

Dear Fresher

We look forward to welcoming you to New College. I am writing with further details about matriculation, the ceremony that marks your formal admission to the University of Oxford, which will take place on **Saturday 14 October 2017**.

Matriculation

For those who are starting their first degree at Oxford this October, attendance at matriculation is compulsory.

- Please gather at the foot of the Hall steps in the Front Quad at 8.15am on Saturday 14 October 2017
- You **MUST** wear sub fusc and gown (see details at: <http://www.new.ox.ac.uk/academic-dress>). **You will not be allowed to matriculate if you are not correctly dressed**
- The Dean of Arts and myself will take a roll-call, and then the gates will be opened onto New College Lane for the Dean of Arts to lead you to the Sheldonian Theatre
- The ceremony lasts about half an hour
- No guests can be admitted due to space restrictions
- Please gather (still wearing sub fusc and gown) at 1.00pm in the college garden for the group and individual matriculation photographs, which will last about half an hour

If you are a graduate of the University of Cambridge or Trinity College, Dublin, you do not have to matriculate. Instead, you can incorporate your Cambridge or Trinity degree (see details at <http://www.new.ox.ac.uk/matriculation>). If you would like to do this, please let me know as soon as possible.

(Please note: Matriculation confers membership of the University on students; therefore, if you have already matriculated at Oxford for a previous degree, you cannot matriculate again. However, please come to the year group photo session that afternoon.)

Photographs

A formal photographer will be in college on 14 October to take two group photos (the first of matriculands and the second of the whole year-group). The group photos will be taken at 1.00 and 1.15pm. The photographer will also be available for individual photos between 12.15 and 3.30pm.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any queries about matriculation, incorporation or photographs.

With best wishes
Fliss

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