



HERTFORD COLLEGE
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at

Hertford College, Oxford

British Culture, Society and Business Programme

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A very warm welcome to Hertford College and to Oxford!



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, which is one of the most famous sights of the city. This is an ideal setting for students wishing to improve their language skills and knowledge of Britain and British culture.

**Welcome to
Oxford!**

MEALS

Meals:

- On **class days** you are offered breakfast, lunch and dinner.
- On **trip days** you are offered breakfast, a packed lunch and dinner.
- **Weekend:** Saturday you are offered breakfast. Sunday you are offered breakfast and dinner.
- On **free-weekdays** (Monday-Friday) you are offered breakfast, lunch and dinner.

The following pages outline your academic programme

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ARRIVAL DAY Day 1 Sunday 2nd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrive at Heathrow Airport, London. • Hertford College Residential Advisors (RAs) will meet you. • Travel to Oxford by private coach. You will stay in Oxford University Accommodation. • On arrival: welcome meal and information. 						
WEEK ONE	9.00 – 10.30am		11.00 – 12.30pm		2.00 – 4.00pm		Evening
Day 2 Monday 3rd September	Introduction to the British Culture, Society and Business Programme English Language Assessment Students complete a placement test.	B R E A K	Introduction to Oxford University and the Tutorial System Followed by a look at the application process and life as an Oxford student with a Q and A session by Oxford students	L U N C H	Welcome Tea at 3.30pm Sample a delicious and traditional cream tea in the splendid surroundings of one of Hertford College’s historic dining halls. This is a special event so please wear smart clothes.	D I N N E R	Orientation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation • Facilities • Connecting your computers to the internet
Day 3 Tuesday 4th September	The History of the English Language Learn about the development of English, from the language spoken by the first invaders to the different versions existing around the world today.	B R E A K	Notable Oxford Alumni Find out about some of Oxford’s well known scholars and public figures and their contributions in the field of humanities, science and the arts.	L U N C H	Out and About Tour of Discovery A self-guided exploration of the hidden corners of Oxford to help you become familiar with this fascinating city	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs Suggestion: College tour - visit some of Oxford’s most renowned colleges

<p>Day 4</p> <p>Wednesday 5th September</p>	<p>Presentations Workshop 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to student presentations • How to plan and deliver a presentation effectively 	<p>B R E A K</p>	<p>Festivals, Traditions and Folklore</p> <p>Discover the secret histories and myths behind Britain's best known and popular festivals.</p>	<p>L U N C H</p>	<p>Blenheim Palace and the Cotswolds</p> <p>Lecture and Activities</p> <p>In preparation for the study tour on Friday, you will explore the history of the world-famous palace as well as the beautiful Cotswold villages.</p>	<p>D I N N E R</p>	<p>Cultural activities with RAs</p> <p>Suggestion: enjoy the famous "Oxford Blue" ice cream with your RAs in a local cafe</p>
<p>Day 5</p> <p>Thursday 6th September</p>	<p>Study of a Cultural Icon William Shakespeare</p> <p>An introduction to the life, language and works of England's most famous dramatist.</p>	<p>B R E A K</p>	<p>Vocabulary Development</p> <p>Idiomatic expressions from Shakespeare in current language use today.</p>	<p>L U N C H</p>	<p>Collaborative Writing Activity</p> <p>Students work together to create an effective text. This includes exploring the world of poetic forms including concrete poems and haiku.</p>	<p>D I N N E R</p>	<p>Cultural activities with RAs</p> <p>Suggestion: Watch a Shakespeare play in an Oxford College garden</p>
<p>Day 6</p> <p>Friday 7th September</p>	<p>Study Tour: Blenheim and the Cotswolds</p> <p>Blenheim Palace is one of Britain's most famous historic landmarks. After a guided tour of its beautiful rooms you will visit the Cotswolds, an area of outstanding natural beauty and picturesque villages in rural England.</p> <p>Packed lunches will be provided and you will be brought back to Oxford in time for dinner in the evening.</p>						

<p>Day 7</p> <p>Saturday 8th September</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.</p> <p>Alternatively, some students choose to travel independently to nearby places of interest such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • London • Stratford upon Avon • Warwick Castle • Cambridge • Bath • Brighton • Liverpool <p>These trips are not included in the programme price.</p> <p>Your RAs are available to offer advice and support about travel arrangements.</p>
<p>Day 8</p> <p>Sunday 9th September</p>	<p>Weekend</p> <p>Free time (as explained on Day 7)</p>

WEEK TWO	9.00 – 10.30am		11.00 – 12.30pm		2.00 – 4.00pm		Evening
Day 9 Monday 10th September	Lecture Current Economic Issues in the UK Examine the latest trends in the UK macro-economy. Consider the implications for the economy and business of last year's Brexit vote.	B R E A K	Current Affairs Discover how newspapers capture the interest of their readers by creating effective headlines.	L U N C H	The Language of Debate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expressing your opinion and commenting Turn-taking Giving opinions Agreeing/disagreeing Students conduct a mini-debate in groups.	D I N E R	Cultural activities with RAs Suggestion: go to a gig - jazz, blues, rock, pop - in Oxford with your RAs
Day 10 Tuesday 11th September	Lecture British Institutions and Government An overview of the parliamentary system, the main political parties, the monarchy, the judiciary, the church and other national organisations. Lecture is followed by activities and discussion.			L U N C H	International Job-seeking Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to prepare for a job interview: personal statements, CVs How to research a company Performing well in an interview 	D I N E R	Cultural activities with RAs Suggestion: inter-collegiate sports evening
Day 11 Wednesday 12th September	Presentations Workshop 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fine tuning of presentations Language check Body language and communicating with your audience 	B R E A K	Highlights of the Ashmolean Museum Collection Learn about the history and highlights of the University of Oxford's world-class collections of art and archaeology.	L U N C H	Visit to the Ashmolean Museum Recently renovated, the Ashmolean holds a fascinating collection of priceless artwork and objects. Students complete a task during their visit.	D I N E R	Cultural activities with RAs Suggestion: go for a river or canal side walk with your RAs

<p>Day 12</p> <p>Thursday 13th September</p>	<p>End of Course Presentations Students deliver presentations in small groups before an audience.</p>	<p>B R E A K</p>	<p>End of Course Presentations continued</p>	<p>L U N C H</p>	<p>Presentation Feedback and End of Course Assessments</p>	<p>GALA DINNER Celebrate your success at a memorable candle-lit dinner in a historic old dining hall at Hertford College where you will be presented with a certificate at the end-of-course ceremony. This is a special event so please wear smart clothes.</p>
<p>Day 13</p> <p>Friday 14th September</p>	<p>Free Day Free time (as explained on Day 7)</p>					
<p>Day 14</p> <p>Saturday 15th September</p>	<p>Departure Day You will be accompanied by the RAs in a private coach to the airport.</p>					



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