Affairs The language of journalism - an exploration of daily publications and their journalistic influence on society	DINNER	Cultural Activities with RAs

DAY 5 Thursday 30 th July	09:00 – 10:30	TEA BREAK	11:00 – 12:30	LUNCH	14:00 – 16:00	DINNER	Cultural activities with RAs
	Lecture – Current Business Issues in the UK and EU Examine the latest trends in the UK macro economy. Consider implications for the economy and businesses. This lecture will include activities and discussions and is followed by a question and answer session.		Introduction to London Learn about the history and cultural highlights of the capital city. You will also have the opportunity to study some of the treasures in the British Museum and National Gallery in preparation for tomorrow's visit.		Effective Interview Techniques Learn how to make a strong impression during an academic or professional interview.		
DAY 6 Friday 31 st July	Study Tour – London Enjoy a trip to the capital city and experience all the magical sights and sounds of London in the comfort and safety of your private coach. You will visit the British Museum and National Gallery. You will be accompanied and guided by the RAs.					DINNER	Cultural activities with RAs

<p>DAY 7</p> <p>Saturday 1st August</p>	<p>BREAKFAST (Sign up in advance)</p>	<p>Weekend</p> <p>At the weekend you have free time. If you wish to stay in Oxford, your RAs are available for Oxford activities, such as punting, walking tours, shopping, college and museum visits. Alternatively, some students choose to travel independently to nearby place of interest such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • London • Cambridge • Bath • The Cotswolds • Blenheim Palace • Stonehenge • Bristol • Brighton <p>These trips are not included in the programme price. Your RAs are available to offer advice and support about travel arrangements. Breakfast is served in the morning, but you must sign up with RAs in advance.</p>	
<p>DAY 8</p> <p>Sunday 2nd August</p>	<p>BREAKFAST (sign up in advance)</p>	<p>Weekend</p> <p>Free time (as above). Breakfast and dinner are offered on this day, but you must sign up for them with your RAs by Wednesday (day 4) at the latest.</p>	<p>DINNER (Sign up in advance)</p> <p>Free time</p>

WEEK TWO

DAY 9	09:00 – 10:30		11:00 – 12:30		14:00 – 16:00		EVENING
<p>Monday 3rd August</p>	<p>Academic Debating Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expressing your opinion and comments • Dis/agreeing • Asking for/giving opinions • Language of persuasion • Turn-taking • Rhetorical questions 	TEA BREAK	<p>Mini debate</p> <p>Work in teams to improve your intonation and practise your negotiation skills. You will also improve your confidence in public speaking.</p>	LUNCH	<p>Study of a Literary Icon William Shakespeare: an introduction to the life, language and works of England’s most famous dramatist including the rich idiomatic expressions created by Shakespeare in current use</p>	DINNER	<p>Cultural Activities with RAs</p>
<p>DAY 10</p> <p>Tuesday 4th August</p>	<p>Contemporary Youth Culture</p> <p>Britain has been at the forefront of youth culture since the 1950s. Explore the world of fashion and music enjoyed by young people.</p>	TEA BREAK	<p>Youth Language, Slang and Idioms</p> <p>Learn how social factors have shaped the language used by young people.</p>	LUNCH	<p>History of Modern Pop Music Chart the rise of pop music in the UK and discuss its influence on society, from the 1950s to the present day.</p>	DINNER	<p>Cultural activities with RAs</p>

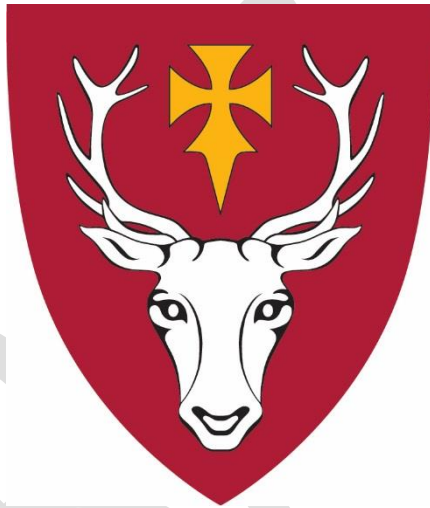
DAY 11	09:00 – 10:30		11:00 – 12:30		14:00 – 16:00		EVENING
<p>Wednesday 5th August</p>	<p>Food and Drink in the UK Learn about local and regional specialities and the history behind some of our famous dishes.</p>	TEA BREAK	<p>Presentations Workshop 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine-tuning of presentations • Emphatic language • Handling questions • Intonation and sentence/word stress • Connecting with your audience • Body language 	LUNCH	<p>Collaborative Writing Activity Students work together to create an effective text. Explore the world of poetic forms including concrete poems and haiku.</p>	DINNER	<p>Cultural Activities with RAs</p>
<p>DAY 12 Thursday 6th August</p>	<p>End of Programme Presentations Students deliver presentations in small groups before an audience. Each presentation will be followed by a Q and A session.</p>	TEA BREAK	<p>End of Programme Presentations (continued)</p>	LUNCH	<p>Presentation feedback and end of course summary</p>		<p>GALA DINNER Celebrate your success at a memorable candle-lit dinner in the historic dining hall at Hertford College where you will be presented with a certificate at the end-of-course ceremony.</p> <p>This is a special event so please wear smart clothes!</p>

DAY 27 Friday 7 th August	FREE DAY Free time (as explained on day 7). Please note that breakfast is the only meal you are entitled to on this day.
DAY 28 Saturday 8 th August	DEPARTURE DAY You will need to check out of your room at Hertford College by 10am.

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