

OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY
**STUDY ABROAD
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We’re celebrating the history, achievements and future of Oxford Brookes University during our 150th anniversary year. At Brookes our academic excellence is underpinned by a history of learning by doing. Our connections and our Oxford roots – starting out as the Oxford School of Art in 1865 – are fundamental to our students’ experiences and our successful future.

*“I would definitively recommend Brookes,
because of its international atmosphere.”*

Suzanne Vreeswijk, Erasmus+ student from Hotel Management School Maastricht, The Netherlands



Welcome to **OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY**

We are delighted you're thinking of coming to Oxford Brookes University. Read on to find out why over 300 students per year have chosen the exchange or study abroad programme at Oxford Brookes.

We hope you decide to join them.



Oxford and beyond

A GREAT PLACE TO BE A STUDENT

If you choose to study at Oxford Brookes you will find one of the world's most scenic and historic cities on your doorstep. It is big enough to offer something for everyone but small enough to be welcoming and easy to get around. So when you take a break from your studies, here are few things you can do in this special place.



SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

If you're looking for some retail therapy, head for the High Street or Cornmarket Street. With their wide pavements and historic buildings they combine a sense of atmosphere with the latest clothing and department stores. **Oxford's Covered Market**, dating back to 1774, houses a range of charming independent shops and quirky boutiques stocking everything from hats to handbags and cheese to chocolate. For designer brands and luxury fashion at discounted prices visit **Bicester Village** outlet shopping centre and pick up a bargain.



EATING OUT

Feeling hungry? No problem. Whatever your appetite, Moroccan to Mexican, Indian to Italian, Oxford caters for every taste and every budget. We can help you if you have specific dietary requirements, for example we provide a list of local Halal eateries.



ARE YOU A CULTURE VULTURE?

You are spoilt for choice in Oxford. Traditional museums such as the **Ashmolean**, Pitt Rivers and History of Science rub shoulders with contemporary galleries like **Modern Art Oxford**. Take in a show at the Oxford Playhouse, the Pegasus Theatre or the New Theatre where West End plays alternate with the biggest bands and stand-up comedians.

Some students at Oxford Brookes may also apply for access to the world-renowned **Bodleian Library**, an unparalleled resource, home to more than 11 million printed items and 50,000 e-journals all in the most exquisite of settings.



Relax in South Park, next to Headington Campus and admire the celebrated dreaming spires – don't miss the annual firework display.



Enjoy the view. When the sun shines, make the most of Oxford's green spaces, of which there are many. You can feed the ducks in Christ Church Meadow while watching the rowers powering up the Thames. Or clamber up the Carfax Tower and take it all in from on high.



“It is an international student city, so you can meet very different people during the exchange year. It is a small city which is good since you can get to know the city completely, and although it is small there are plenty of things to do during your free time.”

Garazi Rezabal Larrañaga, Erasmus+ student from Universidad de Navarra, Spain



Spread a rug out on the Botanic Garden's rolling lawns or float past them in one of Oxford's famous flat-bottomed boats known as punts.



MAKE A NIGHT OF IT

Go see a Shakespeare play performed outdoors in beautiful surroundings and take a picnic. Enjoy live music at the **O2 Academy** on the buzzing Cowley Road, or a classical concert at the stunning **Sheldonian Theatre**. There's always the latest blockbuster movie at one of the central cinemas or a classic film at the **Ultimate Picture Palace** if you're feeling nostalgic. Or get a real taste for British culture in a traditional pub, perhaps where J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis once discussed the world of fantasy novels.

FURTHER AFIELD

Our international students make the most of Oxford's central position in the UK, visiting the magnificent city of **Bath** to admire the Regency architecture and Roman relics, classical **Cambridge**, **Stratford-upon-Avon** – Shakespeare's birthplace, the romantic Cotswold hills, the castles at Windsor and Warwick and, of course, **London** which is only an hour away by train. The UK is full of great places to visit... what will your destination be?



Study abroad and exchange

21ST CENTURY TEACHING AND LEARNING

We are investing £150 million in our campuses to provide inspirational places for our students to work together on new challenges.

THE JOHN HENRY BROOKES BUILDING

As a study abroad or exchange student, you will benefit from our investment in new teaching and learning spaces.

Our new building is changing the lives of our students, bringing together library and teaching spaces with social learning areas, the Brookes Union and student support.

Its inspirational study spaces have been designed to offer flexibility and choice to suit the way you learn best – whether through lectures, discussions, debate or quiet study.

Exceptional facilities include:

- a new library for printed and online resources with 1,000 new flexible study spaces
- a high-tech lecture theatre
- teaching areas with advanced technology, including digitisers and a new assistive technology centre
- studio workshops
- stimulating spaces for both individual and group learning
- a centralised area for student support, including a specialist careers zone and The International Student Advice Team (ISAT). See page 9.
- The Glass Tank – an exhibition space for showcasing work by students and staff



IT services and Brookes Virtual include:

Computers available 24/7, computer service desk and laptop loan.

Moodle – your online learning environment which enhances traditional face-to-face teaching with digital technology including:

- hand-outs and presentations from lectures
- reading lists and articles
- module handbooks
- Turnitin – enabling you to submit assignments online
- Adobe Connect – our online classroom for webinars

PIP – your personal online course-administration system

RADAR – The Research Archive and Digital Asset Repository, Brookes' learning and research resource bank





THE WAY WE TEACH

Teaching is offered through a wide range of methods combining the best of both traditional and progressive styles:

Lectures are for large groups of students, often in formal lecture theatres, where you will receive a presentation on a specific subject.

Seminars are in smaller groups and allow greater interaction between teachers and fellow students.

Tutorials are informal sessions, often one-to-one with your tutor.

Practicals apply to science, technology and vocational subjects.

TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Brookes lecturers ignite a passion for their subject – you will enjoy learning that fuels your enthusiasm and imagination.

Our teaching staff are renowned for their friendly and supportive approach.

You will learn from the best. Many of our academics are world leaders in their field and are regularly recognised for the commitment they show to their students and subject.



“I think exchange makes you very employable by showing your resilience, adaptability, independence, initiative, sense of adventure, your willingness to try different things and so much more.

Hopefully it will set me apart from my peers and make me a more desirable candidate for my dream job.”

Chloe Dawes, Exchange student from Deakin University, Australia

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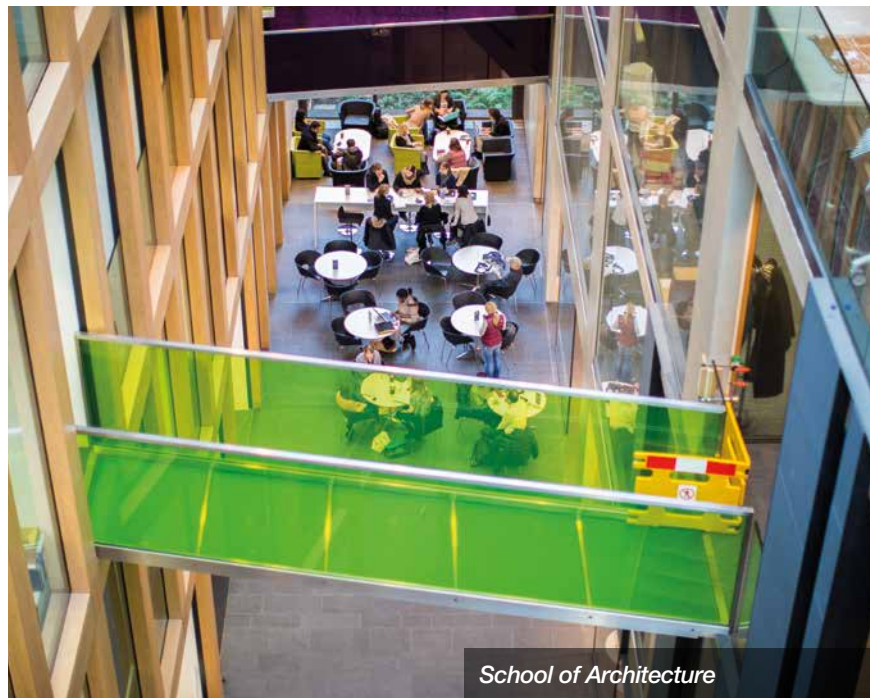
OF OUR RESEARCH IS ‘INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED’

in the UK government's latest ‘Research Excellence Framework’ (2014)

Oxford Brookes

LIFE ON OUR 3 CAMPUSES

Campus life is a key part of your university experience. Most students spend a major part of their time on campus, so we have invested in our campuses to ensure that we can meet all of your day-to-day needs.



School of Architecture

OUR 3 OXFORD CAMPUSES ALL HAVE:

- well-equipped libraries with an extensive online library accessible 24/7
- 24-hour computer rooms – with over 1,000 computers available to students university-wide
- laptops available for short loans
- free Wi-Fi so you can study using mobile devices
- computer service desk open daily
- specialist facilities for the subjects studied there
- social learning spaces
- cafés and food facilities
- outdoor green spaces

HEADINGTON CAMPUS

Just over a mile east of the city centre, Headington Campus is our busiest campus, and is home to the Brookes Centre for Sport and the new John Henry Brookes Building housing the main library, lecture theatre and student services (see previous pages 6-7).

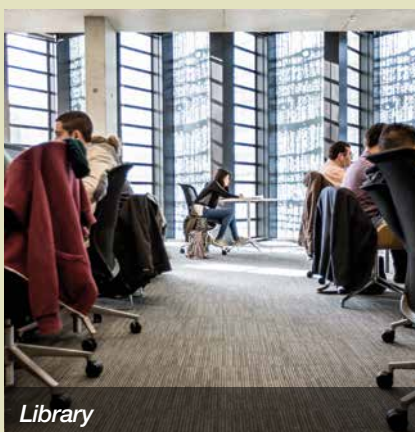
Students of the arts, built environment,

health and life sciences, most humanities courses, law, publishing, social sciences, and international pathways courses are based at our Headington Campus and business will move here soon.

Headington Campus is made up of 3 sites: Headington Road, Headington Hill and Marston Road.



The Forum



Library



The Terrace

WHEATLEY CAMPUS

Situated 6 miles east of the city centre, Wheatley Campus's leafy site is the base for our business, engineering and technology students. Our purpose-built £9 million facilities create an environment in which technical expertise is enhanced by creativity and imagination, housing the Technology Centre, Postgraduate Centre and the Simon Williams Undergraduate Centre.



Technology Centre



Automotive Laboratory



We expect to bring all teaching for the Business School from Wheatley Campus to Headington Campus during the 2015-16 academic year. Please check our website for updates on the move.

HARCOURT HILL CAMPUS

Two miles west of the city centre, Harcourt Hill Campus houses a sports centre with swimming pool and golf course, as well as teaching for religion, philosophy, education and communication students.



Harcourt Hill Campus



School of Education

SPECIALISED SUPPORT FOR YOUR DAY-TO-DAY LIFE

To help you reach your full potential and make the most of your time at Brookes, we offer personalised support including:

EXCHANGES AND STUDY ABROAD TEAM

Your first point of contact if you have any non-academic questions.

A PERSONAL ACADEMIC ADVISER

A member of the teaching staff for the duration of your course providing academic support for your current studies and advice on your future studies.

STUDENT SUPPORT CO-ORDINATORS

Here to help you solve personal or academic problems.

ACADEMIC ENGLISH DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT

A range of options to help you develop your academic English skills.

UPGRADE

The university's confidential study advice service for guidance on study skills or maths and statistics.

EXPERTS IN DISABILITY SUPPORT

Providing specialist study support for those with dyslexia, physical disabilities or mental health needs.



PROFESSIONALLY TRAINED COUNSELLORS

You can talk to a counsellor about any personal or academic concerns you have. This service is confidential and free.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVICE TEAM (ISAT)

Our specialist team for international students can advise you on visas, finance and employment before you arrive here and throughout your time at Brookes.

www.brookes.ac.uk/international/support-and-advice



FOR MORE ON OUR CAMPUSES:

www.brookes.ac.uk/campus-life

"The Oxford Brookes exchange team is wonderful. They provide many programmes to connect international students with one another."

Sarah Bolick, Exchange student from University of South Florida, USA.

Life at Brookes - MUCH MORE THAN JUST STUDYING

DON'T FORGET YOUR FLUTE!



Oxford Brookes boasts a lively music scene. Our Music Department runs the University Choir and Orchestra, which perform classical works in two concerts every year, and an auditioning Chamber Choir dedicated to a-cappella repertoire. Music societies include the Jazz Band, the Music Theatre Society, Pop Music Choir, the Opera Society and the Early Music Society. Student bands regularly perform on campus and at venues across Oxford.

studyabroad@brookes.ac.uk
erasmus@brookes.ac.uk

“The Oxford Brookes ESN team did an outstanding job organising some wonderful meetings and trips.”

Marco Vegetti, Erasmus+ student from Politecnico di Milano, Italy

ERASMUS AND EXCHANGE STUDENT NETWORK (ESN)

Connecting students interested in going on exchange, or returning from exchange, with exchange and study abroad students who have come to Oxford Brookes.

www.facebook.com/esn.oxfordbrookes



A REPUTATION FOR SPORT

You don't have to be an elite athlete or an Olympic standard rower to enjoy the range of sports we offer at Brookes. Whether you want fun, affordable exercise, enjoy team sports or aspire to compete at a national level, Oxford Brookes offers first-class sports facilities. These include a state of the art gym, one of the UK's best climbing walls, a 25 metre heated indoor swimming pool, 9-hole golf course, a brand new boathouse on the River Thames and so much more to accommodate over 40 different sports clubs.

Find your team at
www.brookes.ac.uk/brookes-sport



HEALTH AND WELLBEING

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Our University Medical Centre on the Headington Campus has doctors and nurses who offer a full, friendly, confidential medical service.

Studental, the on-campus dental clinic has fully qualified dentists providing high quality modern treatment in a friendly environment.

Please make sure that you have adequate health insurance cover.

EXPERTS IN DISABILITY SUPPORT

We want you to fulfil your potential and enjoy your time at Brookes – having a disability should make no difference. We can help you with specialist study support for dyslexia, physical disabilities or mental health needs and physical access as well as funding, alternative assessment arrangements and liaison with teaching staff.

RELIGION AND WORSHIP

Oxford Brookes is home to students from many different cultures. We provide worship facilities for a wide range of faiths, including prayer rooms on all 3 campuses. Oxford itself is home to a number of faith communities who offer a warm welcome to international students.

www.brookes.ac.uk/students/wellbeing

GLOBAL BUDDIES

Global Buddies provide a friendly welcome for new international students, putting them in touch with a current student who will help them settle into Oxford life. New students and their buddies keep in contact by Facebook, email, face-to-face meetings and attending social events.

www.brookes.ac.uk/global-buddies

GOING PLACES

Get out and about, discover the UK, meet new people, make good friends! We arrange a host of different social events just for you. Choose from quiz evenings, parties, sports events, guided tours of Oxford and day trips to tourist destinations such as Bath, Cambridge, Stratford-upon-Avon and Cardiff.

www.brookes.ac.uk/international/life

BROOKES STUDENTS' UNION

Brookes Union is the Students' Union at Oxford Brookes University. Membership is free and enrolment is automatic as soon you get here. We're here to help you through your university journey. From impartial advice, through course improvements to extra-curricular activities, there are many ways that your life at Brookes can benefit and a number of ways that you can get involved.

**BROOKES
UNION**
Est. 1921

**BROOKES
UNION
ADVICE**

*We can help you with
finance, academic and
housing issues
(in addition to the support
listed on pages 11 - 12).*

Our work ensures that Brookes students are better off financially. From resolving tenancy deposit disputes to helping secure additional funding we put hundreds of thousands of pounds back in student pockets each year.

WWW.BROOKESUNION.ORG.UK/ADVICE



**BROOKES
UNION
SOCIETIES**

*You can have amazing
new experiences and
make new friends by
joining one of our 90+
societies, including:*

**AFRICAN CARIBBEAN/CHINESE/CIRCUS/DANCE/DRAMA
/FASHION /JAZZ/JAPANESE/LAW/PHOTOGRAPHIC/
ROCK /RADIO/VEGAN AND VEGETARIAN/ESN**

Find a full list, as well as details of how you can start a new society here:

WWW.BROOKESUNION.ORG.UK/SOCIETIES



HERE TO HELP YOU...

We've been helping students since 1921.

**BROOKES
UNION
REPRESENTATION**

*We recruited and
supported over
400 student reps
in 2014/15*

These students gained invaluable training and experiences and improved things for themselves and others on their courses.

WWW.BROOKESUNION.ORG.UK/REPRESENTATION

**BROOKES
UNION
EVENTS**

*Brookes Union
hosts a range of
events through
the year...*

... from welcome events in Freshers Week, to a Summer Ball at the end of each year and lots in between.

In 2014/15 we delivered over 80 events, ranging from road trips to cinema nights and from laser tag to a puppy cuddles room.



WWW.BROOKESUNION.ORG.UK/EVENTS

Contact us...
we're here to help you!



WWW.BROOKESUNION.ORG.UK

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[@BROOKESUNION](https://www.instagram.com/brookesunion)



Life at Brookes

WHERE YOU WILL LIVE

HALLS OF RESIDENCE

We have made a huge investment in upgrading our halls of residence. Living in halls is a great way to be part of university life, meet people and make new friends. Halls provide somewhere convenient and comfortable to live alongside other students.

STUDYING AT BROOKES FOR 1 SEMESTER

As a study abroad or exchange student you will be automatically allocated a single room in our halls of residence close to Headington Campus, such as Clive Booth Hall (non-ensuite). You will normally receive your tenancy agreement no later than one month before you arrive.

STUDYING AT BROOKES FOR 2 SEMESTERS

You will not automatically be allocated a room, so will need to apply directly to the Accommodation Bureau. As soon as you have accepted your offer, we will send you a password so you can submit your accommodation preferences online.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN YOUR ACCOMMODATION?

Our facilities and services include:

- Single non-ensuite study bedroom
- Self-catered facilities
- Kitchen and bathroom facilities shared between a small group of fellow students
- Room facilities: bed base and mattress, mattress protector, desk and desk chair, reading lamp, wardrobe and curtains, pinboards for posters
- Duvet, pillows and bed linen are not provided, but a bedding pack may be purchased on arrival or pre-ordered
- Internet access
- Bus pass on Brookes Bus network (10 minutes to the city centre)
- Launderette available on site
- Basic possessions insurance
- Hall wardens on site

Many of our halls have adapted rooms for wheelchair users. For more information visit our website: www.brookes.ac.uk/students/wellbeing

If you ask for accommodation in a female-only flat, we will do our best to arrange it.

"I found it easy to settle into life at university. I think living in the halls of residence was a big part of that, as it allowed me to make friends quickly and to develop a support network."

Katherine Lilly, Exchange student from The University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

CLIVE BOOTH STUDENT VILLAGE (NON-ENSUITE)



SIZE OF HALL	LOCATION	HOW TO TRAVEL TO HEADINGTON CAMPUS	APPROXIMATE COST PER WEEK	HAS ADAPTED ROOMS
455 single study non-ensuite bedrooms	½ mile/800m from Headington Campus		£124.96 £118.14 (without sink)	



Self-catered halls, a shared kitchen



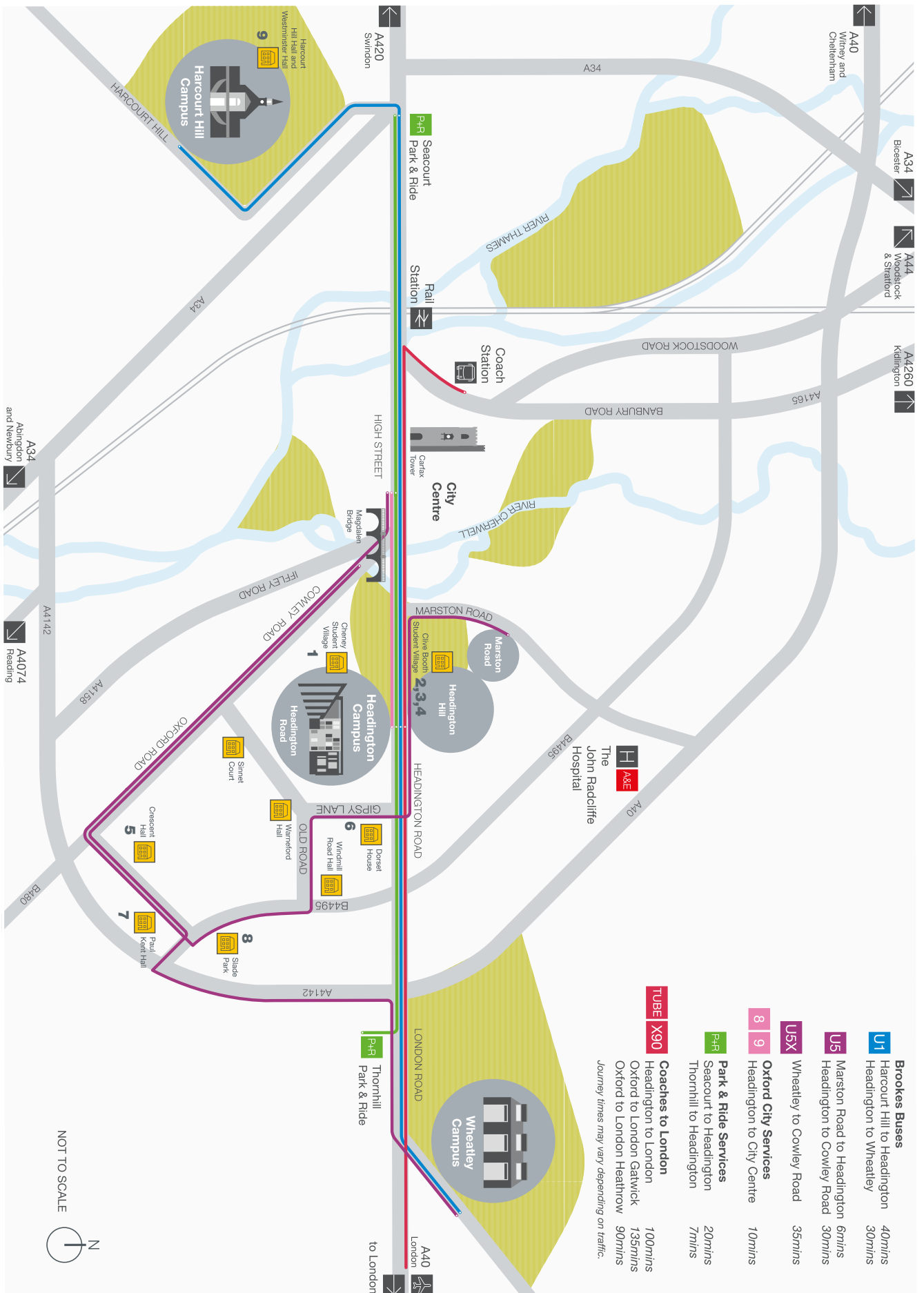
**£17 MILLION
INVESTED IN NEW
ACCOMMODATION**

The costs shown are for 2015/16 and are approximate. Costs for 2016/17 will be confirmed in 2016.



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE YOU WILL LIVE:
www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange/living-at-brookes

CAMPUS LOCATION MAP



What you can STUDY

We offer a range of undergraduate modules that suit your interests or relate to topics you are studying at home.

ARCHITECTURE AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- Architecture (limited places)
- City and Regional Planning
- Construction Project Management
- Interior Architecture (limited places)
- Planning and Property Development
- Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management
- Real Estate Management

ARTS

- Film Studies
- Fine Art (limited places)
- Music (majors only)

BIOLOGICAL, MEDICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

- Animal Biology and Conservation
- Environmental Sciences
- Human Biology
- Medical Science

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

- Accounting and Finance
- Business and Management
- Business Management
- Economics
- Event Management
- Human Resource Management
- Marketing Management

COMPUTING, COMPUTER NETWORKING AND DIGITAL MEDIA

- Audio Engineering and Music Production
- Computer Games and Animation
- Computer Science
- Computing for Robotic Systems
- Digital Media Production
- Information Technology Management for Business
- Network Computing
- Software Development for Business

EDUCATION, EARLY YEARS AND TEACHER TRAINING

- Early Childhood Studies (limited places)
- Education Studies (limited places)

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Restricted subject area. Please contact the study abroad team for more details.

- Adult and Mental Health Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Social Work

HUMANITIES

- Drama
- English Literature
- History
- History of Art
- Law
- Philosophy

LANGUAGES

- Applied Languages
- French Studies
- German
- Japanese Studies
- Mandarin
- Spanish

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, MOTORSPORTS AND MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

- Automotive Engineering
- Mathematical Sciences
- Mechanical Engineering
- Motorsport Technology

PUBLISHING AND COMMUNICATION

- Communication, Media and Culture
- English Language
- Publishing Media

SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Anthropology
- Geography
- International Relations
- Politics
- Psychology
- Sociology

SPORTS, EXERCISE AND NUTRITION

- Nutrition
- Sport and Exercise Science
- Sport, Coaching and Physical Education

GAINING CREDIT FOR YOUR STUDIES AT OXFORD BROOKES

All credits gained whilst studying can be transferred to your home university degree. You will earn either UK CATS (Credit Accumulation and Transfer Scheme) credits or European ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits.

Oxford Brookes modules	CATS credits	ECTS credits
1 single module	15	7.5
1 double module	30	15
1 semester's workload (4 modules)	60	30
1 semester's workload (8 modules)	120	60

To find out more visit our website: www.brookes.ac.uk/international/study-abroad-and-exchanges/coming-to-brookes/credits-equivalences

CHOOSING MODULES FOR YOUR COURSE

- Our courses are broken down into equal-sized study units known as modules. Each module consists of teaching support, private study and assessment.
- You will normally select four single modules per semester or equivalent. Double modules can also be taken; however some can last a full academic year, so these are not available if you are only studying for one semester.
- Formal teaching is usually around 3 hours a week in subjects like humanities and social sciences, and 6 hours a week in science and technology and some vocational subjects.
- Generally teaching takes place during the first 12 weeks. For the rest of the semester you will complete all the relevant assessments; this can include coursework or examinations.
- There are two semesters per academic year. The first semester is from September to December. The second semester is from January to May.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON MODULE OPTIONS, HAVE A LOOK AT OUR UNDERGRADUATE MODULAR HANDBOOK:
www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange/academic-study

How to APPLY

We welcome applicants from all countries with a wide range of international qualifications. We are happy to look into all applications on an individual basis, because **if you are interested in coming to Brookes then we are interested in finding out about you.** We are here to make sure your studies get off to the right start.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To apply for our exchange and study abroad programmes you will need to meet our academic and English language requirements (if English is not your first language).

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

You should have completed at least one year of university studies, have a good academic record and a GPA of 2.8 (on a 4.0 scale) or equivalent.

Some modules may have additional academic requirements; these will be noted in the Undergraduate Modular Handbook.

www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange/academic-study

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

If you are not a native speaker of English, please ensure that you meet our English language requirements of IELTS 6.0 (with 6.0 in reading and writing and 5.5 in listening and speaking) or equivalent. Some courses such as Law and Psychology may require a higher IELTS score, please refer to individual course entries on the website.

www.brookes.ac.uk/studying-at-brookes/courses

If you do not meet our English language requirements we offer a pre-sessional University English course (see page 16), which will help you reach the required level.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

For Semester 1 (September – December 2016): 13 May 2016

For Semester 2 (January – May 2017): 7 October 2016

APPLICATION PROCESS

Guidance information is available at

www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange

You will need to provide the following supporting documents:

- a copy of your passport
- an up-to-date academic reference letter (study abroad only)
- your personal statement of approximately 300 words (study abroad only)
- evidence of your English language qualifications (if English is not your first language)
- an academic transcript and an official translation (if this is not in English) which shows evidence of your background in the chosen subject(s).

If you are an exchange student, you should contact the exchanges office in your home university for application information and a list of required supporting documents.

After receiving your application, we will liaise with the faculty at Oxford Brookes to obtain approval for your study programme.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR VISAS

If you need a Tier 4 student visa you will need to meet the UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) English language requirements. Our academic English language requirements are higher than those specified by UKVI.

www.brookes.ac.uk/international/apply/english

EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA (EEA) STUDENTS

EEA and Swiss nationals can enter the UK by showing their passport or national identity card.

VISA INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS STUDYING FOR ONE SEMESTER

- In most cases you should apply for a Short-term study visa.
- However, you will need to apply for a Tier 4 Student visa if you are carrying out a work placement as part of your course, even if your work is voluntary or unpaid. Oxford Brookes will not automatically issue a CAS number (needed to apply for a Tier 4 student visa).

VISA INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS STUDYING FOR TWO SEMESTERS

- You will need to apply for a Tier 4 Student visa and will be issued with a CAS number automatically. Please check the UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) website

www.gov.uk/visas-immigration

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

If you are studying at one of our partner universities you can come to Oxford Brookes as an exchange student. If you are a European student this will usually be through the Erasmus+ scheme. We have exchange agreements with over 100 institutions worldwide; to find out who our exchange partners are visit:

www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange/partners



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO APPLY:

www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange

ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES

Accredited by the



for the teaching
of English

You can take our University English (Pre-sessional) course before, or as part of, a study abroad programme.

This course will improve your English language skills for any course at Oxford Brookes. It will familiarise you with university life, our study facilities and teaching methods before starting your main programme.

The course includes:

- academic reading
- academic writing
- academic listening and speaking
- study and research skills

The use of authentic materials in the classroom will develop your knowledge and understanding of studying at university level and also of British life and culture.

We offer 6 or 12 week courses. Please contact the study abroad and exchanges team if you would like advice on the most suitable course length for you.

There may be an additional charge for University English courses. See page 18.

What are your options for pre-sessional English?

UNDERGRADUATE

If you need IELTS 6.0 with 6.0 in reading and writing, 5.5 in speaking and listening (the requirement for most of our study abroad or exchange programmes at Oxford Brookes):

YOUR CURRENT IELTS	COURSE LENGTH
5.0 with at least 4.5 in all skills	12 weeks
5.5 with at least 5.0 in all skills	12 or 6 weeks
6.0 with at least 5.5 in all skills	6 weeks

The length of courses in this table is intended as a guide, but may vary.

KEY FACTS

If you are continuing at Oxford Brookes you will not need to retake an external English language examination to meet the language requirements of your next course.

Small classes: teaching takes place in classes of no more than 18 students

As a University English student you are part of the Oxford Brookes student community

Accredited by the British Council for the teaching of English

Personal academic advisers

High quality teaching staff

The course length will be tailored to suit your needs.

“Going on exchange is a great thing to put on your CV, especially when English is not your first language. Since it shows that you’re a hard worker and you are not afraid to take on a challenge.”

Alex Hartoft, Erasmus+ student from Stockholm University, Sweden.



IMPROVING YOUR ENGLISH AS PART OF A STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMME

If you are already a university student in your home country and would like the opportunity to improve your English language and/or academic study skills for one or two semesters at a UK university, then Oxford Brookes may be perfect for you.

WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?

If English is not your first language, please check the IELTS scores on the table below to find your appropriate study route.

ENTRY LEVEL	1 ST SEMESTER	2 ND SEMESTER	START DATES	CONTACT
IELTS 4.5 – 5.0	University English	University English	September	pathways@brookes.ac.uk
IELTS 5.0 – 5.5 / GPA 2.8	University English	Undergraduate academic subjects*	June, September	pathways@brookes.ac.uk
IELTS 6.0 + / GPA 2.8	Undergraduate academic subjects*	Undergraduate academic subjects*	September	studyabroad@brookes.ac.uk

**Some academic English modules are available as part of the undergraduate study abroad programme.*

MORE THAN TEACHING

One of the most important reasons for choosing Oxford Brookes is the quality of our English language teaching, which is widely respected and renowned. As well as being recognised experts in their field, our teaching staff provide invaluable support to our students. You will be assigned a personal academic adviser to help and counsel you throughout your time with us.



“I really want to broaden my language skills; to communicate with people here, as much as possible. I also want to gain practical skills like design skills or analysing skills for broadcasting or journalism.”

Misa Kanegae, Exchange student from Japan.

Misa Kanegae studied at Oxford Brookes for two semesters, as an exchange student from Meiji Gakuin University. In her first semester she completed the University English course, which allowed her to improve her English language and study skills in order to meet the entry requirements for the undergraduate exchange during her second semester. The academic modules she studied in semester 2 were related to her interest in international development and social change.

As a student at Oxford Brookes Misa made lots of international friends whilst living in university accommodation. In her free time, she enjoyed visiting museums and going to ballet lessons.

FEES AND LIVING COSTS

Studying at Oxford Brookes for 1 semester or a full academic year is a great investment in your future.

STUDY ABROAD

If you are applying through an Oxford Brookes overseas representative or an institution with which we have an agreement, for example your current college, there may be a package which includes tuition, accommodation and additional benefits. The institution you are applying through can supply you with the most up-to-date fees.

If you are applying independently, the table shows the fees that apply for pre-session and undergraduate courses. If you are a postgraduate student and are interested in the study abroad programme please contact the study abroad and exchanges office.

EXCHANGE (INTERNATIONAL AND ERASMUS+)

If applicable, tuition fees are paid through your home institution. You will normally have to pay accommodation fees and other expenses such as travel and food, etc. For a list of exchange partners visit:

www.brookes.ac.uk/exchange/partners

FINANCIAL AID

If you are from the USA you may be able to use your Federal Financial Aid towards the cost of the Oxford Brookes study abroad programme as we are registered with the US Department of Education (registration number G20879). Please check with your home institution.

If your university is one of the Santander Universities there may be additional funding opportunities at your home institution.

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APPROXIMATE TUITION FEES FOR UNDERGRADUATE COURSES 2016/17

PERIOD	APPROXIMATE ACCOMMODATION COSTS	TUITION 2016/17 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	TUITION 2016/17 EU STUDENTS
Semester 1 (Sept – Dec)	£1,650	£6,320	£3,000
Semester 2 (Jan – May)	£2,500	£6,320	£3,000
Semester 1+2 (Sept – May)	£120-£145 per week	£12,640	£6,000

APPROXIMATE TUITION FEES FOR PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES 2016/17

	TUITION 2016/17 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	TUITION 2016/17 EU STUDENTS
University English (6 week)	£1,950	£1,950
University English (12 weeks)	£3,690	£3,690

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST TO LIVE IN OXFORD?

The amount of money you will need for living costs will depend on your course and your lifestyle. This table shows an example of the cost of living for an Oxford Brookes student in 2015/16.

ESTIMATED LIVING EXPENSES PER WEEK (BASED ON AVERAGE LIVING IN HALLS)

Accommodation (self-catered) see pages 12	£137
Utility Bills (gas, electricity and water)	Included in hall fees
Telephone	£10*
Internet (included in most hall fees)	£5
Transport in Oxford	BROOKESBus pass included in hall fees
Food	£60
Household goods (toiletries, cleaning products, laundry etc)	£10
Leisure/sport/hobbies	£35
Books/stationery	£10
Insurance (included in hall fees)	£3
Other expenses (e.g. haircuts, gifts, clothes, emergencies)	£30
TOTAL WEEKLY EXPENDITURE	£310
Total monthly expenditure	£1,343
Total annual expenditure for study abroad/exchange students, studying for 2 semesters	£10,850

* Telephone costs will vary greatly depending on your phone contract and the number of international calls.



FOR MORE ON FEES:

www.brookes.ac.uk/international/finance-and-fees/tuition-fees

WHY STUDENTS CHOOSE BROOKES



“Going on exchange in a country you’ve never been to with people you’ve never met is absolutely terrifying. But I have learnt more about myself this past year than I ever thought possible, and I think I have become more the person I want to be. This whole experience has been amazing and has helped me grow in so many ways, and achieve the things I wanted to achieve for myself.”

Kira Harkonen, Exchange student from York University, Canada

“I would recommend the exchange programme at Oxford Brookes! It’s a great university, with quality staff and amazing facilities. The students welcome you with open arms, so it’s easy to feel like you’re at home.”

Nicholas Hodges, Exchange student from the University of Texas at Austin, USA

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