

# Hertford College Donor Report

What we've  
achieved together

2020 - 2021



From an  
extraordinary  
year



Tom Fletcher  
PRINCIPAL

# to an exceptional decade

As I write this report, I find myself reflecting on a year that none of us would have chosen, in which our students, staff, tutors and alumni have had to cope with uncertainty, anxiety, frustration and fear. We have been reminded how much we owe to the scientists at Oxford and elsewhere who pushed back the boundaries of how we confront a pandemic, but also how much we owe to the people who have supported us all through these lockdowns. In the case of Hertford this included the catering staff, porters, cleaning teams and others who worked throughout to support students living and studying in college. It included the tutors who adapted to new ways of teaching and supporting their students as they faced new challenges. It included the students who kept at it, despite the sacrifices they were asked to make on behalf of the wider community.

And, of course, it included our supporters, alumni and friends. At a time where difficult decisions have had to be made, we are truly grateful to everyone who has continued their support of Hertford. Regular gifts, major donations, and legacies all contribute to our ability to keep our operations running without interruption. They help us support our students and develop our staff, and provide a safe environment for them. This Donor Report highlights some of the ways in which you have supported us over the past twelve months, and the impact this has had.



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During this last year, I have learned that sometimes a role like this requires you to be, not do. I experienced the reality that the quiet work of community building is harder online than in person. I came to recognise that sometimes just keeping the ship afloat in the harbour is more important than sailing it off in search of new adventures. We speak often of Hertford's values of kindness, tolerance and self-awareness. All were tested hard this year, but undoubtedly strengthened. Throughout, I've been hugely impressed by the attachment our people, including our alumni, feel to Hertford.

I hope that we will feel some normality returning in the 2021-22 academic year. But we also have to accept that normality will be different. Like everyone, higher education must learn lockdown lessons fast. For me, this means being clear about where we add value, and developing the people and plans to deliver that.

Universities in the future will need to be more open, more digital and more agile. We spent much of the year asking our people what Hertford should aspire to be and do over the next decade. Amongst other things, you told us that Hertford can be a frontline for a better society. And so, in May, we set out a series of aspirations focusing on how we can maintain this whilst achieving academic excellence, pioneering sustainability and opportunity, building community and citizenship, and developing world-class facilities.

As part of this effort, we want to expand our access and student support programmes, with a goal of eliminating financial barriers to studying here. We will reach carbon net zero no later than 2030. And we will launch an innovative 'Head, Hand and Hertford' programme, preparing students for the challenges of the 21st century.

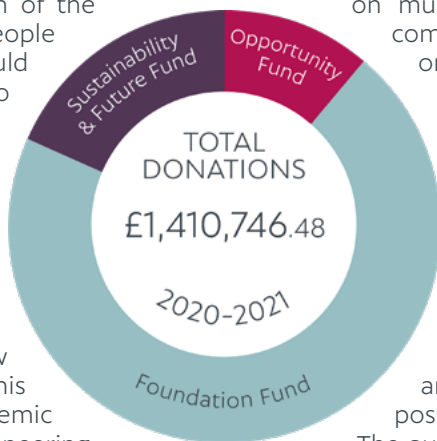
Your continued support is essential to this effort. We have taken a significant financial hit during the pandemic, and we must invest in our infrastructure and people if we are to thrive in the decade ahead. But this is not just about money.

We want you to feel that Hertford is still your home, not just somewhere you come back to for the occasional gaudy. We are putting in place initiatives to make it easier to visit, stay, eat and drink here, and to be part of developing the next generation of Hertford students. Please keep an eye on my regular bulletins for more news.

With the turbulence and distance of 2020/21, we have had to miss out on much of what pulls this community together. The online alternatives have been a vital innovation but cannot be a substitute for the human connection and camaraderie on which a college thrives. As I always tell the students, please think of those rituals, rites of passage and gatherings as postponed, not cancelled. The quad will fill again.

I wouldn't have chosen this year. I had anticipated this role being more handshakes and Hobbes than hand sanitisers and hobs. We were building the plane as we flew it. But I wouldn't want to be anywhere else but Hertford. Whatever year you have had, I hope that it will also strengthen your feeling of attachment to this extraordinary place and this special community.

See you soon.



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# What a bursary means to me



Oxford students have had to find their feet and navigate their studies through turbulent times over the last 18 months. However, Hertford has remained both physically and metaphorically at the centre of my student experience. The financial support the college provides, thanks to alumni donations, is just one of the many things that makes Hertford what it is today. As you'll be aware, term-time at Hertford is a whirlwind of learning, meeting new people, and trying new things – sleep can wait for the vacation! The bursary has allowed me to participate fully in day-to-day Oxford life and experience a world-class education without the weight of financial burden. It's a testament to the culture of inclusion that is found in every corner of Hertford.

Personally, I use the bursary to subsidise my meals and take advantage of Hertford's in-house catering. I truly believe building connections over meals is a central part of college life and the bursary has allowed me to experience this. You don't usually have the same conversations in MacDonald's as you do in our beautiful hall!

Now in the final year of my degree, I am reflecting on the endless opportunities Hertford has given, and I'm grateful for how our incredible community has created a platform for a prosperous future for past, present and future students alike.

**Anoop Dey**

PHYSICS, 2018

Oxford has always been the city I have felt most at home in. Born in Pakistan, raised in Surrey, and now residing in North Wales, I have seldom experienced belonging and stability. Since I came here the very first time, on the UNIQ summer school, I knew that Oxford was the place for me. I have learnt to associate the city with inspiring conversations rather than the pretty architecture (although that still awes me each day), and I continue to be inspired by the people who make Oxford so unique. On my freshers' household form, I was able to specify that I wanted a household with which I could discuss Rousseau and Rossetti one hour and then learn TikTok dances together the next - that conjunction of enriching intellectual conversations interrupted by bouts of laughter is how I'd sum up Hertford. When I received my offer, I was concerned that financial constraints would prevent me from taking up my place at Oxford. I arrived at university grateful and shocked at the generosity Hertford and its donors showed me, and I leave with an even greater sense of gratitude and honour for the acceptance I have been shown.

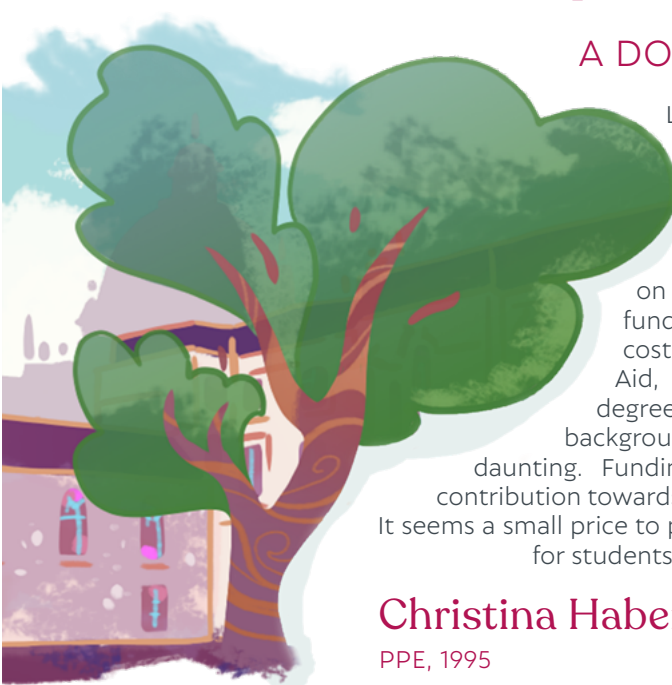


**Sohaib Hassan**  
ENGLISH, 2019

## A DONOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Looking back, I remember my first student loan repayments back in 2001: they were £85 per month. That was it, no tuition fees on top and I could afford the repayments on my starting salary. Now in 2021, funding an undergraduate bursary costs me £70 per month with Gift Aid, while the costs of an Oxford degree for students from low-income backgrounds must seem impossibly daunting. Funding a Hertford bursary is my contribution towards trying to level the playing field. It seems a small price to pay to keep Oxford within reach for students from the poorest backgrounds.

**Christina Haberditzl**  
PPE, 1995



# Accessing Oxford step by step



Over the last few years, and especially during the pandemic, we've been able to consider what really matters in our access and outreach work. While talking to older pupils about the application process will always occupy an important place, more and more we've been thinking about how to work with younger students. How can we empower potential applicants to become more active learners and develop their own thinking skills? Through our different programmes and the various stages of our provision, what starts as one big idea – going to university – gradually develops into a set of meaningful skills and experiences which are eventually passed on to the next generation.

**Nathan Stazicker &  
Dr Kathryn Boast**

OUTREACH OFFICERS

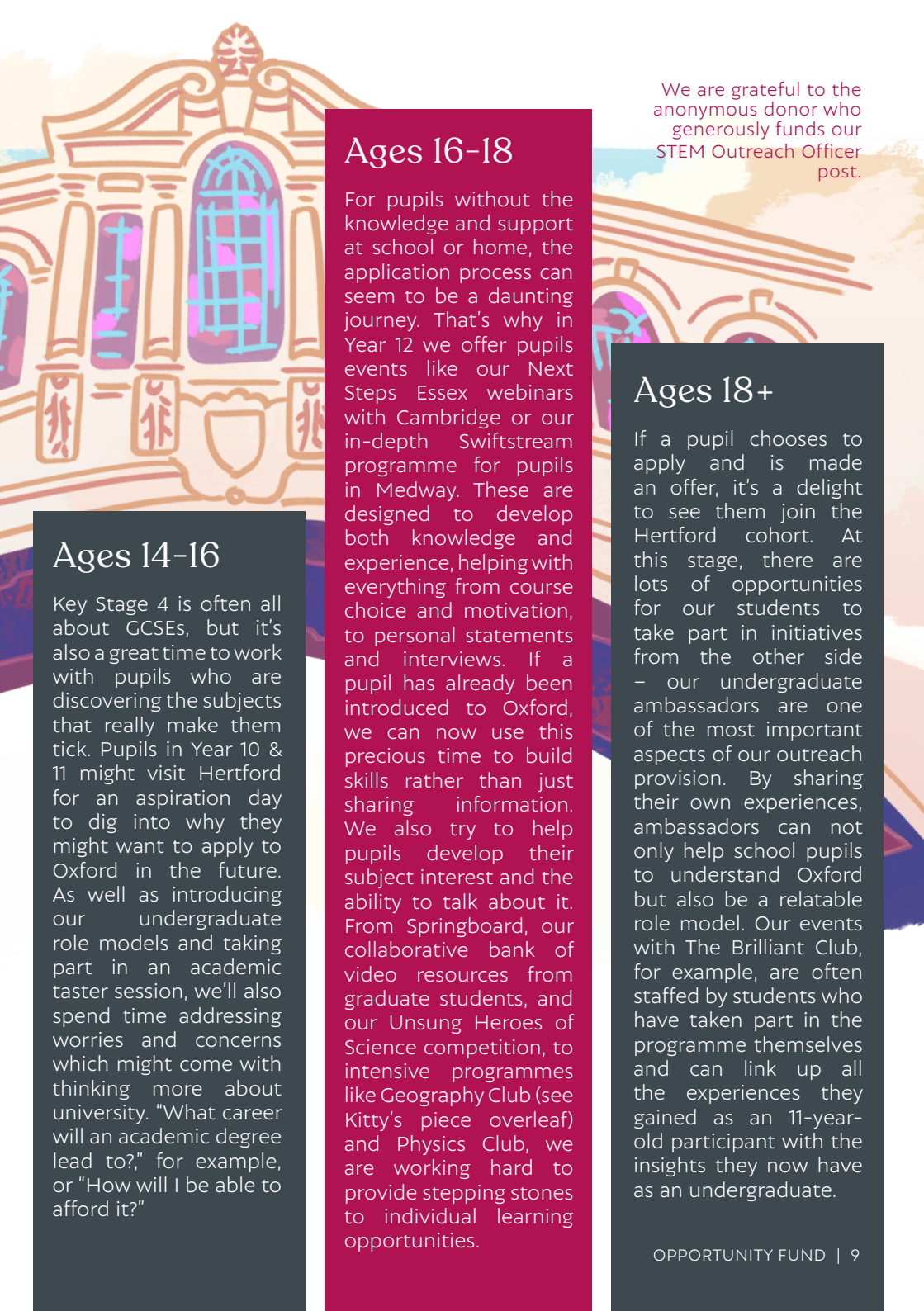
## Ages 11-14

Working with pupils in Years 7, 8 & 9 means we can help them think about what they want to do after school and equip them to get there. We work with these pupils to develop their understanding of university research and what a degree involves, usually with workshops in school or with a discovery day in Oxford. We're working closely with our East England consortium colleagues at Balliol and Wadham to develop new tailored programmes which will support pupils in this age group.

## Ages 7-11

We work with a charity called The Brilliant Club to introduce primary school pupils to the type of research-led learning that they can experience at university. It's really important that pupils in this youngest age group are able to see university as part of their future.





We are grateful to the anonymous donor who generously funds our STEM Outreach Officer post.

## Ages 16-18

For pupils without the knowledge and support at school or home, the application process can seem to be a daunting journey. That's why in Year 12 we offer pupils events like our Next Steps Essex webinars with Cambridge or our in-depth Swiftstream programme for pupils in Medway. These are designed to develop both knowledge and experience, helping with everything from course choice and motivation, to personal statements and interviews. If a pupil has already been introduced to Oxford, we can now use this precious time to build skills rather than just sharing information. We also try to help pupils develop their subject interest and the ability to talk about it. From Springboard, our collaborative bank of video resources from graduate students, and our Unsung Heroes of Science competition, to intensive programmes like Geography Club (see Kitty's piece overleaf) and Physics Club, we are working hard to provide stepping stones to individual learning opportunities.

## Ages 14-16

Key Stage 4 is often all about GCSEs, but it's also a great time to work with pupils who are discovering the subjects that really make them tick. Pupils in Year 10 & 11 might visit Hertford for an aspiration day to dig into why they might want to apply to Oxford in the future. As well as introducing our undergraduate role models and taking part in an academic taster session, we'll also spend time addressing worries and concerns which might come with thinking more about university. "What career will an academic degree lead to?," for example, or "How will I be able to afford it?"

## Ages 18+

If a pupil chooses to apply and is made an offer, it's a delight to see them join the Hertford cohort. At this stage, there are lots of opportunities for our students to take part in initiatives from the other side – our undergraduate ambassadors are one of the most important aspects of our outreach provision. By sharing their own experiences, ambassadors can not only help school pupils to understand Oxford but also be a relatable role model. Our events with The Brilliant Club, for example, are often staffed by students who have taken part in the programme themselves and can link up all the experiences they gained as an 11-year-old participant with the insights they now have as an undergraduate.

# Join the club: a new way to do outreach

Choosing to study Geography at Hertford is probably the best decision I've ever made, so I naturally jumped at the opportunity to develop an outreach initiative to encourage others to do exactly that. The undergraduate course is diverse, challenging, and, in some ways, worlds apart from Geography at school, so Hertford's online Geography Club was set up to demystify university-level Geography for GCSE and A Level pupils. Throughout a series of seven tutorial-style Zoom sessions, we aimed to provoke interesting discussions and prompt critical thinking about a diverse range of topics, from climate change attribution to sustainable development. Each week we planned a presentation and discussion outline for breakout rooms, introducing a new topic from the undergraduate syllabus.

Working as a team of five ambassadors, we were admittedly nervous about how the sessions would go (particularly with over 100 sign-ups ranging from Year 10 pupils to university applicants)! However, we were pleasantly surprised by the enthusiasm and sophistication of ideas we were met with. It was great to see pupils getting stuck into complicated topics and engaging in lively debates. After the final session we were overwhelmed by the gratitude of the participants and were asked when we'd next be running the programme! Having received the Tanner Award for my contribution to the Geography Club, I am so grateful for the contributions of Hertford's donors. The culture of access and outreach at Hertford is really what sets it apart and I hope our efforts have helped to show what Geography and Oxford have to offer.



**Kitty  
Attwood**

GEOGRAPHY,  
2019

We are grateful to the donor who generously supports the Tanner Prizes for Outreach.

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# Jamie Clark

BURSAR



It is now some two years since we agreed our Estates Strategy. Despite the obvious challenges that recent global events have presented, we have been able to make progress in many areas, and I'm pleased to be able to provide a brief update.

When we set out our plans, our scope encompassed new buildings and improvements to the current estate. We knew we had allowed a maintenance gap to grow and needed not only to close the gap, but also to put us on the front foot; prevention is almost always less expensive than cure. In other areas, our future plans will clearly place greater or altered demand on our underlying infrastructure, and upgrading this in key places is thus a pre-requisite. Much of this work goes relatively unseen. The most obvious for current members, simply on account of the unavoidable disruption at times, has been the overhaul of our main site power supply. This £1.2m project is now complete, with several months of cable replacement topped off with a brand-new substation in NB Quad, supporting new power network supplies.



# Built to last: our estates strategy

Artist's impression  
of restored 18th  
century chapel  
space within the  
redeveloped library,  
MICA Architects





This upgrade increases our available power supply fourfold, supporting recent growth in demand and providing capacity for new developments such as the library. It will also allow us to consider a switch away from gas, likely to be a key strand of our carbon reduction strategy.

We also identified a number of small to medium sized projects aimed at delivering some immediate, significant improvements to existing facilities, and have been able to complete a number of these so far. Highlights include a remodelled and extended Lodge (with brand-new post room opposite), and relocation of the Academic Office to a suite of newly refurbished and larger offices – both completed just prior to



Refurbished first-year bedroom in Staircase III of Holywell Quad


the first COVID lockdown. One consequence of the latter event has been extended periods of almost no accommodation demand. We took the opportunity this afforded to bring forward some of our planned upgrade work for student rooms and were able to complete a much-needed full refurbishment of Holywell Quad.

One of the larger projects planned is the development of new graduate accommodation at Winchester Road. This has grown into a joint development with two University departments, and two other colleges, led by Hertford. Each has their own area, which comprises land currently owned by either Hertford or the University. As part of the scheme, we will expand our own share of the site, acquiring two existing buildings from the University. This will allow us to build around 60 units of new en-suite accommodation and a graduate 'hub'. The eventual Hertford facility will be able to accommodate around 130 students, allowing us to offer rooms or flats to all, or most, of our graduates that request them.


Set within a conservation zone, this project presents many challenges, but we have made steady progress through the planning process and hope to be able to conclude our final design submissions for a planning application early 2022. Central to the design is the desire to complement the Victorian architecture and landscape, rejuvenating and enhancing this important area of north Oxford.

Our most prominent and central project is the refurbishment and extension of the library. This £15m development will double the existing space available for both readers and books. It will extend the current footprint under half of OB Quad and up into the Old Lodgings, and will remodel all existing spaces, including the original college chapel which has served as the library for almost 100 years.

The new facility will be home to a modern archive library, allowing us to store and make available on site our entire collection for the first time. It will also include a series of new rooms for meetings, seminars, and collaborative work, as well as a brand-new lecture and hospitality suite, complete with roof terrace (pictured overleaf). The building will also be served by a new lift, providing access to all library areas as well as other rooms in the west range.



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An important part of the planning considerations has been to understand the archaeology of the OB area, and several large excavations have already been undertaken to that end. So far we have found the remains of a medieval cess pit, but more will undoubtedly come to light. We hope to hear the results of our planning application early in 2022. We aim to fund the library almost entirely from donations, and it is thus one of the key priorities for our development efforts. So despite the recent challenges, with which we are all too familiar, the implementation of the estates strategy has been able to continue at a decent pace. We have certainly not stood still, and look forward to now being able to accelerate.

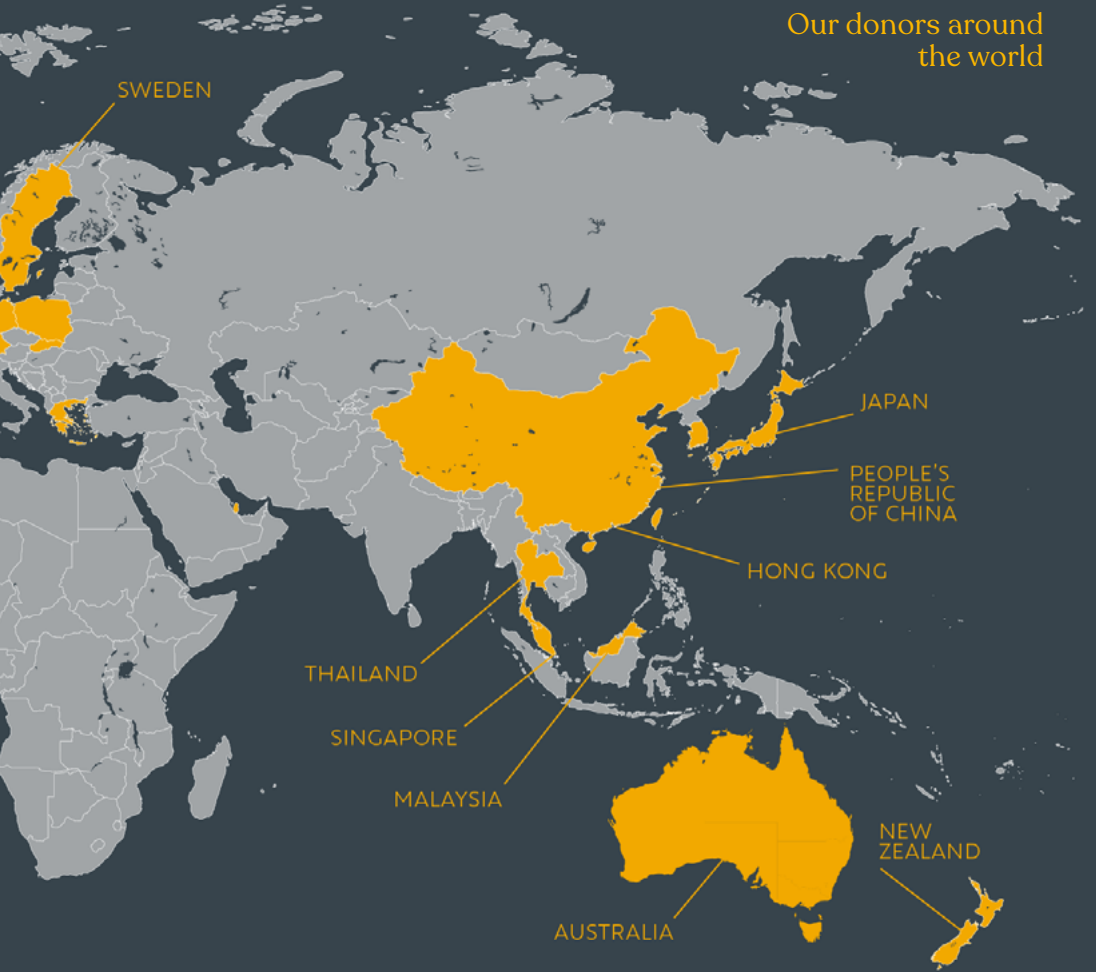


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## Donors by matriculation year

### 1940

John Oram†

### 1944

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### 1948

Michael Fish  
Norman Perrin  
Chris Sellick

### 1949

Jimmy Hartley

### 1950

Peter Coulson  
Colin Curley  
Robert Graham  
Peter Harkness

### 1951

Dennis Bonney  
Roy Burgess†  
George Jupe  
Edwin Pomeroy  
Michael Port

### 1952

John Bowen  
Michael Harris  
Patrick Jeffers  
Colin Morgan†  
Denis Price  
Allan Scott

### 1953

John Crowhurst  
Mike Essex

### 1954

Anonymous  
Thomas  
Charlesworth  
John Ingleton  
Michael Kirby  
David Loewe

### 1955

David Cutler  
John Wroughton

### 1956

Robin Carey  
Gordon Davy  
Mark Drake  
John Lewis

### 1957

Simon Frazer

John Jordan  
Roger Kirkus  
Ronald Pattinson  
Michael Standen

### 1958

Ian Barnett  
John Beck  
Michael Brignall  
Rodney  
Chambers  
Richard Copley  
Ian Gunn  
Richard Hartley  
Timothy  
Lawrence  
Philip  
Myerscough  
Charles Phythian-  
Adams  
Brian Wilson†

### 1959

Charles Gibson†  
David Grant  
Alan Mayhew  
Jeffrey Preston  
Hugh Sturzaker  
Roger Trafford  
Alan Wright  
Colin Wright

### 1960

David Baker  
Iain Cheyne  
Rex Goad  
Chris Johns  
Geoff Martin  
Nick McCave  
Peter Poulter  
Michael Ross  
David Smith  
Mike St John  
Roger Westbrook

### 1961

Anonymous  
Alan Bowers  
Christopher Craig  
Ian Crichton  
Andrew  
Cunningham  
Andrew Davies  
Malcolm Duce  
Martin Friend  
Garry Gauss  
John Guyatt  
Ted Laing  
David Mander  
Eric Martin  
Anthony Quigley  
Peter Sabine  
Keith Sheather

John Staples  
Roger Wheeler  
Clive Williams

### 1962

Robert Bearman  
Chris Brooks  
David Cattrall  
John Doble  
Alan Fearnley  
David Gallifant  
Michael Knee  
Ian Michael  
Richard Scott  
Peter Stokes  
Warwick Wilson

### 1963

Toby Atkinson  
Chris Baron  
Clive Eiles  
Christopher  
Fance  
Leo Horton  
Richard Partridge  
Chris Plunkett  
Ray Proctor  
Paul Thompsonett  
Julian Whitehead

### 1964

Mike Brumage  
Tony Champion  
Jim Cooper  
Alan Dobson  
Peter Edwards  
Julian Hay  
Graham Jones  
Tony Mitcheson  
Chris Morton  
Adrian Oldknow  
Mike Paul  
George Spencer  
Richard Summers

### 1965

Anonymous  
Andrew Blake  
David Cornwall  
Jeremy Dawkins  
Ivor Fiennes  
Graham Griffiths  
Richard Groom  
Mike Henderson  
Alan Hinchcliffe  
Ian Holmes  
Graham Johnson  
Peter Jolly  
Nick Keith  
Rodney  
Nelson-Jones  
Anthony Swing

### 1966

Raymond  
Chadwick  
Andrew Cullis  
Steve Greenwald  
Peter Hollins  
Derek Leslie  
David Levy  
Bob Litt  
Paul Lusk  
Bob Morrow  
Mick North  
Chris Osland  
Rupert Perry  
Peter Titchener  
Alex Vinter  
David Walker

### 1967

Robin Bynoe  
Philip Chapman  
David Clark  
Julian Clarke  
Richard  
Harrington  
Stephen Johnson  
Tony Oliver  
John Ratcliff  
Phillip Runchman  
Robin Selby

### 1968

Anonymous  
Lindsay Bashford  
Meredith  
Childerstone  
John Clark  
Ken France  
Ian Walsh  
Richard Ward  
William Webster  
Paul White

### 1969

Paul Aynsley  
Alex Bristow  
Rod Brown  
Christopher  
Halsall  
Neil Kinghan  
Ken Patterson  
Eric Pawson  
Tom Robinson  
Andrew Seber  
Clive Sherwood  
John Whitaker  
Nigel Wilkes

### 1970

Mark Andrews  
Brian Belchers  
Walter Bodmer  
Colin Bradley

Dinos Caroussis  
Tony Davies  
Chris Dowell  
Tom Greenshields  
Nigel Henson  
Chris Humphries  
Jeremy  
Kenworthy  
Barry Levy  
Henry MacDonald  
Stuart Mole  
James  
Scrymgeour-  
Wedderburn  
Geoff Sears  
Neil Swindells

### 1971

Anonymous  
Anonymous  
David Arscott  
Bill Banks  
Ephraim Borowski  
Kevin Bounds  
Crispian  
Cartwright  
Peter Crowley  
Jonathan Davies  
Matt Durcan  
Mick Evans  
Peter Friend  
Christopher  
Hinton  
Anthony Jones  
Peter Lane  
Neil MacKenzie  
Graeme Marshall  
Philip Masson  
Charles Nixon  
Graham Rogers  
Alan Sandall  
Tony Smith  
Mike Waller  
Thomas Watkin  
David Worskett

### 1972

Bulent Atalay  
Simon Attwood  
Lindsay Forbes  
Tom Hutton  
Peter Ireland  
Stephen Jukes  
John Landers  
Brent MacGregor  
Bryan  
Massingham  
Martin Morgan  
Bernard Murphy  
David Newman  
Pete Owen  
Christopher  
Smale

Paul Stannard  
Jeremy Stevens

### 1973

Jon Billowes  
Nigel Butler  
Phil Davies  
Stephen Gill  
Bob Grant  
Brian Harris  
Mellor Hennessy  
Steven Jones  
Paul Masters  
Peter Newman  
Stephen Pratt  
Mark Szymanski  
Mark Teversham  
Clive Thomas  
Alan White  
Mark White

### 1974

Alice & Rob  
Barrigan  
Paul Batho  
David Carter  
David Harrison  
John Johnson  
Stephen Kinsey  
Anthony  
Longworth  
Anne McGlashan  
David Pannick  
David Reynolds  
Pat Rhodes  
Cara Rodger  
Graham Soundy  
Martin Spencer  
Kate Stross  
Stephen Taylor  
Boris Tyzduk  
Tim Wheeler

### 1975

Rosalind & Mark  
Atkins  
Philippa Jones  
Robert Lusardi  
John Mason  
Dave McCabe  
Stuart McLaren  
John Needham  
Nicola Prior  
Michael Ratcliff  
Paul Simpson  
Kirk Tellwright  
Sarah Walker  
Richard Watts  
Kevin Wesbroom  
Kenneth White

### 1976

Robin Arthur

Jane Bird  
David Brennan  
Nick Fishwick  
Jon Fitton  
John Hughes  
Barry Lester  
Janet McCourt  
Peter Norman  
Alan Radford  
Neil Simister  
Julian Worth

### 1977

Hilary Allison  
Tessa Bamford  
Marian Bell  
Amanda Benton  
Ann Brown  
Tony Donovan  
Dermot Doughty  
Henrietta Ewart  
Edward Fisher  
Jenny Hopper  
Robert Mellors  
Nick O'Brien  
Richard Quinn  
Robert Taylor  
Adam Williams

### 1978

Jenifer Batten  
Duncan Brack  
Xanthe Brooke  
Naomi & Michael  
Clarke  
Angela Fane  
Sarah Gooden  
Trevor Hicks  
Rose Jackson  
Adam Johnson  
Ian Jones  
Michael Joynson  
Claude LeBrun  
Simon Leefe  
Peter Manning  
Peter Mills  
David Moon  
Dix Roberts  
Fiona Robertson  
Bob Smith  
Eileen Thomas  
Peter Whatley  
George Yarrow

### 1979

Anonymous  
Francesca Barrow  
Kevin Brown  
Bridget Calvert  
Joanne Carter  
David Cooke  
Philip Dutton  
Sarah Hewitt

Philip Jones  
Rod MacRorie  
Oliver O'Toole  
David Rendell  
& Alison Smith  
Debbie Sarjant  
Andrew Stewart  
Mary Wood

### 1980

Anonymous  
Stephen Bell  
Eric Beste  
Rachel Blissett  
Alastair Blundell  
Andrew Callard  
Emilio Cattaneo  
John Clark  
Roger Edbrooke  
Ed Farquharson  
Robert Fletcher  
Christopher  
Godfrey  
Julie Hazell  
Catherine  
Henderson  
David Hibbs  
Angela Hill  
Chris Hornby  
Kathryn Hough  
Matthew Jackson  
Jeffrey John  
Philip Jones  
David Knight  
Simone Lobo  
Fiona Macaulay  
Garrett Nagle  
Jonathan Searle  
Andy Tighe

### 1981

Thomas  
Bloodworth  
Julia Brookes  
David Eatough  
Ian & Nicky  
Gatt  
Mark Glover  
Carl Gorham  
Guy Leaf  
Penny Neu  
John Nixon  
Steve Payne  
Amanda  
Rumming  
Kath Shailer  
Judy Shaw  
Jacqui Smith  
Alison Thompson  
Ian Valentine  
Gerry Wait  
Jeremy White  
Lorne Whiteway

### 1982

Anonymous  
Michael Adamson  
Frank Ashcroft  
Robin Ashworth  
Yolande Chan  
Colin Cook  
Lewis Findlay  
Fran Gunning  
Eleanor Hellier  
Markus Jaigirder  
Tom Jensen  
Mossy Kennedy  
Phil Martin  
Anna Morgan  
Helen  
Mumford Sole  
Salman Ullah

### 1983

Gilbert Benz  
Jon Coombs  
Malcolm Dowden  
Nick Foulkes  
Matthew  
Greenland  
David Horsley  
Jacqui Hunt  
Ann LoBue  
Paul Meader  
Vicky Pollitt  
Simon Pride  
Gabrielle  
Remedios  
Mike Shiels  
Martin Talbot  
Stephen Tickell  
Heather Walton  
Ian Whitmore

### 1984

Elizabeth Akka  
Graeme Dell  
Paul & Elaine  
Fiddaman  
Paul Inman  
Allan Lees  
Barbara  
McGowan  
John Newman  
Vicky Rietkerk  
Deborah Shears  
Julian Stander  
Fiona Yates

### 1985

Anonymous  
Chris Barber  
Chris Birkle  
Cicely Brown  
Douglas  
Busvine  
John Cowley

Paul Gleeson  
Martin Lipton  
Alan Livsey  
Mark Mayhew  
James  
Newton-Price  
Huw Peach  
Cindy  
von Kaufmann  
Sarah Wells  
Clare Wickert  
Joanne Wicks  
Jock Wills

### 1986

Anonymous  
Sarah Barwood  
Martin Dunsby  
Liz Fry  
Chris  
Harley-Martin  
Mark Herrmann  
Steven Hubbard  
Kevin Jones  
Simon McKinnon  
Helen Murphy  
Adrian Murrell  
Jonathan Park  
Rob Pritchard  
Nick Rollason  
John Schilizzi  
Don Ting  
Peter Wiley  
Simon Witney

### 1987

Anonymous  
Peter Aeberli  
Harvey Dobbs  
Andrew Dodd  
Ailsa Holland  
Louise Hutt  
John Jardine  
Philippa Jardine  
Stephen  
Mawhinney  
Joseph Stokoe  
Ian Thompson  
Karen Thompson  
Judith Toms

### 1988

Anonymous  
Ruth Boardman  
Sheila Chapman  
Michael Christie  
Roanna Doe  
Michael Doyle  
Gareth Dunn  
Susan Collins  
Chris Harris  
Robert Jones  
Robert Keys

John Millar  
Alexandre Nairac  
Jeff Ritter  
Vernee Samuel  
Alison Stevens  
Denise Ward

### 1989

Bruce  
Breckenridge  
Richard  
Butterwick-  
Pawlikowski  
Rosmund  
Else-Mitchell  
William Hancock  
Iain Lownes  
Emily Muffett  
Vincent Nairac  
Todd Pierce  
Eklavya Sareen  
Mark Warren  
Ian Whittaker

### 1990

Anonymous  
Colin Black  
Charlotte Elston  
Duncan  
Farnsworth  
Joanna Forbes  
L'Estrange  
Clare Forsyth  
Rachel Gauke  
Tim Jones  
Isabelle Mast  
Jenny Milligan  
Carol Pearson  
David Shelton  
Daren Wake  
Tim Warburton  
Richard  
Wilkinson

### 1991

Jeremy Goodwin  
Roland Harris  
Judith Hudson  
Hsin Loke  
Gill Meller  
Richard Millns  
Charlotte Morgan  
Heather Newton  
Tim Polli  
Stephen Reid  
Katherine  
Rouendaal  
Stuart Whyman  
Gareth Williams  
Jayne Woodside  
Alice Yew

### 1992

Anonymous  
Mohammed  
Apabhai  
Mike Barnard  
Paula Clarke  
Alastair Curry  
Eric Hayman  
Michael Hunter  
James Hylins  
Andrew  
Longmore  
Nancy  
O'Brien Stuart  
Sarah Ryan  
Joanna Willmott

### 1993

Anonymous  
Douglas Brand  
Hilary Edey  
David Head  
Sarah Hughes  
Andrew Hull  
Alun Johns  
Scott Loftus-Reid  
Aaron Punwani  
Emily Rayfield  
Hugh Roberts  
Pauline Robson  
Natasha Standen

### 1994

Natasha  
Ashdown  
Eleanor Blair  
Ivan Chorvat  
Simeon Gabriel  
Jo Hewitt  
Richard Hogwood  
Andrew  
Huddleston  
Patrick Huggard  
Nick Jefferson  
Edmund Jolliffe  
Victoria  
MacGregor  
Graham Neale  
Alex New  
Catherine O'Hare  
Emma Plunkett  
Rahul Rao  
Guy Reid  
Louisa Reid  
Christopher  
Sheldrick  
Sam Tomlinson  
Ken Yap

### 1995

James Babington  
Emma Cremin  
Harry Dunlop

Christina  
Haberditzl  
Paul Jessop  
Michaela Lowrie  
Catherine Martin  
Matthew  
Middleweek  
Vinay Mistry  
David Parish  
Jenny Perks  
John Smith  
Barney Stueck  
David Tunley  
Victoria Walton

### 1996

Paul Armit  
Lisa Bate  
Oliver Bullough  
Hugo Burchell  
Alistair Feeney  
Adam Gross  
David Ingham  
Mateusz Lasik  
Colin Leckey  
Ian Melling  
Matthew Mellor  
James Redfern  
Alison Sutherland

### 1997

Alistair Allen  
Marianne Butler  
Charlotte Buxton  
Duncan Chisholm  
David Daker  
Matthew  
D'Aubyn  
Nick Geatches  
Aidan Liddle  
Helen Manley  
Chantal Taylor  
Rachel  
Williamson  
George Woods

### 1998

Charlie Apps  
Tom Bashford  
Melissa Ellis  
Tom Elliston  
Rory Galloway  
Marina Hamilton-  
Baillie  
Kitty Hung  
Ann Lingas  
Chris Meier  
Louise Peckett  
Alex Preston  
Amy Reyniers  
Donald Stark  
Catherine Travers  
Nina Winter

Helen  
Wolstenholme

### 1999

Tim Boswell  
Jude Bunting  
Jonathan Butler  
Guy Clark  
Nick Collins  
Sharat Dua  
Dave Harding  
Helen Hardman  
Richard Houston  
Glyn Kennington  
Robin  
Norton-Hale  
Kate & Malcolm  
Parks  
Bao Pham  
Ashan  
Ramakrishnan  
Simon Ramsden  
Sam Roake  
Ben Steele  
Ruth Tarrant

### 2000

Sara Bielecki  
Stephan Bocklet  
Susannah Cooke  
Kelly Hagedorn  
Ben Joyce  
Dan Keyworth  
Beth Mason  
Claire McGowan  
Michael Newbold  
Dan O'Brien

### 2001

Anonymous  
Wahei Aoyama  
Fiona Coady  
David  
Dierksheide  
James Fisher  
James Grigg  
Elliot Hooson  
Christopher Jones  
Jan Lasik  
Huw Lloyd  
Will Lynn  
Marsha Ma  
Robert Pace  
Simon Pritchard  
Zubin  
Rada Krishnan  
Christopher  
Whalen

### 2002

James Gilbert  
Chris Godwin  
Scott Johnston

Mike Loydon  
Samuel Peacock  
Tobi Rufus  
Amy Savage  
Rachel Sharples  
Tristan Walker

### 2003

Nabeel Alsindi  
Judith Cohen  
Laura Elson  
David Genis  
Joern Grotjahn  
Rhiannon Guibert  
Antonia Halker  
Joseph Jones  
Alexander Le  
Jason Millar  
Morag Taylor  
Jessica Tooby  
Daniel Trott  
John Whitworth

### 2004

Hannah Clapham  
Rebecca Cooper  
Bethany Ehlmann  
Timothy Killen  
Edward Lamb  
John Marnham  
Viral Mehta  
Peter Orr  
Russ Taylor  
Andrew Voysey

### 2005

Eleanor Bull  
Matthew Collins  
Stephen Forrest  
Emma Gerald  
Alexander Gilkes  
Lisa Inledon  
Emma Jones  
Thomas Lowe  
Thomas Nunn  
Anna Parke  
Paul Preston  
Tom Roberts  
Phillip Robinson-  
Moore  
Anna  
Rose-Morris  
Holly Rouse-  
Sweeney  
Adam Samoon  
Poppy Street  
Kelsey Traher  
Katharine Tuohy  
Robert  
Van Kleeck  
Eric Wilkins

## 2006

Anonymous  
Anonymous  
Shahnaz Ahsan  
Tosin Awoyinka  
Andrew Bergbaum  
Carina Brehony  
Sarah Campbell-Hill  
Dan Cariad  
Dewan Chowdhury  
Emma Davenport  
Henry Fisher  
Jesse Freedman  
Eve Jackson  
Martin Landauer  
Swapandeep Mann  
Isti Nadas  
Sara Nielsen-Dzumhur  
Alex Simmons  
Katie Traxton  
Alexander Woodham  
William Wu

## 2007

Matthew Barrett  
Jonathan Beckett  
Sarah Burton  
Kathryn Copeland  
Simon Coppack  
Ella Davis  
Abigail Dewhurst  
Jonathan Galaviz  
Sarah Harvey  
Rohan Kandasamy  
Amy Kittoe  
Luke MacLeod  
Michelle Sahai  
Mark Smith Emily  
Verstraeten  
Courtenay  
Watson Alex  
Woolgar

## 2008

Anonymous  
Jeremy Boon  
Nicholas Buchanan  
Lauren Cowley  
Reed Doucette  
Martin Gadsden  
Simon Gage  
Ed Grefenstette  
Yousook Hong  
Charles Janeway

Matthew King  
Ling Lu  
Nicholas Smith  
Ollie Stephenson  
Alice Thornton

## 2009

Anonymous  
Sophie Ackers  
Claire Castles  
Natalya Din-Kariuki  
Laila Dowse  
Lauren Eyland  
Dominic Farrell  
Michael Flood  
Sophie Flynn  
Joe Hitchen  
Christopher James  
James Lester  
Thomas Little  
Dan Parker  
Adam Rheinberg  
Earth Sivakul  
Rachelle Tilly  
Adam Tyndall  
Annabel Walker  
Richard Winslett  
Alice Young

## 2010

Yiyang Bao  
Lizzy Fitzgerald  
Timothy Hogwood  
James Holley  
Lloyd Meadhbh Houston  
Fiona Johnston  
Katy Kiernan  
Seaver Milnor  
Sam Parsons  
Tajinder Sandhu  
Brigita Seguis  
Yaoshun Wang  
Sakura Zhi

## 2011

Kiran Barhey  
Jennifer Feyer  
Adam Knight  
Nicholas Ng  
Rhys Owens  
Helen Spooner

## 2012

Joy Aston  
Brian Balchin  
Max Brodermann  
Helen Carswell  
Alice Drew  
Freddie Harris

Justin Hubbard  
Rachel Hunter  
Ksenija Yeeles

## 2013

Jamie Biondi  
Marcus Meer  
Jessica Rush  
Anna Solomkina  
Daniel Valentine

## 2014

Hani Awad  
Khai yen Chew  
Kaitlin Lloyd  
Stephanie Richards

## 2015

Xueying Fu  
Chandan Sinha

## 2016

Jothan Webb

## 2017

Joshua Cleary  
James Howard  
Bridget Simpson  
Mitchell Tate

## 2018

Weidong Chen  
Vicki Herrington  
Philipp Schellhaas

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# Creating a community of researchers

Dr Catherine Sloan joined Hertford in 2019 as our inaugural Porter Fellow for Academic Skills. This role, the first of its kind in Oxford, has responsibility for coordinating on-course academic skills support. Dr Sloan is also a Career Development Fellow, undertaking her own research into the history of childhood.

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My position as Porter Fellow for Academic Skills means that Hertford is able to provide freshers with a comprehensive introduction to university life, delivered both at a Welcome Day in September, and during Freshers' Week in October. Students are introduced to Canvas (Oxford's online learning platform) and our academic skills website which holds study guides for freshers. They're also given practical advice such as strategies for timekeeping and note-taking.

During term, undergraduates have access to different forms of support through Hertford's academic skills programme, from one-on-one meetings to group workshops which target

concerns at specific points of term, such as revision or exam technique. I also organise dissertation workshops for final-year students in all subject areas and run regular 'Shut up and study!' and 'Shut up and write!' sessions for students wanting to better structure their day. These have proved particularly useful for those studying from home or self-isolating.

In general, most students sign-up independently while a smaller number are referred by tutors, the Welfare Team, or as a follow-up to their formal academic



review with the Senior Tutor and Principal. All students also now have access to a range of study skills materials on Hertford's dedicated academic skills website. These include written and video guides on note-taking, avoiding plagiarism or getting the most out of research articles, as well as a study guide aimed at providing additional support for students from under-represented backgrounds. These materials ensure that students in all years have access to academic skills support when they need it, regardless of location, subject or time zone.

In my own research I have moved forward with several individual and collaborative projects, despite pandemic closures making access to archival and library material challenging. My research focuses on the social and cultural history of modern Britain, and particularly the history of childhood, youth and education. Whereas much scholarship has focused on the importance of mass culture in shaping childhood, little attention has been paid to culture *by* children. I look at children's own writings to examine education from the often-ignored perspective of individual learners and their families, rather than educators or officials, and to uncover the long-standing continuities in experiences despite the rise of mass schooling and institution-building. More broadly, I hope to expand on my thesis research to produce a pre-history of youth culture, before the turbulence of the 1960s.




We are grateful to the Porter Foundation for their generous support, which enabled us to establish this fellowship.

## Dr Catherine Sloan

PORTER FELLOW FOR ACADEMIC SKILLS

Dr Andrew Cropper joined Hertford in 2018 as a Junior Research Fellow (JRF) in Computer Science, focusing on machine learning.



# Finding fellowship



Approaching the end of my fellowship, I have recently been reflecting on the overwhelmingly positive impact it has had on my research and academic career. A JRF is a postdoctoral position that allows the holder to engage in full-time research. It is also an independent position, meaning that I do not have an academic supervisor.

This independence has allowed me to work on a non-mainstream research topic. In machine learning, the vast majority of research focuses on 'big data' methods which require huge amounts of data and computational power – typically this means hundreds of power-hungry computers. By contrast, my research focuses on methods that require little training data and which run on standard laptops. This 'small data' approach is important because for many important problems we do not have access to thousands of examples to learn from. Without the freedom of a JRF position, I may not have been able to work on this unorthodox yet valuable approach.

In addition to research, I am grateful for opportunities during the JRF to teach and supervise students, including several excellent Hertford undergraduates. One of the students whose summer project I supervised has now continued into the DPhil programme at Oxford and I am currently supervising two more Hertford student projects. I have also benefitted enormously from meeting other college

members from across a broad range of disciplines; talking over lunches and dinners has been a particular highlight.

I cannot overstate the positive impact of the JRF has had on my academic career, and I am extremely grateful for the generosity of the donor who supported this post. It has allowed me to transition into an independent researcher which has, in turn, allowed me to apply for more funding to continue my research. Earlier this year, I was awarded a five-year Fellowship by the Engineering & Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) to start my own research group to design novel algorithms that themselves design novel algorithms, i.e. to build an 'automatic computer scientist'. I could not have secured this EPSRC Fellowship had I not had my JRF and the support of Hertford. Although the JRF is coming to an end, my connection with Hertford will thankfully not, as the college has extended my association in a non-stipendiary capacity. I look forward to continuing to help grow computer science and artificial intelligence at Hertford and to further participate in this wonderfully supportive and enriching community.

**Dr Andrew Cropper**

JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOW  
IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

We are grateful to the anonymous donor who generously supports this JRF.





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# Planning for the future

I think we've all run out of ways to describe the past year and a half. Unprecedented, extraordinary, unusual, exceptional, the dreaded 'new normal'... None of these rather cliched words or phrases seem to adequately convey the impact of the pandemic or, indeed, the wearying familiarity of successive lockdowns. In any case, I suspect you're all sick to death of hearing about the effects of the pandemic, and if you're anything like me, you'll be itching to start thinking about and planning for the future.

It's tempting to think of this as a lost year, but there have been some bright spells! Barring 2017/18 and its transformational \$2m donation, this has been our most successful year to date for fundraising, continuing the steady upward trajectory which started back in 2015. We're so grateful to everyone who supported us this year, and for everything you've helped us achieve. Turning the college into a COVID-secure environment is no mean feat, and it is in no small part down to the generosity of our alumni and friends that we have had the capacity and flexibility to respond to the challenges that have come our way. It gives us real confidence as we start planning for the future.

Hertford 2030 is an ambitious vision for the years ahead. Academic excellence will stay at the heart of everything we do, and we will continue to attract the best and brightest students whilst also

**Frances Wheare**

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

providing a home for world-leading research. We have a duty to provide a happy, comfortable and stimulating environment for our students - a place where they can learn, yes, but also acquire new skills and make friendships for life. Our facilities, which enable so much of this, are in dire need of an upgrade. And we've committed to do all of this within the framework of reaching carbon net zero and biodiversity net gain by 2030.

**If you're anything like me, you'll be itching to start thinking about the future**

There will be many ways for our alumni to contribute to Hertford 2030, all of them greatly valued. And, like all charities, we will continue to rely on the generosity of our supporters. With your help we can continue to subsidise the education of every single student at Hertford and give them the same experiences you enjoyed. We know that charitable donations are not entered into lightly, but we hope that this report has given you an idea of how we use the money you so generously donate. And perhaps these stories, facts and figures will give those of you who don't currently give something to ponder.

Warnock Society  
visit to Oxford  
University Botanic  
Garden, 2019



“As for so many of us, my time at Hertford was truly formative. It’s an experience I want to be available to others, from as diverse a set of backgrounds as possible.”



Andrew Voysey  
GEOGRAPHY, 2004

# Leaving a legacy



Leaving a legacy to Hertford is a straightforward and meaningful way to support our next generation of students. Whether small or large, all legacy donations play their part in ensuring that we're able to welcome students – whatever their background – to a college which meets their needs.

Members of the Warnock Society, founded in 1999 to recognise the generosity of those who have included Hertford in their will, support the college in many ways. For some, leaving a fixed amount to Hertford suits their plans, while others choose to donate a percentage of their estate. Others choose to leave larger sums still, and this year the college was fortunate to be the sole beneficiary in the estates of two alumni.

Colin Morgan (English, 1952) joined Hertford after a short stint in the Royal Air Force. Prior to this, he attended the Sir George Monoux Grammar School in Walthamstow, where he wrote for the school magazine. Derek Conran (Modern History, 1944) also came up to Hertford

after spending time in the military. He joined the college on a Cadet Commission in the midst of the Second World War which enabled him to spend six months in education before being commissioned into the Royal Tank Regiment. Derek would go on to become one of the founding members (and, later, President) of the Hertford Society, remained a keen member of the Boat Club throughout his life, and took the helm of one of the college's first capital fundraising campaigns to build the Holywell Quad.

Both Colin and Derek chose to leave an unrestricted legacy to Hertford, giving college the flexibility to apply their donations to the areas of greatest priority. This varies from year to year depending on current circumstances, and in this instance we were able to direct both legacies towards the renovation and extension of the library, arguably the college's greatest priority in the coming years.

Our alumni are an integral part of the Hertford community, whether you are a regular visitor to college like Derek Conran or somewhat more remote like Colin Morgan. We hope that you might join Derek, Colin, and many others in remembering Hertford in your will.

# Warnock Society

The Warnock Society was created in 1999 to recognise the generosity of those alumni and friends who have included Hertford in their will. Geoffrey Warnock, who was Principal for 17 years, left a legacy to the college; it was his commitment to our future that inspired us to thank our legacy donors in his memory.

1944

Derek Conran<sup>†</sup>  
Richard Lloyd

1945

Anonymous  
Tim Eccles

1947

Peter Nicholls

1951

George Jupe  
Michael Port

1952

Michael Harris  
David Henderson  
Philip Hobson  
Patrick Jeffers  
Colin Morgan<sup>†</sup>  
Francis Scott  
Tim Stevens

1953

Alan Broome  
David Clay  
Bob Coupe  
Quintin Knight

1954

Malcolm Busfield  
Jim Catty  
Michael Kirby  
David Loewe

1955

Clive Aldred  
David Cutler  
John Langley  
David Moseley  
John Wroughton

1956

David Cressey

1957

Anonymous  
Peter Loveday  
Gerald Paterson  
Ronald Pattinson  
Judy & Peter  
Whiteman

1958

Anonymous  
Rodney Chambers

1959

Charles Gibson<sup>†</sup>  
David Grant  
Jeffrey Preston  
Hugh Sturzaker

1960

Rex Goad  
James Hemsley  
Mike St John  
Roger Westbrook  
Marc Wigan

1961

Christopher Craig  
Malcolm Duce  
David Elkington  
Colin Harris  
David Mander  
Eric Martin  
Hugh Nicklin  
Ken Waters

1962

Chris Brooks  
John Doble  
Neville Gaffin  
Michael Gee

1963

Bob Eastwood  
Christopher Fance  
John Mollon

1964

Tony Champion  
Tim Cornish  
Geoffrey Dobson  
David Hackett  
Graham Jones

1965

John Crook  
Mike Henderson  
Stephen Potel

1966

Peter Hollins

1967

Philip Chapman  
Brian Fortnum  
Edwin Gale  
Victor Reyard-  
Smith  
Ian Reid  
Phillip Runchman  
Robin Selby  
Ian Sharp  
Mike Wyatt

1968

John Dewar

1969

Anonymous  
Colin Berry  
Alex Bristow  
Gary Green  
Simon Webb

1970

Andrew Binks  
Walter Bodmer  
Neil Swindells  
John Wells

1971

Alan Barlow  
Graeme Marshall  
Roderic Mitchell  
David Worskett

1972  
Anonymous  
Peter Dart  
Lindsay Forbes  
Tom Hutton

1973  
Mellor Hennessy  
George Patton  
John Salmon

1974  
Kate Stross  
Stephen Taylor

1975  
John Asquith  
Robert Lusardi

1976  
David Brennan  
Nick Carn  
Bill Jamieson  
Stephen Massey  
Paul Rose

1977  
Amanda Benton  
Edward Fisher  
Nicholas Haag  
Keith Lyall

1978  
David Budd  
Paul Chaston  
Rose Jackson  
Adam Johnson  
Malcolm Wood

1979  
Peter Beckford  
Gary Collins  
Elizabeth  
McManus

1980  
Anonymous  
Jeffrey John

Jonathan Searle  
Sheila Sharp

1981  
Sukhvinder  
Kaur-Stubbs  
Lorne Whiteway

1982  
Isobel Collyer  
Jacquie Glomski  
Markus Jaigirder  
Stewart Kennedy

1983  
Anonymous  
Ian Whitmore

1984  
Julian Stander

1985  
DB Lenck

1986  
Martin Dunsby

1987  
Peter Aeberli  
Jonathan Sharp

1988  
Phil Smith

1989  
Pete Houston  
Ian Whittaker

1992  
Nancy  
O'Brien Stuart

1995  
Matthew Briers

1996  
Jo Briers

1997  
Hermione  
Ruck Keene

2003  
Jessica Tooby

2004  
Andrew Voysey

Other  
Anonymous  
Angelina Gibson  
Will Hutton  
Ann McAfee  
Philip Pentney  
Barry Ryan  
Lothar Waas

“It delights me to know that some future student will benefit from my legacy as there is no better gift than the education and experience of Hertford, which shaped my own life in so many ways”

ROSE JACKSON,  
1978

# Hanging on the telephone

Eloise George (History, 2020) chats to us about her experience as a telethon caller. For more about the results of our telethon, look out for the next edition of the Donor Report.



## Why did you want to join the telethon?

Being involved in the Hertford JCR has made me passionate about the college, the work that can be done and just how vibrant our community is. But it's also made me realise how financially constrained progress is, and how necessary it is to have funding in place. I really wanted to do my bit to be able to facilitate this.

Equally, being in college you sometimes feel like you are in a bubble, so the opportunity to hear the experiences of alumni and where Hertford has taken them sounded really appealing. So it was supporting development, as well as my own personal curiosity, that made me want to be a telethon caller.

## What aspect did you most enjoy?

The variety - I spoke to everyone from doctors to gemmologists, lawyers, consultants and more. I enjoyed hearing from people in a range of careers that either I'd never have thought of, or that have just seemed very out of reach. For instance, I was lucky enough to get advice on

investment banking from somebody who had done high level financial management. It was so cool getting that insight into different industries and worlds. All the alumni were lovely and genuinely enthused to hear about the college and share how much Hertford still means to them. It was really nice to see the lasting impact that Hertford has had on people and that there is still a sense of Hertford community. Also, as a caller, I valued the teamwork and camaraderie with the other callers - our shifts were actually really fun!

## Tell us about your best call

I had a particularly sweet call where I asked an alum for his favourite Hertford memory. He said: "During Freshers' Week, I was in the Porters' Lodge to get a key because I was locked out of my room. I turned round and bumped into a girl, and 30 years later we're still married."



I was also really lucky to have so many great calls after we had a gaudy for early 70s matriculation years, which would have been a completely different Oxford to the one I know: at that time women still weren't even admitted! I also enjoyed speaking to quite a few people who had been recipients of the Tanner Scheme, which is obviously a really big part of Hertford history and set a precedent for our pioneering access schemes. So, getting to hear about that, and understanding quite how strong the legacy of access is at Hertford, how it began, and how we can keep evolving felt really important.

### How does 'Hertford 2030' resonate with you as a student?

Personally, it resonates very deeply. A lot of the time when an educational institution does a fundraiser the students can feel a bit separate and it can feel like a corporate priority, compared to what the actual priorities for the community are. But Hertford 2030 is something that affects the whole community positively, and I like the fact that there are tangible goals to it. Within this 10-year timeframe, we will develop our access exponentially, we will improve our buildings, we will extend the library, we will make sure that we've got more funding, make ourselves more sustainable. The fact that we have these tangible goals for achieving our aims means that I know even after I leave Hertford, I'll be able to look back and chart how these goals are going, and I'll know what the end results should look like. Also, it resonates with me because my matriculating year and the years around me will want to continue to support those aims throughout our early professional careers. What I really admire about the 2030 pledge is that, say in the Sustainability Fund, we aim

to reach net zero carbon emissions, and biodiversity net gain five years earlier than the University as a whole. It's not just priorities that benefit Hertford, it's priorities that aim to set a really strong example. I think it really encapsulates Hertford as a college - we're saying "this is what Hertford is about, and this is the example we want to set for the wider community" and I am really proud of that. I think it's very representative of how the student body feels about Hertford.

### What's your message to those alumni you didn't get to speak to during the telethon?

It sounds very clichéd, but at the end of every bop or every game, as I'm sure all the Hertford alumni will remember, there's usually a chant of "I'm Hertford till I die!" I think that spirit is still really strong. To all the alumni we couldn't reach: you are very much still part of our community, and even if you can only donate £5 towards a project, you are still helping the college to thrive, and your involvement alone helps to keep our wonderful community going strong.

We want you to feel connected to college too. It's not just about pouring money into funds: we want you to then come back and appreciate the results of your kindness for yourselves. So I would really encourage you to come and have a look around - we students are always really happy to see and speak to alumni. I would encourage alumni to get in contact with college, speak to the Principal, or contact the Development Office. We really want to help you understand what we're doing and make you feel as much a part of the Hertford community as when you were students like us.

# Facts & figures

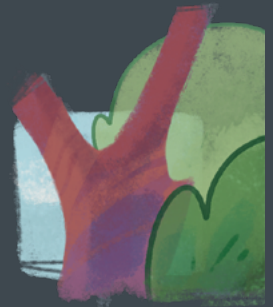
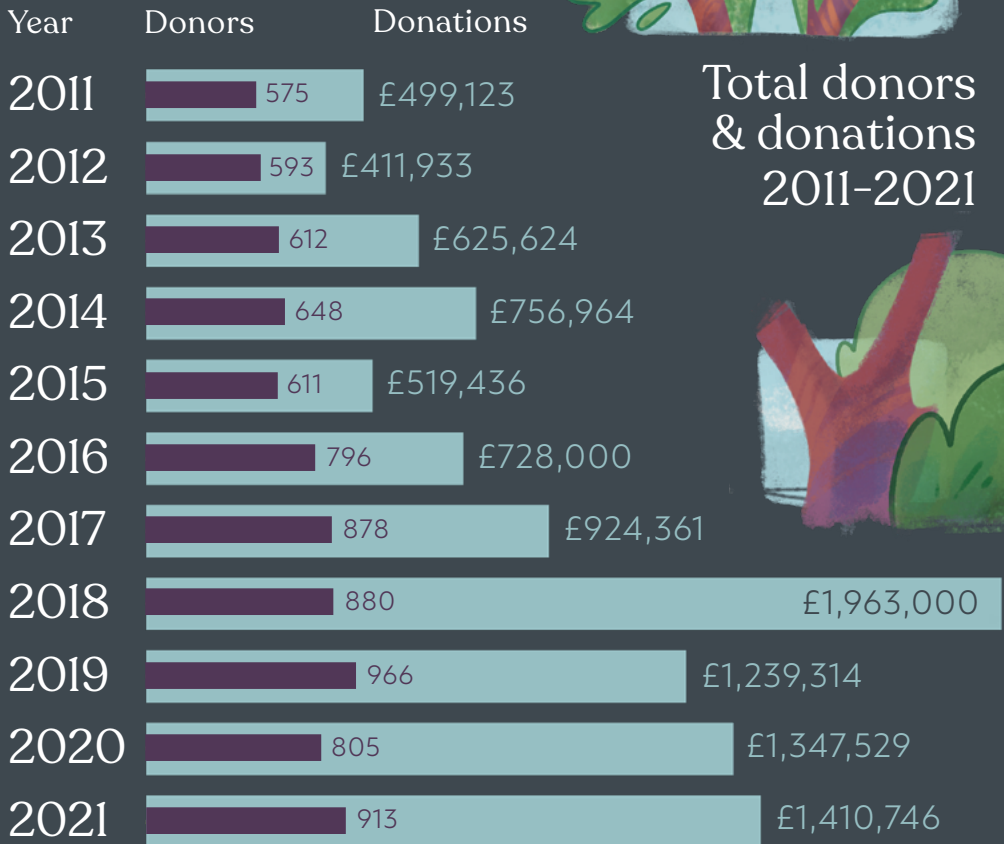
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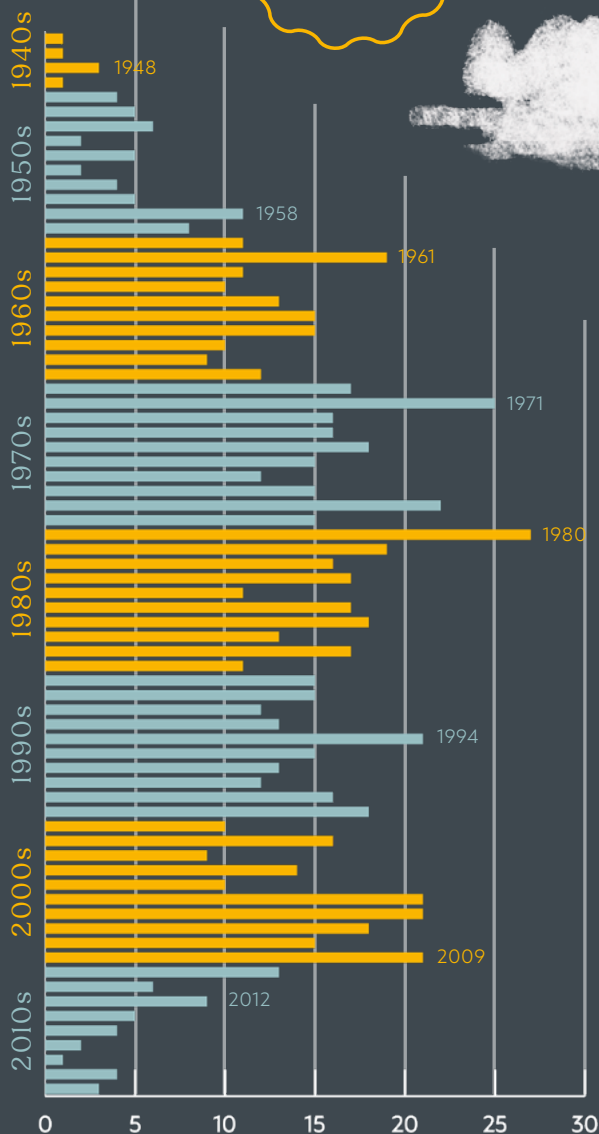
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