

Oxford University School Outreach in Hillingdon

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Link colleges

- Every region of the UK is linked to a particular college at the University of Oxford
- Hillingdon schools are linked to St Anne's College
- Outreach officers at the college are Jackie Watson and George Hobart
- We have a contacts list of teachers in schools



Oxford University's Outreach aims:

- Aim 1 Increase the knowledge of the benefits of Higher Education
- Aim 2 Development of realistic attitudes about Oxford/demystifying
- Aim 3 Increase awareness of the breadth of university courses and where they lead post-university (only focused on English but definitely the latter)
- Aim 4 Increase awareness of the distinctive features of studying at Oxford
- Aim 5 Develop practical skills to improve performance in the various stages of the application process
- Aim 6 Increase motivation to learn and study
- Aim 7 Improve skills necessary for university study
- Aim 8 Broadening subject knowledge
- Aim 9 Raising attainment





Did you know?



Myth-busting: students who get in to the University of Oxford

- Over 70% are from state schools
- Over 79% are from the UK
- Over 25% are BME backgrounds
- 23% in 2022 came from the least advantaged backgrounds (ACORN and POLAR data)
- One in four are on a University bursary
- We run a free Astrophoria Foundation programme







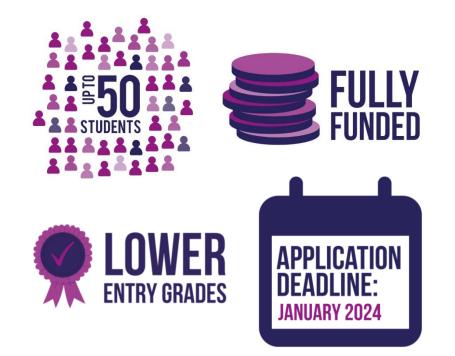
For UK state school students with significant academic potential who have experienced personal disadvantage or disrupted education

Courses in Science, Humanities, Law and PPE

Students who pass at the required level can progress onto undergraduate study at the University of Oxford















Oxford University

X 26,000!







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Inbound and outbound visits

- Our basic work with schools involves two kinds of activity: inbound visits to St Anne's and outbound visits to schools
- We can visit schools and talk with whole year groups or smaller groups (often more able students) from Year 7 to 13
- We also invite schools to bring groups into college usually Year 10 or Year 12, though any year group is welcome



Presentations and workshops

- We can present IAG sessions which help schools meet Gatsby benchmarks
- For Year 7/8 we have a session called 'What is University?'
- For Year 9/10 we have one called 'University and Future Choices'
- For Year 11/12 we present 'Competitive University Applications'



Presentations and workshops

- In addition to IAG sessions, we can deliver tailored workshops, often focused on Critical Thinking and Oracy
- We have helped some schools work on a debate and public speaking culture, and this can go alongside a visit to college



Visits to Oxford

- A **Discovery Day**, for KS4, has up to 30 students
- It usually starts with an IAG session, followed by a tour of college/Q&A with undergraduate ambassadors.
- After lunch we take the group for a hands-on session at a local museum, or to an exhibition at the Bodleian Library
- Apart from getting to Oxford, everything is provided free



Visits to Oxford

- A **Taster Day**, for KS5, again has up to 30 students
- It also starts with an IAG session, but this time we follow this with taster lectures from research students – aimed at Sixth Form students
- The ambassadors show students round college and answer questions
- After lunch, we usually have a tour of a second college



Our newsletter

- Our monthly newsletter aims to keep teachers up to date with information they will find helpful supporting students
- We share what is on offer from all colleges at the University, so teachers can share this with students
- If you are not currently on our mailing list and would like to be, please email <u>outreach@st-annes.ox.ac.uk</u> and we'll add you!



University Opportunities now and coming up...

- Applications for our Astrophoria Foundation Year are open until the January UCAS deadline
- Applications for Target Oxbridge, a sustained programme for Black African and Caribbean Year 12s, are now open
- Applications for UNIQ open in the new year, but students can already sign up for information









Year 11 Women* in STEM programme – run by St Anne's and Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge

- Applications for this are now open
- Women and non-binary Year 11 students can apply for the free programme
- There are online after school sessions exploring different sciences in January
- These are followed by a day at either St Anne's or Fitzwilliam in April with speakers and visits covering a variety of STEM courses







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