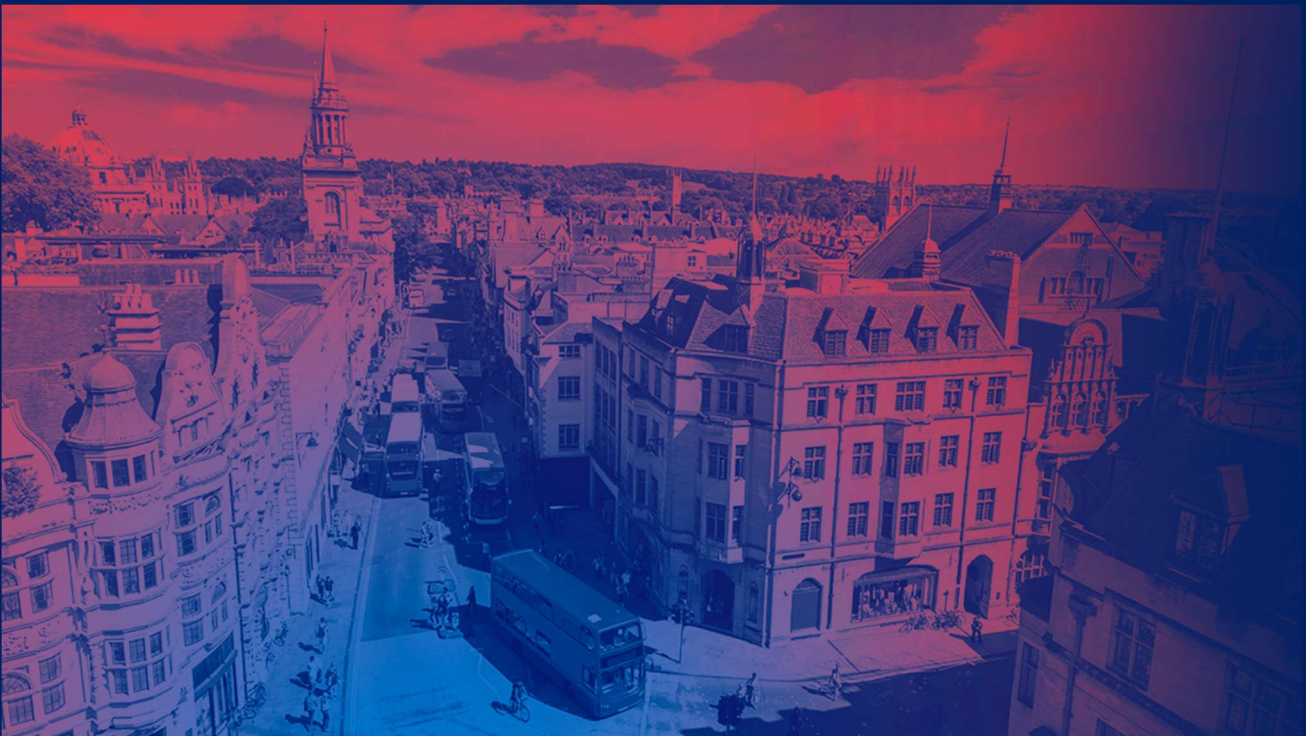


Welcome Guide

Oxford



2026 – 2027



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- [Oxford campus – EM Normandie Business School – Rentrée \(em-normandie.com\)](https://www.em-normandie.com)
- <https://www.em-normandie.co.uk/>

Opening Times

The campus is open:

- Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm
- Closed on weekends



Academic Year Overview

PROGRAMME GRANDE ÉCOLE (PGE)

Semester 1

Year Group	Dates
U2, U3, M1	28 September – 18 December 2026
U1, M2 / MSc	29 September – 18 December 2026

Break: Thursday 29 to Friday 30 October 2026

Semester 2

Year Group	Dates
All	05 January – 26 March 2027

Break: Thursday 25 to Friday 26 February 2027

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (BBA)

Semester 6

Year Group	Dates
BBA	19 January – 13 May 2027

Breaks:

Thursday 25 to Friday 26 February 2027

Monday 30 March to Friday 9 April 2027

Visa and Immigration

→ To enter the UK, you need a **valid passport** and a **return (or onward) ticket**.

→ Before travelling, check whether you are a “**visa national**” or a “**non-visa national**”. This depends on your nationality and affects what you need to do before travel.

• **Visa nationals:** nationalities listed on the UK Visitor Visa National List:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/immigration-rules/immigration-rules-appendix-visitor-visa-national-list>

• **Non-visa nationals:** all other nationalities

→ You should also check your personal situation using the official UK tool:

<https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa> (select your country → ‘study’ → ‘6 months or less’)

Scenario 1: You need an Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA)	Scenario 2: You need a Standard Visitor Visa
<p><i>Applies to most non-visa nationals</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No visa application required • ETA required before travel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Valid for multiple trips up to 6 months per stay (182 days) - Valid for 2 years or until your passport expires - Costs £20 <p>Apply here: https://www.gov.uk/eta</p>	<p><i>Applies to visa nationals</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You must apply for a Standard Visitor visa before travel • Allows study for up to 6 months (182 days) • Costs £135 <p>Apply here: https://www.gov.uk/standard-visitor</p> <p>Please note that you must provide the relevant and required documents with a Standard Visitor visa application as explained in the UKVI guidance.</p>

→ Important to know

All students entering under these routes will have Standard Visitor status. This allows short-term study only (up to 6 months).

⊘ You cannot:

- Work (paid or unpaid) - You may volunteer (unpaid work) for **up to 30 days only**
- Do internships or work placements

For more information on what you can and cannot do as a Standard Visitor visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/standard-visitor>

→ **Arrival date in the UK**

You must not arrive in the UK more than **182 days before your planned departure date**.

Arriving earlier would prevent you from staying until the end of the semester, including final exams.

Example:

If you plan to leave on **Saturday 26 March 2027**, the earliest you may arrive is **Friday 25 September 2026**, not before.

Stay on campus	Programme Period	Departure Date → Earliest Arrival in the UK
Full academic year	Year groups: U2, U3, M1 From 28 September 2026 to 25 March 2027	26 March 27 → 25 September 26 27 March 27 → 26 September 26 28 March 27 → 27 September 26 29 March 27 → 28 September 26
	Year groups: U1, M2/MSc From 29 September 2026 to 25 March 2027	etc.
1st semester only	Year groups: U2, U3, M1 From 28 September 2026 to 18 December 2026	19 December 26 → 20 June 26 20 December 26 → 21 June 26 21 December 26 → 22 June 26 22 December 26 → 23 June 26
	Year groups: U1, M2/MSc From 29 September 2026 to 18 December 2026	etc.
2nd semester only	PGE all year groups From 5 January 2027 to 25 March 2027	Example: if you want to leave the UK on 1 st June 2027, you need to arrive on 1 st December 2026 at the earliest (182 days before).
	BBA From 19 January 2027 to 13 May 2027	

Healthcare

Access to the NHS (National Health Service) is universal, but depending on your immigration status within the UK, you may be charged for accessing certain services. We strongly recommend buying a private travel insurance before you arrive in the UK.

Emergency number: 999 (for life-threatening emergencies)

**A&E (Emergency Departments):
John Radcliffe Hospital, Headley Way, Headington, Oxford OX3 9DU**

NHS 111

For medical advice, call **111** or visit <https://111.nhs.uk/>.

Note: A UK phone number is required for call-backs.

Find a GP (Local Doctor)

It is recommended to register with a GP as soon as possible. Delays can be long.

Find a GP: <https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-gp>

Medical Apps

Private apps allow same-day appointments (fees apply):

- TapGP: <https://tapgp.co.uk/>
- DoctorSa: <https://doctorsa.com>

Pharmacy First

Advice and treatment for minor illnesses directly from a local pharmacy, without seeing a GP: sinusitis, sore throat, earache, infected insect bite, UTI, thrush, etc.

Free Services for Everyone

- Treatment in Accident & Emergency (A&E)
- Treatment for certain infectious diseases
- Compulsory psychiatric treatment
- Family planning services

EU/EEA Nationals (EHIC/GHIC)

- With a valid EHIC or GHIC, you can access medically necessary care during your stay
- Some costs may still apply (prescriptions, dentist, eye care)
- Planned treatment is not covered

Non-EU Nationals

- Most NHS services are chargeable, including for short-term students
- Without insurance, you may be charged up to 150% of NHS costs

Budget

Plan Your Budget

If you need advice on planning your budget, visit:

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/fees-funding/assistance/managing-budget>

Source: University of Oxford

How to Finance Your Studies

A Standard Visitor:

- Cannot work in the UK
- Cannot access public funds

For financial support, contact: wellness@em-normandie.fr

Estimated Monthly Living Costs (Oxford)

	Likely living costs for 1 month	
	Lower range	Upper range
Accommodation	£ 825	£ 990
Food	£ 315	£ 545
Personal Items	£ 160	£ 310
Social Activities	£ 50	£ 130
Study Costs	£ 35	£ 90
Other	£ 20	£ 40
Total	£ 1 405	£ 2 105

Source: University of Oxford - <https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs>

Student Card (ISIC)

New students will receive their student card on arrival.

Returning students can activate it digitally.

App: <https://www.isic.org/app/>

Student Discounts

Access discounts across the UK:

- Food & restaurants: <https://www.universityliving.com/services/order-food-online>
- General discounts: <https://www.universityliving.com/student-discounts-offers>
- Brand discounts: <https://connect.studentbeans.com/v4/decathlon/uk>

Accommodation

Start Early

We strongly advise you to start your search as early as possible.

Even if you are short on time, always:

- Read your contract carefully
- Check that the accommodation is furnished
- Confirm what is included (bills, internet, etc.)

Find My Accommodation

Use the **EM Normandie platform** to explore housing options in Oxford:

<https://rentree.em-normandie.com/en/your-scholl-year/find-my-accommodation-in-oxford/>

You'll find different options such as private student residences and host families. For accommodation enquiries, please contact: accommodation@em-normandie.co.uk

Additional Options

- Brookes University Partnership: see the separate document.
- Private Landlords Catalogue: see the separate document.

Useful Information

- « How to rent: » guide: official UK checklist to understand your tenant rights and what to check before signing a rental contract.
- **Right to Rent (<6 months)**
 - You do not need a share code
 - Required documents:
 - Passport
 - Proof of student status
 - Proof of entry to the UK

Avoid Scams

- Never pay without a signed contract
- Visit the property or ask for a video tour
- Do not pay large amounts upfront
- Always check landlord details

Council Tax

If you receive a Council Tax bill, don't ignore it.

Ask the Oxford campus assistant for a Certificate of Registration so you can apply for an exemption.

Life in Oxford

Bank Account

You do **not** need a UK bank account.
Most students use **online banks** (cheaper and easier).
For currency exchange, use a **post office** to avoid extra fees.

Phone & Internet

Wi-Fi is usually included in accommodation (check your contract).
Free Wi-Fi is available on campus.
A **UK SIM card or eSIM** is recommended for calls, data, and services.

Eating & Shopping

Campus cafeteria: Monday to Friday, 8am - 3pm
Westgate shopping centre is 3 minutes away.
Oxford city centre is within walking distance

Getting Around

Oxford is small and easy to explore on foot.

- **Bicycle:** most popular option, bike racks on campus
- **Bus:** frequent services across the city (can be busy at peak times)

Visit <https://www.oxfordbus.co.uk/tickets> for prices.

We recommend buying Adult 13 Week Cityzone or Smartzone (includes Stagecoach buses).

Discover Oxford

Explore the city:
<https://www.oxford.gov.uk/visit-oxford>
<https://oxfordcity.co.uk/>

See you soon!

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