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President's Welcome

Welcome to Univ!

I'm Manon (she/her), a second year History student from London and I'll be your JCR President for the academic year.

Congratulations on earning your place at Univ! It's going to be a great year and I hope you enjoy everything Oxford and Univ have to offer both academically and as your home during term time.

The mixture of nervousness and excitement that you probably feel as you prepare to start here at Univ is completely normal. But just know that there is a place for everyone in our friendly and welcoming Univ community, no matter your background or interests. The college system means you always have a base to return to when life is getting hectic and we hope you feel able to come to anyone in college if you need to. The JCR and College are aware of the challenges that come with moving to university, particularly with living independently, and we have support mechanisms in place to help you settle in as easily as possible.

As JCR President, my job is to be the JCR's (the undergraduates') chief representative to College, working to improve college life for everyone by communicating students' needs and views to College staff. I also work with and am supported by the JCR Committee who work hard putting on events and ensuring everything runs smoothly. A key part of my role is to be available and open for all of you and to all JCR members to help with worries or concerns. Even if I can't directly solve something, I will definitely be able to refer you to someone who can.

You can reach me at jcr.president@univ.ox.ac.uk or manon.graham@univ.ox.ac.uk.

We can't wait to welcome you in October!

What is the JCR?

The 'JCR' or 'Junior Common Room means two things.

Firstly, the body of undergraduate members of the college, from finalists to first years. Secondly, it refers to the physical room in college reserved for use by those members - our common room is a lively and comfortable space, hosting our meetings, welfare teas and much more.

One area has a piano, foosball table, TV, nintendo switch and PS5 as well as a welfare corner, kitchen and comfy places to sit and relax.

The other area has tables for working or playing games and has your pigeonhole where you will find your post (that isn't parcels).

The JCR has a committee made up of students, who are here to help you out! They will run events from Welfare Weeks to BOPs for the JCR to enjoy.

The JCR is located on the small, historic Logic Lane, which runs through Univ!

How can I get involved?

JCR meetings occur every week or two during term time, typically on Sunday evening. These meetings are the main way most students are actively involved in Univ student democracy and have a few key components.

One element is the proposal and voting upon of motions. For example, a motion to fund a student project could be proposed and voted upon.

The second is elections or hustings (in cases where voting takes place later), where students can put themselves forward to become part of the committee.

JCR meetings also have free pizza available!

There is more information about JCR meetings, including standing orders and our election timetable at www.univjcr.com

Executive Committee

Isadora Drago (she/her)

VP/Treasurer & International Rep

Hey! I'm Isadora, a second year biomedic from Paris (but I'm not French), and I'm your JCR VP/Treasurer as well as International Students' Rep.

As Treasurer, I'm in charge of allocating and managing the JCR's budget. This money is used to better all aspects of student life, from funding societies and sports clubs to providing free period products in the bathrooms in college. As JCR members, you'll get a say in how this money is spent at JCR meetings! I'll also be the one leading the yearly rent discussions with college alongside Manon, the President.

As VP, I work closely with Manon and Shaaon, the other VP, to coordinate all sorts of JCR related initiatives and events. One of my most important jobs is to be a friendly face around college, to help you and answer any questions you may have about the JCR or life at Univ. While I may not have the answer to every problem, I will definitely be able to redirect you towards someone who can help!

Until December, when you elect someone new to the position, I'll be your International Students' Rep. My job is to advocate for the Internationals at college, which usually tends to revolve around storage during the vac. I also have compiled an International Student's Guide to Admin, which you can find on the JCR website.

Don't hesitate to shoot me an email

at isadora.drago@univ.ox.ac.uk or jcr.treasurer@univ.ox.ac.uk if you have any questions, and I look forward to meeting you all in October!

Shaaon Bhattacharya (he/him)

VP/Affairs

Hi! I'm Shaaon, a second year PPEist from Cambridge. This year, I am serving as your JCR Vice President/Affairs.

As Vice-President, my role is mainly to support Manon and assist her in communicating with all students in the JCR, and in discussions with key college staff.

Being head of JCR Affairs, or Secretary, I schedule, send out agendas for and minute our fortnightly JCR meetings. These are super accessible, so I really recommend attending and getting involved! Please contact me at jcr.secretary@univ.ox.ac.uk if you would like to send in a motion; recent motions include 'Motion to fund the Univ Swimming Team' and 'Motion to buy a JCR Bike Pump.'

I am also in charge of the Operations side of the committee, so I work closely with the reps for: Academic Affairs, IT, Hall and Accommodation, Access, Environment and Freshers.

Apart from being JCR VP/Affairs, I am also Univ's squash captain and enjoy playing in the college sports teams and doing pub quizzes around Oxford! If you have any questions at about the JCR, life at Univ, PPE or anything else, drop me an email either at jcr.secretary@univ.ox.ac.uk or shaaon.bhattacharya@univ.ox.ac.uk. I look forward to meeting you all soon!

Welfare, Equality & Diversity Group

Alana Cottey (she/her)

Welfare Rep

Hi! I'm Alana, a second-year Historian from Somerset, and one of your three welfare reps for this year. Along with Alex and George, I'm here to offer support and help keep Univ a friendly and inclusive environment.

Oxford is a wonderful place to live and study, but it's also very normal to find it stressful and challenging sometimes. If things feel tough, the welfare reps can signpost you to the best people within Univ's supportive welfare team.

Everyone deserves to feel at home here at Univ, so we'll be organising fun and relaxed events to bring our community together, from weekly welfare teas to welfare week in 5th week of each term. Feedback to help make these events enjoyable for all is always welcome!

We're here to support everyone, so if you have any questions or concerns, or even just want a chat, feel free to email me

at alana.cottey@univ.ox.ac.uk or jcr.welfare@univ.ox.ac.uk

Looking forward to meeting you all soon!

Alex Fusa (she/her)

Welfare Rep

Hello! I'm Alex, a second-year Lawyer from London, and one of your three welfare Reps for this year! With Alana and George, we are here to be a friendly face around Univ and offer support where needed :)

Each of you will have a different version of Oxford; it can be both a thrilling and a stressful time.

We try, through snacks and chill events, to help create a steady footing for all the things you'll have to balance this year. I am always here for a chat and if you have any concerns you're welcome to send me an email

at alexandra.fusa@univ.ox.ac.uk or jcrwelfare@univ.ox.ac.uk !

Hope to welcome you to Univ soon!

George Abaraonye (he/him)**Welfare Rep & RAEM Rep**

Wusgood my name is George and I'll be one of your welfare reps this year alongside Alana and Alex!! I'm also the RAEM rep alongside Tiwa and that means not only being a friendly face you can turn to in need of welfare and support but also I'll be looking to help represent the diaspora here at Univ and really show out for our students of colour. As someone who came to Oxford knowing nobody and very very scared lol I can understand what it's like to be worried and nervous about first year but I promise you it's a blast and as welfare reps we're here to support you on your journey. You'll be seeing me most weeks at welfare tea so don't be a stranger make sure to say hi!

If you have any concerns or queries let me know asap!! You can find me directly at george.abaraonye@univ.ox.ac.uk or if you wanna get in touch with the welfare team hit us up at jcr.welfare@univ.ox.ac.uk

Can't wait to see you all at the beginning of the new year :))

Charlie Towle (he/him)**Class Equality Rep**

Hi I'm Charlie, a second year PPEist from Liverpool, and your JCR Class Equality Rep! I know that coming to Oxford can be a daunting prospect for people from working class and state educated backgrounds but I hope that you will all find Univ to be a welcoming and supportive place!

One of my favourite aspects of Oxford so far has been learning to row at our college boat club.

Despite being apprehensive at first due to an association of the sport with elitism and wealth, I have found UCBC to be a great place to get away from work for a few hours, regardless of your background.

I aim to host at least one movie night a term where anyone is welcome to come and discuss any issues they may be having, or to just enjoy a movie and pizza! If you have any issues at all then feel free to contact me at charles.towle@univ.ox.ac.uk :)

Julian Wang (he/him)**LGBTQ+ Rep**

Hi all! I'm Julian, a 2nd year studying History and Politics from Toronto, Canada. As the LGBTQ+ Rep, I work to promote the communal and welfare interests of LGBTQ+ students at Univ. Uni can be the first time for many students to be their authentic selves and I work to ensure there is a safe, welcoming environment for all queer students.

This entails hosting and promoting events such as queer formals, uni-wide "Tuesgays", intercollegiate socials, and welfare-related events. I am also one of the SU's LGBTQ+ Campaign co-chairs allowing me to work closely with the LGBTQ+ Soc and senior university officials. If you ever have any questions, issues or concerns with queer life at uni or even need a chat, please feel free to reach out to me

(julian.wang@univ.ox.ac.uk)! I hope you find Univ to be a warm, welcoming environment where you can truly be yourself :)

Katy Griffiths (she/her)**Women*s rep**

Hi, I'm Katy, I study Earth Sciences, I'm from near Manchester, and I'm your Wom*n's Rep this year. I am involved with Univ's Board Games society, and like to read and play with makeup. As Wom*n's Rep I act as a point of contact in the JCR alongside the other liberation reps trying to make Univ a more inclusive place, I also deal with the Wom*n's Budget, help sort out sanitary products around college, and am also involved in creating events.

Zagham Farhan (he/him)**Student with disabilities rep**

Welcome to Univ and welcome to Oxford! I'm Zagham, and I'm your Disabilities Rep in the JCR. I'll be around to help you with any issues you may have relating to college and your disability management.

Disability management at Oxford can be slightly confusing and bureaucratic – so my recommendation is always to start processes as early as possible (i.e start sorting exam arrangements etc as soon as you can after you arrive) and ask if you ever need help!

I'm also Secretary of the Oxford SU Disabilities Campaign, so can help with non-college issues, and I was JCR Welfare Officer for most of last year. I'm President of the University Liberal Association and involved at the Oxford Union and of course I would love to answer questions about both.

My advice is to get excited – Oxford, and in particular Univ, are amazing – and I'm confident you'll enjoy every minute.

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Advocacy Group**Tara Narayan (she/her) and Ruitao Yang (he/him)****Charities reps**

Hi, we're Tara and Ruitao, 3rd year PPEists, and we're your JCR charities reps.

As charities and communities reps, we're responsible for managing the charities budget to make a positive impact. We help coordinate fundraisers, donate directly and platform other Oxford charities that are in need of greater visibility. We try and fundraise at Univ and with other Oxford groups such as the Student Union.

If you have any ideas, charities your passionate about or suggestions, feel free to get in touch!

Email us at tara.narayan@univ.ox.ac.uk or ruitao.yang@univ.ox.ac.uk

Tim Auth (he/him) & Will Hough (he/him)

Environment reps

Hey everyone, we're Tim (3rd year) and Will (4th year), your JCR environment reps. There are lots of ways in which Univ can improve its environmental impact and we're here to work on this. Last year we ran an intercollegiate clothes swap and oversaw the progress of the college's sustainability committee. We're keen to try and improve recycling, energy efficiency and environmental awareness at Univ as well as to continue to subsidise eco friendly trashing materials - but we need Univites' suggestions and ideas to go above and beyond! Email us at jcr.environment@univ.ox.ac.uk

Activities Group

Olivia Rankin (she/her), Lucia Gates (she/her) & James Hadfield (he/him)

Entz & Bar reps

Hello! We're James (2nd year Law) from Sheffield, Liv (2nd year Classics) from Brighton and Lucia (2nd year Earth Sciences) from South London and we are SUPER excited to be your entz reps this year!

That means we will be organising all the fun events for you this year, ranging from freshers week club nights, and day time events including some non-alcoholic events. We will also be throwing lots of BOPs (Big Organised Parties) for us all (the first of which will be on the evening of your first Saturday), with a big focus on creating a super fun, social vibe in Univ this year so please show up with good vibes and bring your friends! Alongside this we will have some bigger termly events at external venues being run such as a black tie Christmas event and smaller events more often like pub quizzes, picnics, cocktail making etc!

We also really want to focus on having everyone's feedback and suggestions so please email us at jcr.entz@univ.ox.ac.uk with anything but particularly PLEASE follow our instagram @univentz_ to follow along with announcements, give suggestions and see what we have in store for you!

Kai Wray (she/they)

Arts rep

Hi! I'm Kai (she/they) a third year studying Psychology and Philosophy, and your Arts Rep for this year! As Arts Rep, my job is to handle applications for funding from the Univ Arts Contingency Fund (which gives money to artistic endeavours undertaken by Univ students), organising open mic nights and running arts events (like welfare painting and Valentine's Day card painting). I also pass on information to the JCR about film and drama events happening in Oxford.

If you have any questions about Oxford arts, want to make any suggestions or want to apply for funding, you can email me at kai.wray@univ.ox.ac.uk or jcr.arts@univ.ox.ac.uk.

I can't wait to see you all in October!

Krishna Kabra (he/him)

Sports rep

Hey there! I'm Krishna, a second-year Computer Science student from India. As the JCR sports rep at Univ, I'm your point of contact for all things sports-related. Whether you want to join a club, start a new one, or have equipment requests, I've got you covered! College sports are a perfect way to take your mind off studying and meet new people. I made great friends playing table-tennis and football last year, and you can too. Most, if not all, college sports clubs are welcoming to everyone, regardless of their abilities. If you have any questions about sports at Univ, feel free to reach out to me at krishna.kabra@univ.ox.ac.uk. See you in October!

Isla Vincent (she/her), Richanne Davies (she/her), Julian Wang (he/him)

Freshers' reps

Hello! We are your freshers' reps: Isla, Richanne and Julian. Isla (isla.vincent@ox.ac.uk) is a second year Biochemist from Somerset, Richanne (richanne.davies@univ.ox.ac.uk) is a second year History and Politics student from South Wales and Julian (julian.wang@univ.ox.ac.uk) is a second year History and Politics student from Canada. It is our job to help out with the organisation and running of freshers' week, helping you to settle into your life at Univ as quickly and as smoothly as possible. We will try our best to answer any questions you may have about uni life at Oxford before you come and during your first few weeks. As well as this, we will provide a voice for first years in the JCR if any issues arise. Feel free to contact any of us via email or on our Instagram page (@univfreshers2024). We can't wait to meet you all soon!

Operations Group

Ava Lamb (she/her) & Tiwa Ogunleye (she/her)

Hall & Accommodation reps

Hi, We're Tiwa and Ava, and we're both second year PPEists as well as your Hall and Accommodation reps this year!

As Hall and Accom reps our job is to help answer your questions about housing and dining throughout your time here at Univ. We serve as a point of contact between the JCR and college management for everything room and food related.

Primarily, we are in charge of running the ballots for choosing your accommodation for second and third year. This entails organising open houses, photographing rooms, and generally helping you to make informed decisions about where you'll be living.

However, if you have any questions about your upcoming accommodation in first year, we're happy to answer those as well!

Additionally, we're involved with both everyday dining and Univ's biweekly formals.

We organise a few special dinners each year as well - details to follow soon. We are also happy to pass along any comments regarding meals to the kitchen team.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to send us an email at tiwaloluwa.ogunleye@univ.ox.ac.uk, ava.lamb@univ.ox.ac.uk, or jcr.accommodation@univ.ox.ac.uk.

Tiwa is also RAEM rep with George!

Ariana Islam (she/they)
Access and Equal Opportunities officer

Hi, I'm Ariana, a 2nd Year studying PPE from East London, and I am this year's Access and Equal Opportunity Officer.

In this role, I will be working with the other liberation reps to run events at Univ, particularly for those from underrepresented backgrounds. It can be a great way to meet people, who may have similar experiences to you at Oxford. In addition, I will be helping with campaigns for equality, at Univ and across the university.

If you have any concerns relating to access, or ideas for events, please feel free to contact me at jcr.equalopps@univ.ox.ac.uk or ariana.islam@univ.ox.ac.uk (or just come up to me and say hi if you see me around college!).

Dominic Seymour (he/him)
Academic Affairs Officer

Hi, I'm Dominic, a third year mathematician from Manchester and this year's Academic Officer. My job is to represent the JCR in all academic related things, including sitting on college's Academic Committee, publicising the various academic talks and workshops run by the Academic office, and meeting the Senior Tutor to voice any opinions or concerns. I can also be a point of contact if you have any academic difficulties or involved in disciplinary procedures with the college or the university.

If you have any questions or just want to chat about anything involving academics, feel free to email me

at jcr.academicaffairs@univ.ox.ac.uk or dominic.seymour@univ.ox.ac.uk.

Looking forward to meeting you all soon!

Tom Campbell (he/him)
IT Officer

Hi! I'm Tom, and my pronouns are he/him. I used to be the LGBTQ+ rep but now work on the JCR's tech! This mostly includes the website, where I'm trying to include even more information, links, and useful guides written by our committee for incoming freshers!

Look forward to a potential laptop troubleshooting/keyboard cleaning session in term too. Get in touch if you want anything put on the website!

Flora Wilson (she/her)
Photographer

Hi everyone, I'm Flora. I'm a fourth year studying classics, and I'm the JCR photographer. I have a sideline in professional events photography, and my job as JCR photographer will involve me photographing as many in-college events as possible, like bops, sports matches, plays, concerts, and some themed formals. When I'm not doing this, you'll probably find me doggedly advertising the music society. These photos will go onto our (private) JCR Facebook group, and some will make it onto the website. If you would not like to be photographed, please email me at flora.wilson@univ.ox.ac.uk

Packing List

Here are some suggestions from the JCR on what to bring with you when arriving into College. It's not exhaustive but should cover the essentials! For an extremely comprehensive version we recommend the list linked [here](#).* However, it is important to bear in mind that on a 'short contract' you most likely will have to move most things out of College at the end of each term

Household essentials:

- Bedding: duvet, duvet cover, pillow, pillowcase, fitted sheet (most rooms will have single beds but college will inform you if this isn't the case)
- Toiletries: toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.
- Towels
- Hangers for shirts/coats
- Laundry detergent

Admin:

- Bank cards (since COVID, many Oxford businesses take card only)
- Cash
- ID: passport and/or driving license
- Medical details
- Passport style photos

Electronics:

- Laptop/computer and charger
- Phone and charger
- Extension cable
- Ethernet cable (optional)

Clothes:

- Casual clothes (warmer clothes for autumn and winter)
- Fancy dress (for BOPs)
 - Bring a white t shirt you don't mind drawing on for the first bop!
- Formal clothes (for Formal Hall and events like Balls)

Academic:

- Stationary: pens, correction fluid, etc.
- Paper/notepads
- Folders (to store work)
- Subject specific equipment: exam suitable calculator for STEM students, etc.

Food:

- Some plates and bowls
- Cutlery: fork, knife, spoon, etc
- Glasses (plastic/glass)/mugs
- Tea towels and dishcloths
- Kettle (some rooms and kitchens may already have kettles)
- Bottle opener
- Washing up brush

Optional:

- Pins for your pinboard
- Posters, photos, other pinboard suitable decorations
- Cuddly toys
- Musical instruments (college can sometimes provide keyboards but music scholars get priority!)
- Bike (not a necessity in First Year, but very worthwhile from Second Year - helpful this year if your department is quite far from Univ).

Please don't bring (and why):

- A car
 - Oxford is a walking/biking/public transport city.
- Pets
 - We already have a cat and a tortoise!
- Blu-tack
 - It messes up the walls!
- Fire hazards including candles.
 - College not literally being on fire is something we all appreciate.

Sub Fusc

Sub Fusc is Oxford's academic dress, which is worn at Matriculations (the ceremony for formally joining University) and for Examinations. Your gown is also worn over your clothes at formal hall at College!

Sub Fusc consists of:

- dark suit with dark socks, OR dark skirt with black tights, OR dark trousers with dark socks
- plain white collared shirt or blouse with sleeves
- black shoes
- dark jacket, if required - worn underneath the gown
- *white bow tie, black bow tie, black full-length tie, OR black ribbon
- *an academic gown (Freshers wear a commoners gown)
- *a mortarboard

*These items can be bought from shops in Oxford (Ede & Ravenscroft, Shepherd & Woodward) so no need to worry about them until you arrive!

Social Media, Communication and Tech

We know the number of methods of communication may seem overwhelming, but we hope this makes it clearer!

Any member of the JCR committee will also be happy to help when you arrive.

1. Whatsapp

Univ has a Whatsapp community which has an announcement page, as well as your year group group chat. **Make sure** you join using the official link before the start of term! <https://chat.whatsapp.com/D1OXTPEurpu54luUDP7BhV>

2. Facebook

Facebook is also widely used across Oxford for communication. University societies use Facebook to share events and information so make sure you join the groups you're interested in. There are also helpful groups such as 'OxTickets' where you can sell and buy tickets among other things. We also recommend you join the Univ JCR Facebook Group!

3. Instagram

The JCR will use its Instagram pages to announce events and keep you up to date with Univ life. You can also DM them with any suggestions or concerns. Many Univ and Oxford wide societies also have Instagram pages. Follow @univ_jcr, @univ_welfare, @univentz_, @univfreshers2024

4. Youni

The JCR is also trialling a new app called Youni which centralises all the events around Oxford to try and deal with the fact that so many social media platforms are used. Set up an account and follow the Univ JCR page!

Tech Info

Top tip: Keep on top of your emails! There will be a lot of important information from College, Department, your tutors and the JCR!

Your Oxford SSO (Single Sign On) is an eight letter username (e.g univ1234) plus a password set by you. You must also have MFA (multi-factor authentication) set up which adds another level of security when you login.

Your SSO gives you access to your University Outlook (email) inbox as well as Microsoft services including Word, Teams, Excel, etc. These can be downloaded for free onto your computer.

Canvas is another service used by many departments/faculties at Oxford to upload reading lists and other resources accessible via your SSO.

You also have a 'remote access account' which is used for you to login to the University-wide WI-FI service Eduroam.

You will receive instructions for how to set up your SSO and Remote Access accounts prior to your arrival. Follow the instructions carefully and remember your passwords!

Accommodation Guide

When you arrive at Univ you'll be notified of where you are staying on site. Here is a guide to the different areas of accommodation at Univ.

90/91 High Street and the Old Bursary

Some of the rooms in 90/91 High Street are typical student rooms consisting of a bed, desk, mini-fridge, sink (not always present) and cupboard. Other rooms are slightly different because they don't have a desk or mini-fridge in. Your desk, along with a mini-fridge, will be located along the corridor in the shared study space, along with your three other roommates' desks and mini-fridges. 90/91 High Street also has a kitchen and kitchenette.

The Old Bursary is attached to 90/91 High Street but functions independently. There are three floors, with two rooms and a bathroom (including a toilet and shower) on each floor. A combination of first, second and third years may be living in this building. Each room here has a sink, mini-fridge and microwave, as the nearest kitchens are a bit far.

Main Quad

Main quad rooms are most often assigned to first years. They are the oldest accommodation in Univ. They are most often shared sets; you will have a room and a shared study with another person. The rooms will have a sink in them. A mini fridge and a desk will be in the shared study. The size of the room varies. All rooms are single beds.

Radcliffe Quad (Rad Quad)

Rad Quad lies directly adjacent to Main Quad. It was built later than Main Quad, but in the same style. You can access Rad Quad from Main Quad or Logic Lane. A combination of first-years and third-years live here. As well, all students on main site access laundry facilities at Rad Quad through staircase 11. Similar to Main Quad rooms, you can expect in Rad Quad rooms with single beds, sinks, cupboards, mini-fridges and shared sets too.

Durham Buildings (DB1 and DB2)

DB1 (Durham Building 1) and DB2 (Durham Building 2) are located on Logic Lane opposite Rad Quad. The JCR is also located in DB2. Rooms in DB1/DB2 are decently sized typical student rooms. You can expect shared bathrooms as well as sinks, mini-fridges and desks in your rooms. Showers in DB1 are next the kitchen in basement. Residents in DB1/DB2 also have the privilege of immediate kitchen access with there being one kitchen in DB1, a kitchen on the second and third floors of DB2, and the JCR kitchen on the ground floor of DB2.

83, 84, 85 High Street

83/84/85 High Street can initially seem like a bit of a maze until you find your way around! Most bedrooms are standard single rooms with a sink, mini-fridge, desk and a cupboard. Like all High Street facing rooms, they have a great view!

Goodhart

Goodhart rooms are normally reserved for 3rd and 4th year students but some rooms are reserved for first year students. Students with access needs will often be allocated to rooms in the Goodhart building. All rooms in this building are equipped with an en-suite bathroom. Most rooms have a double bed, but some are single beds. All are attached to a kitchen. They are very spacious rooms and there is a lift.

Kitchens at Univ

Univ has several kitchens across main site. All students will have access to a kitchen, even if their room is not directly next to a kitchen. If you're not sure where you have kitchen access, email Shane Pledge who runs the accommodation team. There are more modern kitchens in the Goodhart building which have induction hobs so please bear this in mind when buying saucepans etc. Other kitchens are located in 90/91 high street, DB1 and DB2.

Bod Cards

All students are issued a University Card when they arrive. This card, often referred to as your 'Bod Card', is really important.

You use it to access buildings and libraries around the University and College as well as being used to pay for meals in the Buttery at College.

Make sure you look after your Bod Card, you can buy a lanyard in the Porter's Lodge.

Laundry

On Main Site in College, the laundry room is located in the basement accessible from Staircase 11 in Radcliffe Quad.

The laundry room has washing machines, dryers, ironing facilities as well as some space for air-drying in the adjacent drying room.

The washing machines and dryers cost a few pounds (£2-3) per cycle and take contactless card payment (inc. Apple Pay and Android Pay).

You need your own laundry power/liquid/pods for the machines.

Post

Every member of the JCR has their own 'pidge' (pigeonhole) located within the physical JCR where letters are delivered by the porter team. Pidges are also used by friends and tutors to deliver messages or work.

As well as 'pidges', college also has a parcel locker (Packcity) located near the Goodhart building. Parcels, including Amazon packages, are delivered to the locker and you receive an email to collect.

To get parcel delivered to you at College use this address:

[Your Name]

University College

Pedal and Post

Binsey Lane

Oxford, OX2 0EX

Oxford Jargon Buster

Battels: The termly charges made to you by college. Includes accommodation, food, etc.

Bod: Short for Bodleian, the main university library

BOP: 'Big Organised Party' held in College bar usually with a theme

Buttery: The college kitchens where meals are collected from

Collections: Informal subject tests usually at the beginning of term

First Public Examination: Either Prelims or Mods. Often abbreviated to F.P.E, the first university examinations you sit

Formal: A traditional meal held in college, suit or smart dress required. Need to sign up.

Hilary: Often shortened to HT, the second of the three Oxford terms, running from January to mid-March.

Master: The head of the college (referred to as the head of house) of University College. The current master is Baroness Valerie Amos.

Matriculation: The formal process of admitting new students to the university. Takes place on the Saturday of 1st week in Michaelmas.

Michaelmas: The first of the Oxford terms, from early October to early December.

Porter: Vital members of college staff who are a combination of receptionists and security staff. They also know everything that goes on in college. Can be found in the Porters' Lodge.

Trinity: The third Oxford term, in summer. From late April to mid-June.

Tutor: Someone who teaches a student on an individual basis or in a small group. Gives tutorials.

Tutorial: Class either on a one-to-one basis or with one or two other students. Students must undertake preparatory work for each tutorial, including background reading, essay-writing and problem solving. What makes Oxford Oxford! Often shortened to 'tute.'

Scout: a cleaner who manages your accommodation area (e.g DB1).

Vac: A nickname for the 'vacation' or holidays.

