

OXFORD - CAMBRIDGE

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THE OXBRIDGE
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Introduction

Our Oxford - Cambridge Summer Camp provides students with a unique opportunity to get exposure from world's two leading centres of learning – **University of Oxford** and **University of Cambridge**. Apart from exploring the historic towns of Oxford and Cambridge, students will be able to draw parallels between the world's finest communities of scholars and researchers. Students will have access to outstanding academics, intellectuals and admission counsellors from both the institutions. Our world class faculty will nurture young minds and help them unlock their potential.

Over the last decade, hundreds of students derived an enriching and rewarding experience from our challenging and exciting summer programmes. They have successfully used our programme as a foundation for launching their academic and professional careers.

Both the University of Oxford and the University of Cambridge have produced a long list of world leaders, scientists, writers, philosophers and artists over the course of the centuries. Collectively, these two Universities have 70 affiliated colleges, have produced 43 British Prime Ministers, 176 Noble Laurates and have published thousands of research papers leading to developments in science, technology, law and social sciences. Many of today's physical and social laws are founded upon the struggles and hardships of OXBRIDGE alumni. We aim to utilize these international centres of academic excellence and innovation to help you develop a solid knowledge base and a robust skillset to excel in the world at large. Critical thinking, logical articulation and leadership are a few attributes of our graduates.

Our programme is designed to cater to the unique needs of our students. We ensure that each student receives personalized attention, in terms of course materials, counselling and participation in a range of co-curricular activities.

Moreover, our students gather firsthand experience of academic, social and cultural life at Oxford and Cambridge, which is an exclusive aspect of our Oxbridge Summer Programme. Unlike any other summer programme, they will spend one week at each university. Students will spend the first week at Balliol College, which is one of the largest colleges of the University of Oxford. The second week of the programme is set to take place at Hughes Hall of Cambridge University.



Highlights of the Programme

- Learning at Oxford and Cambridge
- Positive lifestyle changes
- Exposure to latest trends in academia and research
- Academic writing
- Public speaking & Leadership
- Excursion trips
- Punting
- Letters of reference
- Certificates

Academic Activities

The programme focuses on individual learning and tailored counseling. Courses offered in our programme are tailored-made for each student because every student has his/her own unique needs, interests and competencies in each subject. Students will attend lectures related to their major and minor modules. Guest speaker series will also be arranged for students, where academics and professionals affiliated with Oxford and Cambridge will deliver tutorials and talks. These talks are arranged for students so that they can learn to see the world with new perspectives. They will learn academic writing and referencing techniques. At the end of the programme, students will be asked to submit an essay paper to gauge their performance.

Tutorial Teaching Method and Range of Courses

During the entire course of programme, the renowned Tutorial Teaching method is used. The Tutorial Teaching Method is the most effective teaching methodology and is employed both at Oxford and Cambridge. Students are divided into small groups of three students per tutor. Students can choose two subjects from a range of options offered during the programme, called major and minor modules. The programme includes all key subjects in the realms of Physical and Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities.



Distinctive Features of Oxford – Cambridge Summer Programme

Students will be able to interact one on one with tutors and attend lectures from eminent scholars at University of Oxford and University of Cambridge. Our students get a flavor of academic environments in multiple top universities in the UK. Our programme includes activities and excursions to some of the most exciting and important sites in Oxford and Cambridge for an all-encompassing Oxbridge experience. Our team will show you parts of Oxford and Cambridge, hidden from plain view.



Access to Two World-class Campuses

The Oxbridge Summer Camps provides students with a rare opportunity to have access to two of the world's top, and most competitive, university campuses. The students will be able to explore and get benefit from libraries, discussion rooms, auditorium halls and research centres at both the University of Oxford and the University of Cambridge.

Study Materials

We use our own bespoke study materials that include audio-video content as well as other multi-media formats. All study materials will be provided by the Oxford Institute and are included in the fees.

Public Speaking

In our Oxford – Cambridge program the Public Speaking and Debating module is compulsory for all participants. Students are mentored by world-class debaters and presidents of the Oxford Union. They learn the art of public speaking and are equipped with the skills required to present their ideas in formal Parliamentary style debates.

We have partnered with world renowned Oxford Union (the oldest and the most influential debating society in the world) to improve our students' communication, language and public speaking skills. Students will get an opportunity to practice public speaking at the historic debating chamber at the Oxford Union (please check: <http://www.oxford-union.org/>). President of the Oxford Union, Ms. Polina Ivanova conducted sessions in debates/spoken English last year.



Lecture Halls/Tutorial Rooms

Lecture halls and tutorial rooms at the Oxford University and Cambridge University will be used to conduct classes and teach students.

Certificates and References

Our tutors are happy to provide academic references to their students. An academic reference by one of our tutors is considered immensely valuable by universities and helps students make an effective case for future admissions. Students also get a certificate for the successful completion of the course and a transcript with details of grades achieved. Please note that all summer courses are accredited and approved by the British Accreditation Council.

Career Counselling and University Admissions

Expert career counsellors as well as subject tutors, from Oxford and Cambridge, provide extensive career counselling and advice for university admissions to students in accordance with students' individual needs and circumstances.

Co-Curricular Activities

We offer a range of co-curricular activities to make this a fun experience for students. We understand that this is a summer holiday as well as an academic camp and we want students to get the most out of it. These co-curricular activities include; many indoor and outdoor sports activities such as football, cricket, table tennis, ice-skating, ten-pin bowling among others, followed by a picnic and a BBQ in University Parks, Punting, which is boating in a flat-bottomed boat and is regarded as one of the most famous attractions in Oxford and Cambridge. Movie (screening) and musical evenings (with live music) are organised for our students either within university premises or at a nearby venue.

Excursion Trips – Oxford

Students are taken on visits to various historic buildings and colleges in Oxford including Christ Church College where Harry Potter was filmed and also provided the inspiration for 'Alice in the Wonderland'. Popular attractions including Natural History Museum and Ashmolean Museum will also be visited.



Excursion Trips – Cambridge

Students will experience the vibrant life of Cambridge town. They will visit the famous Botanical Garden, the Bridge of Sighs and the wonderful Mathematical Bridge, which is scientific wonder that incites curiosity and inquisitiveness in every visitor. Students also explore the marvelous King's College Chapel and see their centuries old Stained Glass windows.

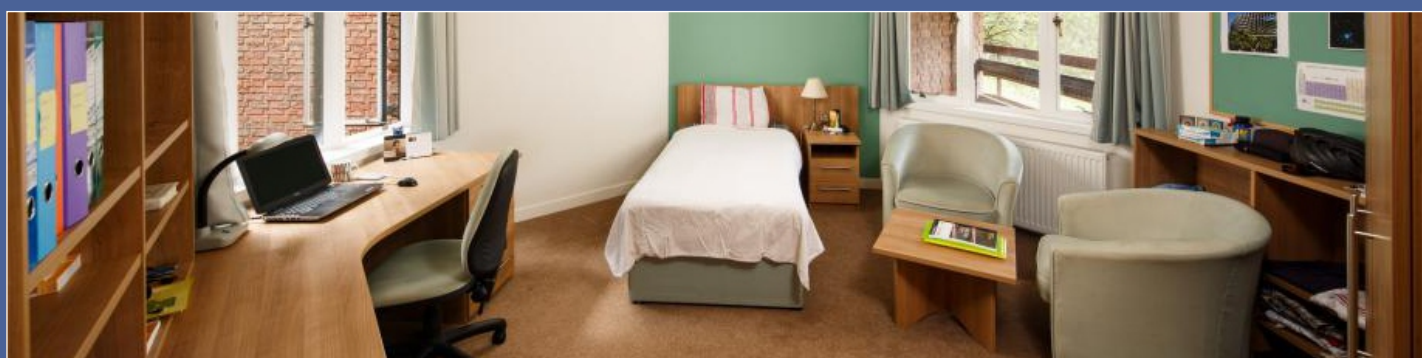


Excursion Trips – London

The Oxford – Cambridge Summer Camp is not merely an academic programme but is also a summer holiday, as there are multiple fun activities. Students will be taken on excursion trip to London. They will explore and enjoy shopping centres and cuisines in a modern metro city.

Accommodation at Oxford

Each student will be assigned their own serviced room on gender segregated floors. The room includes bed linen, a study desk, a chair and a wardrobe. Deans and staff members are available for students at all times. We are fully committed to providing our students a unique experience of living within the campus and using the same facilities that were once used by prominent Oxford alumni.



The participants will spend their second week in the historic accommodation of Hughes Hall at Cambridge. Like the first week of the program, they will also be assigned their own serviced rooms on gender segregated floors. The rooms will have the facilities of bed linen, study table and chair and a wardrobe. Deans and staff members will also be available here for students at all times. The students will get a glimpse of Cambridge lifestyle by using the same facilities and resources available to undergraduates and graduates of Cambridge University.



Food and Dining Experience

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included in the fee. These meals along with a formal dinner every week are served in the historic dining halls in both universities. At Oxford University the dining experience is always similar to a 'Harry Potter/Hogwarts' ambience. Similarly, at Cambridge University the students will experience dining at the historic halls and tables used by Noble Laurates and individuals who have left their mark in the history of mankind. Dinners will also be arranged at the best international restaurants. Various food preferences are catered to including Halal, Kosher, Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten free and others. The menus are designed after carefully considering student preferences, as our participants come from varying socio-cultural backgrounds.



Free Wi-Fi internet Access

Students will have free internet access in rooms as well as other parts of the campus.

Multicultural Environment

Students will meet people of the same age groups from different parts of the world. This will enable students to make friends and appreciate the significance of diversity. Students will also get to appreciate cultural and academic diversity by interacting with students and faculty members of Oxford University and Cambridge University.

Travel (Within UK)

All travel within UK is organised by the Oxford Institute through private transportation companies. Coaches are hired for excursion trips so that the students can go in a group so that they can enjoy and learn from the experience.

Airport Pick and Drop

Residential Deans are allocated to facilitate students throughout the programme including pick and drop from the airport. A helpdesk will be set up at Heathrow airport on arrival and departure day.



Health & Safety

A detailed risk assessment has been done of all activities and have they been found to be of extremely low risk. Regardless, our staff members are fully trained in first-aid, as well as fire-fighting and will be available 24 hours.

Security

In both Oxford and Cambridge, University Security Services are responsible for the security of all students at the University. All students are accompanied at all times by our deans and staff members. The entry and exit are controlled through access cards along with 24 hours CCTV surveillance. Security staff is available round the clock. We also maintain a 24-hour hotline for parents to speak to the staff and students.



Application Process & Selection Criteria

The application form is available online (<https://oxfordsummerprogram.com/>). Students are required to send documents such as most recent transcripts and an academic reference to be considered for partial funding and scholarships. Academically advanced students with adequate language skills and knowledge of their subjects are admitted to the programme. The decision of the Admission's Committee is final.



Programme Details

Age Group

We classify our students in three groups according to their age:

1. Juniors (12 – 15)
2. Seniors (16 – 19)
3. University Students 19+

Accommodation at Oxford: Balliol College

Accommodation at Cambridge: Hughes Hall College

Fees

Please note that all the activities, tuition, accommodation, food and logistics described above are included in our programme fee.

Standard Fee: 3,999 GBP

Key Dates: 2nd August, 2020 – 14th August, 2020



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