# Overseas undergraduates

# Before you arrive

### Arrivals & Information Survey

You will have already received a link to the <u>College's Freshers' Hub Website</u>. Here you will find various handbooks and documents, including the <u>Arrivals & Information Survey</u>. It is essential that you complete this as soon as possible, and no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> of September.

### Access to central IT Facilities

Once you have signed and returned your University card form, and in advance of the start of term, you will be sent your University of Oxford Single Sign On IT account details, giving you access to central IT services. Information on the services available, your Oxford email account, and how to set up your IT access, is available on the <u>Welcome to IT</u> web pages.

#### Starting your University Registration Process

An essential part of being a student of the University is the annual completion of registration. As a new student you should complete the first step of your University registration by verifying your details online using <u>Student Self</u> <u>Service</u> before you arrive. You will need to use your Oxford Single Sign On details to access Student Self Service.

You need to register in order to attend your programme of study, use your University email account, obtain your University Card, print an enrolment certificate, be eligible to take examinations and access your results. Your status as a member of the University is not confirmed until your registration has been completed by the College, which usually takes place in Week 0 of term.

## Arriving in College

As stated in the Arrival and Information survey, you are asked to arrive in College no later than Sunday 1st October. If, having completed the survey, your arrival date will be later than Sunday 1st October please notify the Academic Registrar by email (<u>academic.registrar@exeter.ox.ac.uk</u>) as soon as possible.

On arrival your first port of call will be the Porter's Lodge, where you will be able to collect your room key. The Porter's Lodge will also be able to offer guidance on where to park as well as temporary parking permits so that you may unload your belongings. Trolleys will be available to help you do this and members of the JCR's Freshers team will be on hand to welcome you and help you find your room. It is recommended to use public transport where possible.

The Rector (Head of the College) will be hosting a Welcome Tea for your family members 2.00-4.30pm on Sunday 1st October, whilst you will join your JCR reps and fellow freshers for a Welfare Tea in the Fellow's Garden.

#### University Card

Your University Card:

- enables you to access facilities and services such as libraries, computing services and the Language Centre
- acts as a payment card in College and some departments
- allows entry to buildings which have swipe-card access control
- provides you with a form of identity whenever you are on college or University premises
- gains you a student discount at many stores, including 10% off in the University's High Street Shop and online at oushop.com.

You will need to make an appointment with the Academic Office to collect your University card by using the following online booking form:

#### New Student University Card collection booking form

- You will need to sign-in using your Single Sign-On credentials (e.g. EXET1234)
- All fields on the form are compulsory.

In-person visits are limited to one individual at a time. Appointments are available with no less than 12 hours' notice.

Having booked an appointment, you will receive a confirmation email and calendar appointment. If you need to cancel or reschedule your appointment, you will be able to do so through the confirmation email. If your University Card is not yet available, a member of the Academic Office team will be in touch to reschedule your appointment.

#### Student Visa holders - Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) Card

Your BRP card will be available for you to collect from the Post Office (102-104 St Aldate's, Oxford OX1 1ZZ). Having collected the BRP you are required to bring your BRP and passport to the Academic Office so that we can take a copy. Please use the 'New Student University Card collection booking form' link above to arrange a time to do this.

#### Student Visa holders - EU & EEA citizens

You will be required to provide the College with a copy of your passport and to supply us with a 'Share Code' in order for us to verify your right to study in the UK. Please use the 'New Student University Card collection booking form' link above to arrange a time to do this. Please ensure you have your share code generated in advance of visiting the Academic Office.

## Opening a UK Bank account

International students may wish to open a UK bank account, this can be done once your enrolment on course is complete. The following University website includes information on how to open a UK bank account:

Information for International Students