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SUMMER BOARDING COURSES

Oxford College Summer School

Pre-University Experience

Ages 15-17





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We wholeheartedly recommend SBC to any parent seeking an exceptional and life-changing educational experience for their child.

HASSAN, PARENT, UAE

Oxford

THE CITY OF DREAMING SPIRES

Oxford is not just a city; it's a transformative experience. It embodies a blend of academic excellence, historical grandeur, cultural richness, and a warm, welcoming atmosphere. For students with a thirst for knowledge and a desire to be part of a legacy, Oxford College promises a memorable educational experience that leaves a mark and benefits our students futures.



A TIMELESS HAVEN FOR SCHOLARS

Located in the heart of the United Kingdom, Oxford has earned its reputation as a celebrated academic haven, attracting students from around the world for centuries. From the impressive halls of Oxford University Colleges to the charming historic sites, vibrant local culture, and a rich tapestry of alumni, this city offers a unique blend of tradition and modernity that is sure to captivate aspiring scholars.

STEEPED IN HISTORY

The city itself is steeped in history, with its roots dating back to the 9th century. The stunning architecture of Oxford's colleges, such as Christ Church and Magdalen, is a testament to its rich heritage. A walk down the cobblestone streets will transport you to a past era, where history comes to life around every corner. The Bodleian Library, one of the oldest libraries in Europe, houses an awe-inspiring collection of ancient manuscripts and texts, making it a treasure trove for history enthusiasts.

EXPERIENCE ALL OXFORD OFFERS

Beyond its academic acclaim, Oxford offers a diverse range of attractions. The Ashmolean Museum showcases a world-class collection of art and artifacts, while the Botanic Garden provides a tranquil escape for nature lovers.

For those looking for a touch of whimsy, the Pitt Rivers Museum is a fascinating exploration of civilisation. The city's picturesque parks and meadows, including Port Meadow and University Parks, offer a serene backdrop for leisurely walks and picnics.



WORLD FAMOUS ALUMNI

Oxford University boasts a prestigious history of alumni who have left a their mark on the world. Among its most notable alumni are celebrated writers like J.R.R. Tolkien and Lewis Carroll, whose literary works continue to inspire generations. Notable scientists like Stephen Hawking and Sir Roger Penrose have pushed the boundaries of human knowledge from these very streets. Studying in Oxford means walking in the footsteps of legends, a source of inspiration for any aspiring student.

Shape your future

AT SBC OXFORD COLLEGE

Experience undergraduate life

Studying in Oxford provides students with an unparalleled undergraduate experience. Learn in a traditional higher education setting, through a series of lectures, seminars, tutorials and hands on practical workshops.

Benefit from accessing facilities of one of the world's leading universities, as well as lessons led by inspirational tutors, plus the opportunity to prepare for your future studies and career.

Oxford's central location in the UK makes it an ideal hub for exploring top cities including London during their excursions.



A GLOBAL LEARNING COMMUNITY

At SBC we broaden horizons, developing global citizens who have a greater awareness and understanding of the wider world and their impact in it. **We've welcomed 152 nationalities onto our courses to date**, our commitment to achieving a balanced nationality mix across our courses ensures a truly multinational experience for all.

The achievements and experiences young people share on our courses help to shape their future.

IMMERSE IN THE LOCAL CULTURE

We carefully select our locations to ensure that they provide the **perfect environment for our students to live and study in**. During our residential courses, students embark on excursions in their surrounding areas in order to immerse themselves in the local culture. Trips can include visits to museums, art galleries, local attractions and theme parks.



DEVELOP INDEPENDENCE

We encourage young people to **take ownership of their future** through education and be the very best version of themselves. Our teachers often describe the immeasurable growth in confidence from the time students arrive on day 1, through to the end of their course. These life-changing experiences help affirm their independence and prepare them for the real world.

LIVE & STUDY AT

Esteemed Colleges of the University of Oxford

Students are accommodated on-site in secure and comfortable accommodations during their stay. Oxford is consistently ranked as one of the safest cities within the United Kingdom.

Our Oxford College accommodation comprises of spacious single-rooms with options for shared and en-suite bathrooms.

With easy access to Oxford city centre and close to University Parks, students will be fully immersed in the distinct Oxford atmosphere during their stay with us.

Oxford College Summer School is operated by Summer Boarding Courses Ltd. Summer Boarding Courses Ltd is an organisation which contracts the use of facilities, but has no formal connection with the University of Oxford.



Wadham College



"After a summer with SBC I feel a lot different. When I came here I wasn't quite sure what I wanted to do with my future...by experiencing all of these subjects I've got a better picture of what I want to do now. I have learnt a lot and I am ready for my future."

JASPER, STUDENT, GERMANY 



"My daughter thoroughly enjoyed the academic program, activities, excursions and friendship there. Everything was far beyond our expectations and we definitely suggest SBC for parents who are looking for both academic and social development of their children."

EBRU, PARENT, TURKEY 



"It's been 5 whole summers of being apart of the SBC family, and I couldn't have asked for it to be any other way. I don't know how to thank you enough for making my summers unforgettable, for making my life amazing. I am me because of you. You helped me grow into who I am today, and I know I wouldn't be myself without SBC."

RAGHAD, STUDENT, SAUDI ARABIA 



Pre-University Experience

Designed for ambitious students seeking to combine subject-specific study with professional experiences; developing skills that will benefit future studies and career prospects.

Ages 15-17 Level B1+

OUR ACADEMIC APPROACH

At the core of our student-centered academic approach is a commitment to nurturing not just subject knowledge, but also communication, critical thinking, and collaboration skills through interactive lectures, dynamic seminars, and hands-on practical workshops.

We emphasise the development of your public speaking and teamwork

through group work and our Time to Shine projects.

And finally, our programme of engaging guest speakers and industry experiences bring real-world relevance to your learning.

This immersive learning journey will empower you with the skills you need for success in the 21st century.



WHAT'S INCLUDED

- ◆ **25 hours of subject-specific academic content** per week with an experienced subject tutor, delivered through interactive seminars and hands-on practical workshops
- ◆ **Dedicated academic coaching sessions** designed to support you in applying for a UK university, whether that's writing a personal statement or preparing for a presentation
- ◆ **Opportunities to apply and share knowledge** with your peers through dynamic group projects, culminating in the end-of-the-week Time to Shine Ceremony
- ◆ **Develop your English language skills**, whether that's building vocabulary to talk about your subject, or developing your speaking skills to present your Time To Shine project
- ◆ **An action-packed programme of guest speakers and industry experiences** each week designed to give you first-hand insight into your chosen field

Guest Speakers & Industry Experience

As part of the college experience we bring real-world relevance to your learning. SBC students can interact and learn from industry experts, providing a multi-dimensional approach to their learning.

- ◆ Empower students with the skills needed for success in the 21st-century
- ◆ Blend practical engagement with immersive learning
- ◆ Led by industry professionals
- ◆ Excursions that compliment your chosen course – Broadening your horizons
- ◆ Academic coaching that supports university preparation
- ◆ Sessions take place both on and off campus



GUEST SPEAKERS

Leaders of today inspiring the Leaders of tomorrow

Every Wednesday morning, students can interact with leading professionals and academics. At Oxford College, the guest speaker programme has previously feature guests from a myriad of industries, enriching the academic experience for students. Join us as renowned medical practitioners delve into healthcare intricacies, AI innovators explore future technologies, seasoned journalists and policy experts highlight global trends, and practicing barristers offer insightful legal perspectives. These sessions offer insightful discussions, expert views, and Q&A sessions that promote intellectual growth.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Dive deeper into your field beyond the classroom

Enhance your academic foundation with our comprehensive Industry Experience sessions. These sessions are both on-site, in which you will participate in workshops that are led by an industry professional and blend practical engagement with immersive learning, and off-site, in which students engage in excursions that complement your course content and will broaden your horizons.

ACADEMIC COACHING

Stand out in your university application

Whether you're looking to apply for a UK university or just keen to make sure your university application is as strong as possible, our academic coaching sessions aim to ensure you stand apart from your peers. These workshops will not just focus on writing personal statements and preparing for university, but also help you to develop your public speaking skills, an integral skill for university courses.

INSPIRING ACADEMIC

Oxford College Courses

Explore your area of interest during a two week programme through a series of inspiring lectures, interactive tutorials and industry workshops. We are firm believers that education extends far beyond the classroom.

AVAILABLE COURSES

BUSINESS (B1+)

Embark on a transformative journey into the world of business. Our two-week course is designed to ignite your entrepreneurial spirit and equip you with the skills and knowledge you need to thrive in today's business world.

COMPUTER SCIENCE (B1+)

Immersive exploration of the dynamic world of coding. An invitation for students to begin a transformative journey into the heart of computer science and programming. Prepare to equip yourself with essential skills and knowledge, unlocking the doors to success in the digital age.



ENGINEERING (B1+)

Designed for those with a keen interest in engineering. Students will focus on a variety of topics, ranging from robotics to aeronautics. Explore the future of engineering and investigate the challenges that the engineers of tomorrow await.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (B1+)

Explore the fundamental pillars of International Relations, delving into the pivotal roles of organisations like the United Nations and NATO, and investigating further the political challenges inherent in our increasingly globalised society, gaining profound insights into our rapidly evolving world.

LAW (B1+)

From Tort and Family Law to Criminal and Contract law, gain a comprehensive understanding of the legal landscape. Learn the essentials of legal language and argumentation, a foundation for any aspiring lawyer. Unravel the intricacies of legal trials here in the UK, and gain a real-world perspective.

MEDICINE (B1+)

For budding medical enthusiasts wishing to expand their horizons and equip themselves with the knowledge and skills crucial for a future in healthcare. Take part in a certified First Aid training course, and participate in cutting-edge virtual reality medical simulations.

POLITICS (B1+)

Empowering tomorrows leaders, students immerse themselves in advanced concepts of political theory, engage in insightful discussions about the ever-evolving landscape of globalisation and uncover the root causes of political conflict and instability, examining both local and global implications.

College Social Programme

Our college students participate in a variety of engaging activities and wellbeing events in addition to our core classes. Students interact with classmates outside of their subject areas during the social programme, fostering a community feel on campus.



Our social programme is led by the College Mentors with students at the very heart of it, who choose and shape the programme's activities around their interests.

Our college social programme includes:

- ◆ Local Excursions
- ◆ Varsity Sport
- ◆ Wellbeing Sessions
- ◆ Evening Socials
- ◆ Creative Arts
- ◆ Leisure Centre
- ◆ University Prep Seminars
- ◆ Graduation Ceremony

Please note - the above activities are given as examples and are subject to change.

Our Oxford College Excursions

At the weekend our college students embark on excursions to their surrounding areas including a trip to central London and the opportunity to explore more of what Oxford has to offer in order to immerse themselves in the local culture.



CENTRAL LONDON

Experience the ultimate day out in the UK's Capital City, London. Students can shape their experience by choosing from a choice of walking tours, museum visits, art galleries and more. Alongside experiencing the famous street performers and shops of Covent Garden, students will dine in the city before enjoying panoramic views from either the London Eye or a Thames River Cruise.



OXFORD

Our Oxford excursion is a chance to rest, relax, and really get to know the hidden gems of the city. Students will choose from a range of quintessential Oxford activities, before going on a punting tour of the city.



Please note - Excursions are subject to change - the above are given as examples. Speak to an admissions manager for the most up-to-date information.

Graduation Ceremony

At the end of each two-week course, our Oxford College students celebrate their achievements with a formal graduation ceremony and disco at a prestigious location. The graduation ceremony offers moments of reflection and an opportunity to recognise achievements, both personal and academic, alongside new friends.



End of Course Certificate & Reference Letter

A graduation certificate will be presented to students during the special ceremony. We'll also provide you with a letter of reference from Summer Boarding Courses, which outlines all of your accomplishments while studying with us; this letter can be used for formal university and employment applications. You will also receive a booklet of helpful academic advice to guide you in the right direction towards future success.

Sample Timetable

COLLEGE | WEEK ONE

Discover more about what a typical two-week course at Oxford College Summer School looks like for our students. Please note our sample timetable is given as an example and can be subject to change.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
Breakfast 08:00 - 08:45							
Morning Assembly 08:45 - 09:00						London Cultural Excursion	
Arrival Day	Academic Programme 09:00 - 10:30	Academic Programme 09:00 - 10:30	Guest Lecture 09:00 - 10:30	Academic Programme 09:00 - 10:30	Academic Programme 09:00 - 10:30		
	Break 10:30 - 11:00						
	Academic Programme 11:00 - 12:30	Academic Programme 11:00 - 12:30	Academic Programme 11:00 - 12:30	Academic Programme 11:00 - 12:30	Academic Programme 11:00 - 12:30		
	Lunch 12:30 - 13:30						
	Welcome Orientation 13:30 - 16:15	Academic Programme 13:30 - 14:45	Industry Experience 13:30 - 16:15	Academic Programme 13:30 - 14:45	Academic Programme 13:30 - 14:45		
		Break 14:45 - 15:00		Break 14:45 - 15:00			
		Academic Programme 15:00 - 16:15		Academic Programme 15:00 - 16:15	Academic Programme 15:00 - 16:15 x		
	Free Time / Career Counselling / Tutorials 16:15 - 18:30						
Dinner 18:30 - 19:30			Evening Event 18:30 - 21:30	Dinner 18:30 - 19:30			
Evening Assembly 19:30 - 19:45				Evening Assembly 19:30 - 19:45			
Evening Event 19:45 - 21:30	Evening Event 19:45 - 21:30	Wellbeing Activity 19:45 - 21:30		Wellbeing Activity 19:45 - 21:30	Evening Event 19:45 - 21:30		
Evening Free Time (on site) 21:30 - 22:30							
All students to Rooms 22:30							

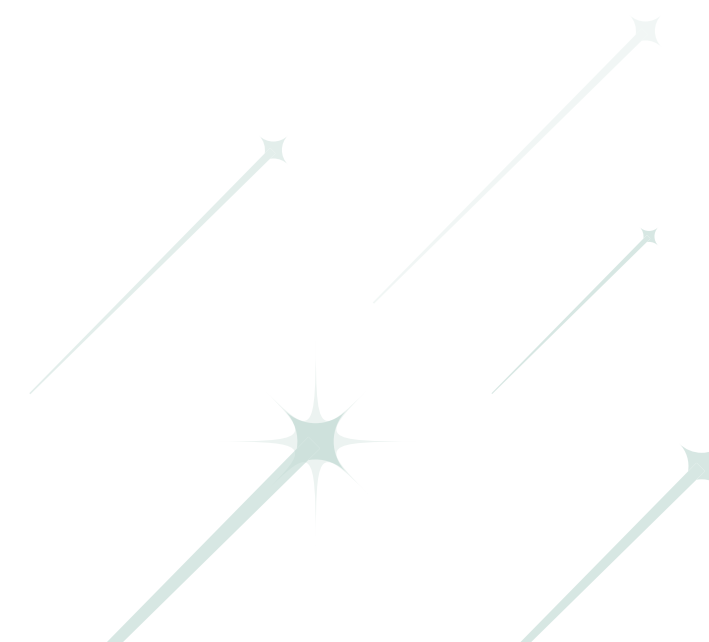


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It's a very good experience for students who are interested in personal growth and for everybody who is not so sure about what they want to do in future years.

I feel like my course really helped me realise what I want to do in life and what university I want to attend.

AGA, STUDENT, POLAND



The Booking Process

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COURSE SELECTION

Visit our website to discover the wide variety of campuses and courses available to you. If you need support finding the right course, speak with a member of our expert admissions team, who will guide you through the selection process. You can do this by making an online enquiry.

From the moment you enquire to the end of your child's stay, your own Admissions Manager will provide expert support and guidance. We achieved 99% Customer Support Satisfaction in 2022.

2

CONFIRMATION OF PLACE

Once you've enquired and selected your chosen course and campus, you'll be asked to complete our online booking form. Upon receipt of your completed booking form, we will send you confirmation of your place, alongside an invoice for your booking and next steps.

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PAYMENT OF FEES

A deposit of £700 is required to secure your booking. The remaining course fees must be paid by the Wednesday 1st May 2024. Any bookings after this date must be paid in full at the time of booking. Payments for day camps are due in full at point of booking.

Transfers: for a supplementary fee we offer an Airport Transfer service to and from Heathrow Airport. Please ask us about this at the time of booking.

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PREPARATION FOR SUMMER

Ahead of the summer we'll use this time to gather important information for your time with us. This includes medical information, travel and visa requirements.

Placement Test: Each student will take a placement test to confirm their English language level.

Parent Welcome Pack: We will also provide you with a welcome pack with information about your arrival to your chosen school or college.

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SECURE YOUR PLACE TODAY!

Our Admissions team are on hand to answer any queries you may have about your upcoming summer with us. A booking can be made online on our website summerboardingcourses.com

Course places are limited so we recommend booking early. If you are booking on behalf of a family, please let us know at the time of booking.

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Consultancy Services

Alongside our short courses, SBC and our sister companies support students throughout the year with private tuition, university application support, and career advice.

OXBRIDGE APPLICATION

The world-leading consultancy preparing students to apply for Oxford and Cambridge University. They provide personal statement guidance, admissions test tuition and interview practice.

oxbridgeapplications.com

THE LAWYER PORTAL

A content resource and training provider used by millions of aspiring lawyers, in partnership with the Law Society, the Bar Council and CILEx.

thelawyerportal.com

THE MEDIC PORTAL

The UK's leading platform for Medical School applicants, founded by Doctors and in official partnership with the Royal Society of Medicine.

themedicportal.com

A-LIST EDUCATION

The global leader in Ivy League & US admissions consultancy.

alisteducation.co.uk

JK EDUCATE

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