



OXFORD LONDON SUMMER PROGRAMME 2026

From London's Innovation to Oxford's Tradition – A Unique British
Academic Experience

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Your Future Starts This Summer.



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It is my absolute pleasure to welcome you to The Oxford Institute, where every program is built around one simple belief: you are at the heart of everything we do.

Founded by academics and alumni of the University of Oxford, The Oxford Institute is proud to be one of Oxford's most established and respected summer schools. Over the years, we have welcomed students and professionals from across the globe, each bringing their own strengths, passions, and perspectives.

What makes us different is our personalised approach. We work with small, carefully selected cohorts, ensuring that every participant is seen, heard, and supported. Whether you are joining us for an academic program, leadership journey, or cultural immersion, you will find yourself challenged, inspired, and empowered at every step.

Our philosophy is simple: learning should be transformative. That is why our programs combine academic excellence with personal growth, cultural enrichment, and unforgettable experiences. From small tutorials with world-class Oxford academics, to hands-on workshops, to opportunities for debate, leadership, and exploration every moment is designed to help you grow and realise your full potential.

Above all, we are committed to creating a safe, supportive, and inspiring environment. Here, you will not only gain knowledge but also confidence, friendships, and memories that last a lifetime.

Wherever your journey begins with us – welcome to **The Oxford London Experience!**

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Introduction

Programme Introduction

Accredited by the British Accreditation Council, the Oxford–London Summer Programme offers a unique opportunity for students to explore two of the UK's most prestigious universities. The programme is carefully designed to give students a taste of Oxford's tutorial system while exposing them to the academic environment of other top institutions, notably Imperial College London.

By combining London's urban energy and innovation with Oxford's historic academic tradition, students enjoy a holistic, immersive educational experience that inspires curiosity, fosters leadership skills, and broadens global perspectives.

Week One – London Students reside at Imperial College London's Prince's Gardens residence halls, in the heart of South Kensington. The residence is a short walk from the Science, Natural History, and Victoria & Albert Museums, as well as Knightsbridge. South Kensington and Gloucester Road Underground stations are within a 10-minute walk. During this week, students attend lectures by leading academics, participate in debate coaching and admissions guidance sessions, and explore London through guided cultural tours and campus experiences, including a specially organized walking tour.

Week Two – Oxford Students move to St Anne's College, University of Oxford, where they engage in Oxford-style tutorials, choosing one Major and one Minor subject. They also participate in debates at the Oxford Union, gaining firsthand experience of Oxford's historic academic culture. Accommodation includes bed linen, a study desk, chair, and wardrobe, with deans and staff available at all times to ensure a safe and supportive environment. Students also enjoy the unique opportunity to live on campus and use the same facilities once frequented by prominent Oxford and Imperial College alumni.

We look forward to welcoming you to this transformative programme!

Student Testimonials



"The Oxford Experience introduced me to a whole new way of learning. The tutorial method encouraged me to think critically and express my ideas confidently. The program inspired me to pursue studies in a field I'm passionate about, and I feel much more prepared for university."
— **Serein (Morocco)**

"My experience at the Summer Program has been great. I've enjoyed everything so far, I've learnt a lot about debating and my major and my minor subjects. I've been making friends from all over the world, learning about different cultures. My favourite thing so far is being very social with all the other students."
— **Frederique De Graaf (Netherlands)**



"The best part of the program were the friends that I made here and the social environment was great. I had the best time attending the tutorials. The math teacher was really good and I even learnt valuable tips to improve on my essay writing. Would definitely come again."
— **Mateus Souza (Brazil)**

"There are quite a few things I've enjoyed at this camp. One of the main things I enjoyed was the tutorial teaching methodology. It's very different from what I usually experience at school because at school there are a lot of people learning with you. I feel like the tutors were really passionate about their subjects which is why they teach it very well and make sure we understand what we know."
— **Richard Morris (Hong Kong)**



Our Vision

At The Oxford Institute, we envision a world where education transcends boundaries, empowering students from diverse backgrounds to engage in a global exchange of knowledge. Through our local and regional camps, we offer immersive learning experiences rooted in Oxford's values of excellence, curiosity, and intellectual exploration. Our goal is to inspire lifelong learning, nurture bold innovators, and cultivate compassionate leaders equipped to tackle complex global challenges.

Our Mission

We are dedicated to delivering a transformative global knowledge exchange through our immersive 'Oxford Experiences.' By hosting camps at Oxford University and regional centres worldwide, we provide enriching opportunities grounded in Oxford's tradition of excellence.

Our personalised tutorial system and holistic approach empower students to broaden their horizons, spark intellectual curiosity, and thrive in a world-class educational environment. Every student receives individual attention, fostering a global community where knowledge transcends age and borders.

Through partnerships with the Oxford Union, we offer public speaking training and admissions counselling, equipping students with skills that extend beyond academia. Our programs bridge the knowledge gap, bringing Oxford's scholarly excellence to students worldwide and fostering a dynamic exchange of ideas to shape future leaders.



Why Oxford and London?

Oxford University stands as an enduring symbol of academic excellence, consistently ranked among the world’s top universities. With a legacy spanning nearly a thousand years, it has produced countless influential leaders in business, politics, literature, and science. Walking the halls of Oxford is to follow in the footsteps of intellectual giants such as Stephen Hawking, Albert Einstein, J.R.R. Tolkien, Oscar Wilde, Lewis Carroll, Jeremy Bentham, John Locke, and 31 of the 58 British Prime Ministers.

Imperial College London is renowned as one of the world’s leading institutions for science, engineering, medicine, and business. Located in the vibrant heart of South Kensington, Imperial combines cutting-edge research with modern urban energy, offering students exposure to innovative learning, guest lectures from eminent scholars, and the dynamic life of a top global city.

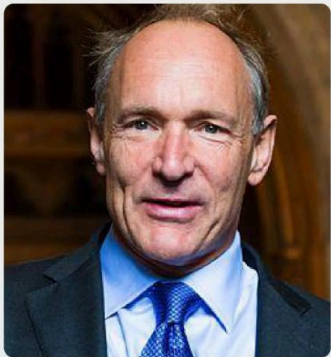
The Oxford–London Summer Programme gives students a unique opportunity to experience both historic academia and modern innovation. In Oxford, participants engage in tutorials, debates, and cultural explorations, immersing themselves in centuries of scholarly tradition. In London, they attend lectures at Imperial, explore the city’s museums and landmarks, and gain a taste of academic life at one of the UK’s most prestigious urban universities.

Together, Oxford and London provide a holistic and unparalleled educational experience—developing critical thinking, leadership skills, and global perspectives while inspiring curiosity and ambition. Students emerge enriched, confident, and ready to take the next steps in their academic and professional journeys.



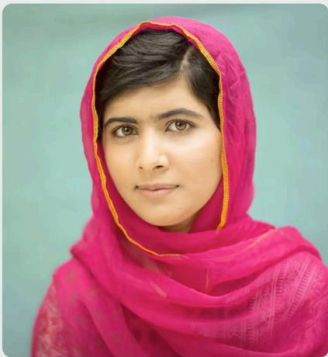
Notable Alumni

Oxford has nurtured many of the world’s most influential figures in business, politics, science, and literature. To live and study with the Oxford Institute is to walk in the footsteps of intellectual giants who have shaped our world.



Sir Tim Berners-Lee

Physics (1976) – Inventor of the World Wide Web.



Malala Yousafzai

Philosophy, Politics and Economics (2018) – Female education activist and 2014 Nobel Prize Laureate.



Stephen Hawking

Physics (1959) – World-renowned physicist and cosmologist.



Rajiv Gandhi

(Imperial, 1966)– Former Prime Minister of India



Sir Alexander Fleming

(Imperial, 1906)– Discovered penicillin, Nobel Prize winner.



Three Foundational Pillars

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LIVE

1. Full immersion at Imperial College London and St Anne's College, Oxford
2. Access to lecture theatres, dining halls, seminar rooms, and sports facilities
3. Residential support with trained staff in a multicultural environment

LEARN

1. Oxford tutorial method in small groups
2. Academic lectures at Imperial College London
3. Admissions guidance for Oxford, Cambridge, and Ivy League applications
4. Cultural visits and guided walking tours in both cities

LEAD

1. Debate coaching, public speaking, and leadership workshops
2. Collaborative group projects and team-building exercises
3. Development of confidence, communication, and global leadership skills

Accommodation & Campus Life

Two Historic Campuses

Students spend the first week at Imperial College London's Prince's Gardens residence halls, then move to St Anne's College, University of Oxford for the second week. This arrangement allows them to experience campus life at two of the UK's top universities—from the vibrant, bustling atmosphere of London to the quiet, serene alleys of historic Oxford.

Multicultural Environment

Students meet and form lasting friendships with peers from around the world, gaining an appreciation for cultural and academic diversity.

Travel Within the UK

All travel is organised by the Oxford Institute through private transportation companies. Coaches are hired for travel in and around Oxford to allow students to travel together and enjoy the journey.

Food & the “Harry Potter Dining Experience”:

Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included, served in historic dining halls at Oxford University in a Hogwarts-style ambience. Dinners are also arranged at top local restaurants. Dietary requirements such as Halal, Kosher, Vegetarian, Vegan, and Gluten-free are accommodated.

Airport Pick-up and Drop-Off

Residential deans assist with airport transfers. A helpdesk is set up at Heathrow on arrival and departure days.

Health & Safety

All activities are low-risk and thoroughly assessed. Staff are trained in first aid, fire safety, and available 24/7.

Security

Oxford University Security Services, along with residential deans, ensure student safety at all times. Premises are monitored with CCTV, access cards, and 24-hour security staff. A 24-hour parent hotline is available.



Academic & Extra-Curricular Activities

Academic Activities

The programme focuses on individual learning and tailored counselling, with courses designed to suit each student’s interests, competencies, and needs.

Oxford Teaching Method & Lectures at Imperial College

We follow Oxford’s renowned tutorial teaching method, where students are taught in small groups of up to 1–4 per tutor. Groups are formed based on interest, age, and subject choice, ensuring that each student’s academic requirements are fully met. Students also have the opportunity to interact individually with tutors and attend lectures from eminent scholars at both the University of Oxford and Imperial College London, providing a unique insight into the academic environments of top UK universities. During the first week, students attend guest lectures at Imperial College London, enriching their experience and broadening their academic exposure.

Range of Courses

Students choose two subjects from a list of 30 courses offered during the programme, covering Physical and Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, the Arts, and Humanities. If a student wishes to study a subject not currently included in the course outline, every effort will be made to accommodate it.

Study Material

We provide bespoke study materials, including audio-visual content and other multimedia resources, which are included in the programme fees.

Career Counselling and University Admissions

Expert career counsellors, alongside subject tutors, offer extensive guidance on career pathways and university admissions tailored to each student’s individual needs and aspirations.



Oxford University Tutors & Lecturers

All subjects are taught by tutors or lecturers associated with Oxford University, including senior professors, research fellows, and recipients of Rhodes, Marshall, and Gates scholarships.

Certificates & References

Tutors provide academic references to support university applications, which are highly regarded by universities. Students also receive a certificate upon completion and a transcript detailing grades achieved. All summer courses are accredited and approved by the British Accreditation Council.



Extra-Curricular Activities

We offer a wide range of co-curricular activities to ensure students have a fun, engaging, and memorable experience. While the programme focuses on academic growth, we also emphasise social interaction, cultural exploration, and personal development.

Punting

Students enjoy 'Punting,' a traditional Oxford activity where a flat-bottomed boat is propelled using a steel pole. Punting on the River Cherwell is a favourite among participants, offering a unique way to experience Oxford's scenic waterways.

Movie Night & Musical Evening

Students are treated to a movie screening and a musical evening, hosted either within university premises or at a nearby venue, providing opportunities to relax, socialise, and enjoy cultural entertainment.

Sports & Picnics

A variety of indoor and outdoor sports are organised, including football, cricket, table tennis, and ten-pin bowling. These activities are complemented by a picnic at University Parks, combining recreation with social bonding.

College and Museum Tours

Resident deans lead students on guided tours of Oxford's historic colleges and museums, such as Christ Church College (famous for Harry Potter scenes), and the Science, History, and Art Museums, offering a rich cultural and academic experience.

Oxford Style Debating & Spoken English

In partnership with the world-renowned Oxford Union—the oldest and most influential debating society—students enhance their communication, language, and public speaking skills. Participants can debate in the prestigious chamber, guided by notable alumni such as Charlie Macintosh, President during Hilary Term 2023.

Excursion Trips (London)

To explore the best of British culture, students take part in excursions around London, including guided museum tours, walks through Royal Parks, and visits to popular shopping and dining areas such as Oxford Street and Edgware Road. These excursions provide both educational insight and opportunities to socialise in a dynamic urban environment.

Application Process & Key Details

Dates: 20 July – 1 August 2026

Locations: Imperial College London & St Anne's College, University of Oxford

Age Group: 12–19+ years

Fee: £6,399 GBP

(Includes tuition, accommodation, meals, co-curricular activities, learning materials, debate coaching, admissions guidance, and cultural excursions; travel to/from the UK not included)

"This is the third year that we are coming to the Oxford Summer Program. Our eldest daughter first came into this program. Last year my son Mateo attended this program and this year Mateo and Maria, my youngest daughter attended the program. Each year, I see my children grow more independent, confident, and adaptable. The cultural exchange has been invaluable, and their study skills, particularly in language, have improved greatly."

— Mateo & Maria's Father, Mexico

How to Apply

1. Book a Consultation

If you are unsure about any aspect of the program or need guidance, you can **schedule a consultation with one of our admissions officers** by telephone or online.

2. Apply Online

When you are ready, **complete the application form** at www.oxfordsummerprogram.com. Submit your most recent academic transcripts or a teacher/academic reference to info@theoxfordinstitute.co.uk.

3. Admissions Decision

Admissions decisions are made by the Oxford Institute Admissions Committee **within 14 days**.

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“The Oxford Institute is one of the oldest summer programs, founded and managed by current and former academics from the University of Oxford.

Accredited by the British Accreditation Council, our Summer Program contracts with Oxford’s constituent colleges for facility use, though we operate independently from the University of Oxford. All academics, tutors, lecturers, deans, and staff at The Oxford Institute are either current or former members of the University of Oxford community, serving as students, research fellows, or faculty, bringing unparalleled expertise and insight to our program.”