



NEW COLLEGE
GUIDE FOR
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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Welcome to New College!

I'm Victoria Burchett and I will be your International and Overseas Student Officer this academic year. I'll be starting my second year studying PPE this fall. When not at Oxford, I live in Texas in the US. If you have any other questions not answered by this guide, feel free to reach out!

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Preparing for Oxford

Student Visa

If you haven't already gotten your visa, do this as soon as possible. You can apply for a visa starting 6 months before your course begins. You need to have your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) statement from the college, which should have been emailed to you. Depending on your home country, you may need vaccinations or a tuberculosis test.

Find more information and complete the application here:

<https://www.gov.uk/student-visa>

Scheduling

Normally, your lease will begin on the Tuesday of 0th week (the week before term officially begins), but for Fresher's week move-in is on Monday 5 October, during 0th week. If you wish to arrive earlier, you can email accommodation@new.ox.ac.uk and request vacation residence. This is billed nightly at the same rate as during term time. Move out day is the Saturday of 8th week each term. Keep this in mind when scheduling transportation.

2026-2027 Term Dates (move in to move out)

Michaelmas: Monday 5 October – Saturday 5 December

Hilary: Tuesday 12 January – Saturday 13 March

Trinity: Tuesday 20 April – Saturday 19 June

Transportation

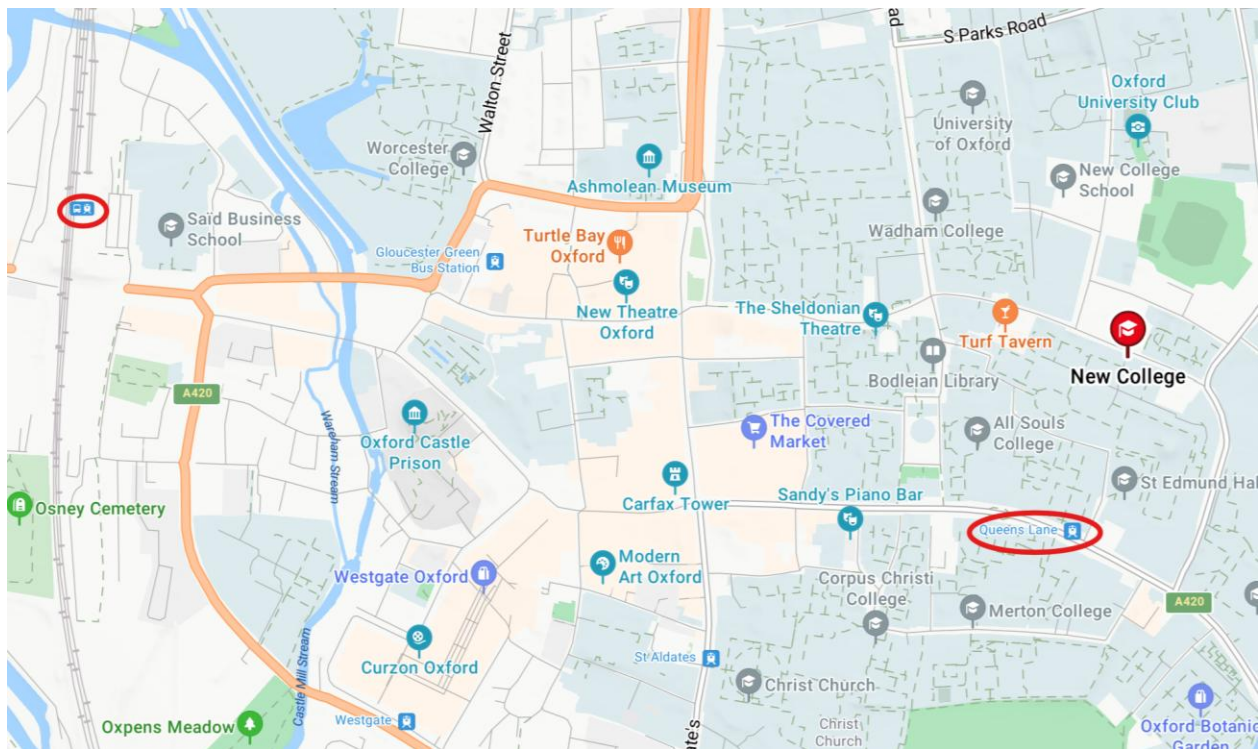
If you are flying into Heathrow or Gatwick, the most direct (and affordable) way to get to college is by taking The Airline bus service to the Queen's Lane (K5) Bus Stop.

You can book tickets here:

<https://www.theairlineoxford.co.uk/tickets/book-online/>

You can also get a train to the Oxford train station where you can get a bus to the Queen's Lane stop or walk straight to college (about 20mins).

The train station is circled on the left and Queen's Lane is on the right, just south of college.



In Oxford

Mail

Your mail will be delivered to the Porters and they will either put it in your pidge (pigeon hole), if it's small, or email you to pick it up, if it's a large parcel. Your new address is written here on the right.

Your Full Name
New College
Holywell Street
Oxford
OX1 3BN
United Kingdom

Banking

Getting a bank account in the United Kingdom can be required for getting certain phone plans and will make sending bank transfers much easier. Setting up an account is easy and fast, just make sure to have your passport, your Tax Identification Number from your home country, and your signed accommodation letter from the college.

Here are some of the banks in Oxford:

[HSBC](#)

[Lloyd's](#)

[Barclay's](#)

[NatWest](#)

Phone Plans

If you set up Eduroam (information should be sent to you soon), you will automatically connect to Wi-Fi whenever you are close to a university building, so getting a phone plan isn't super urgent, but it is good to have. Make sure to ask if the provider has a discounted student plan.

Here are some of the providers in town:

[Vodafone](#)

[O2](#)

[Giffgaff](#)

Vacation Storage

Since you must move out between each term, international students are allocated six boxes (or suitcases) of free storage. You will be emailed about this towards the end of term.

Clubs and Societies

There are clubs and societies at both the college and university level. You will get to learn all about them during fresher's week. There are also many international societies where you can find people from your home country!

You can explore them here: <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/life/clubs/list>