University College WCR
Graduate Welcome Week 2017

Keep an eye on our Google Calendar (goo.gl/haezQ), Twitter account (@UnivWCR) or Facebook page (Univ WCR) for any updates. And don’t forget to join our Univ WCR 2017/8 Facebook group!

If you’ve just arrived and at a loss of what to do and want to meet some other grads, a good place to start is to just head to the Common Room (what’s often called just the MCR, or Middle Common Room, or the WCR, the Weir Common Room... Univ’s own special name for our Common Room).

Please check with your department/faculty for any events they are expecting you to attend. The timetable for the division of events, agreed between the university, departments and each college, is:

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Sunday 1 October

2.00pm **WCR meet and greet (Common Room)**
We will start a fun-packed week by meeting the new WCR graduates as well as the WCR committee.

4.00pm **Tour of Univ (Common Room)**
Interested in learning all about your new college? Join us for a delightful tour around Univ! We’ll show you where all the important stuff is (laundry room, library, study rooms, etc…) while delving into its rich history, setting off from Univ WCR.

8.00pm **WCR Sunday Social (Common Room)**
Come along to the first Sunday Social of the new academic year! Every Sunday after Formal Hall, WCR members gather in the Common Room for tea, nibbles and great conversation.

Monday 2 October

5.00pm **Sub Fusc shopping trip (Lodge/Shepherd and Woodward, High Street)**
Meet us at the Lodge to go shopping for gowns, mortar boards, etc (ie. the components of sub fusc) at Shepherd and Woodward on the High Street. This is just to make your sub fusc purchasing experience easy for you, so please feel free to purchase sub fusc at another time if that is best for you.

5.30pm **Tour of Oxford (Lodge)**
Meet us at the Lodge for a tour of Oxford. We will show you all those important land marks and all those hidden gems that otherwise you might only hear about after months!

7.00pm **Potluck Dinner (Common Room)**
Show off your culinary skill and join us for a Potluck Dinner in the MCR! Bring a dish to pass around while you taste the delicacies prepared by your fellow graduates. The best dish wins a prize, so make sure you pull off all your best culinary moves (or bring a ready-made dish to share)!
Tuesday 3 October
If you have any departmental events scheduled today, these must take priority.

4.00pm Freshers football kickabout *(Lodge/University Parks)*
Come join us for a casual game of football at the University Parks (often shortened to ‘Uni Parks’). Expect a fairly low standard - just bring yourself and some trainers/boots to play in. If you’d rather meet us there – meet us at the Parks Road entrance at 4:15pm.

7.30pm Scavenger Hunt *(Lodge)*
Join us for a night on the town collecting as many points as possible in our amazing Scavenger Hunt. The winning team will be awarded an equally amazing prize. We’ll finish the evening at the King’s Arms.

Wednesday 4 October

9.45am Univ Freshers’ Fair *(Hall)*
Come and have a look at Univ’s clubs and societies!

1.30pm Sexual Consent Workshop *(Common Room)*
Come along to Univ WCR to talk about sexual consent. The WCR Committee strongly recommend that you attend what will be an interesting, informative and useful discussion.

3.30pm An Introduction to Music @Univ *(Chapel)*
Come along to see what there is on offer and how you can get involved in Music at Univ.

4.00pm Chapel Choir Workshop *(Chapel)*

7.30pm Dean of Graduates Induction, with Drinks Reception *(Hall)*
Introductions by the Dean of Graduates, the Senior Tutor, the Dean, the Domestic Bursar, the Chaplain and the Welfare Officers. Come along and hear about their roles and chat over wine and nibbles.

**Attendance is mandatory**
9.00pm  **Pub Quiz (Bar)**
Join us for our annual WCR Pub Quiz! There are treats for the winning team and the team with the best name! Word to the wise: the Univ and Oxford tours might help you out here!

**Thursday 5 October**

10.00am  **Iffley Gym Induction (Lodge/Iffley Gym)**
For those interested, we’ll take a walk to the University gym facility, where students can sign up for the duration of study (free, of course!) by partaking in a short induction around the gym.

11.00am  **OUSU Freshers’ Fair (Examination Schools)**
A fair of all the University’s clubs and societies. There are millions of them (well, almost). Take your pick! You will need a special wristband to enter the fair, so keep an eye on your pigeon hole before the big day.

6.45pm  **Altschul Pre-Dinner Drinks (Various/Alington Room)**
Your subject tutor may be in touch to arrange drinks before the Altschul Dinner. These drinks might be held in the Alington Room, or they might be arranged at your subject tutor’s office. Keep an eye on your email inbox!

7.15pm  **Altschul Dinner (Hall)**
This is the formal dinner at which all new graduates are officially welcomed to the College. Dress code: formalwear (smart dress/jacket and tie/whatever you like so long as it’s smart!). Please note that you do not need to wear sub fusc.

**Attendance is mandatory**

9.00pm  **Grad Bar Night (Bar)**
Join us for our first weekly Grad Bar Night. Every week the first 10 drinks are free at 9pm so head here once dinner is over. There’s also pool, darts and a pub quiz machine too!
Friday 6 October

10.00am  **Auditions for the Choir**  (*Chapel*)

2.15pm  **Library Induction**
Come along for a chat with Univ Library personnel. All graduates are *expected* to attend.
- **All humanities graduates**: meet at the Main Library at 2.15pm.
- **All other graduates**: meet at the Main Library at 2.45pm.

3.30pm  **Welfare Induction**  (*10 Merton Street, Lecture Theatre*)
Meet our Welfare reps and learn about the range of support available to you.

4.00pm  **Doctors’ Induction**  (*10 Merton Street, Lecture Theatre*)
Come and meet the doctors of 19 Beaumont Street, the surgery affiliated with Univ. An induction for new grads will take place at 4pm, followed by a drop-in session at 4.30pm. The Doctors will also be offering Meningitis and Flu vaccinations to those students who may need both/either from 4.30pm.

**Attendance is strongly recommended. This will be an opportunity to learn about using the National Health Service (NHS) and the process of seeing a General Practitioner (GP) here in the UK**

9.00pm  **Childhood Dream Bop**  (*Common Room*)
The event of the week! Our first graduate bop (this is what we call a college party in Oxford) kicks off in the Common Room at 9pm. The theme is your childhood dream...ie. when you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

Saturday 7 October

11.45am  **Rowing Taster Session with UCBC**  (*Lodge*)
You can’t study at Oxford without having a go at rowing! Come and see our amazing boathouse, meet the members of the biggest society in college, and have a go! All welcome, and novices strongly encouraged. BBQ and boats provided. Groups will depart from the Lodge at 11.45am, 12.45pm, and 1.45pm. If you have any questions please contact either Women’s captain Lara Drew  [lara.drew@univ.ox.ac.uk](mailto:lara.drew@univ.ox.ac.uk)  or men’s captain Angus Menzies  [ucbc.menscaptain@univ.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ucbc.menscaptain@univ.ox.ac.uk).
2.30pm  **Walk to Iffley Village (Lodge)**
Having a lazy Saturday after the bop? We hear you. Join us for a gorgeous walk along the river Isis to the village of Iffley. A beautiful medieval church, a lock, and scenic houses – Iffley has everything. We’ll meet up at the Lodge and walk from there.

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**Sunday 8 October**

1.00pm  **WCR Sports, Games and Picnic Day (Lodge/Univ Sports Ground)**
Come join us for an afternoon of sport and games (or just chilling out... physical exercise will certainly not be compulsory!) to see out the end of Welcome week, together with some picnic snacks and barbecue food. We’ll meet at the Lodge and head down to Univ’s Sports Ground, located down Abingdon Road, for rounders, sack races, egg and spoon races and croquet (weather permitting!). There will also be a chance to come and have a chat with some of the representatives from Univ’s many sports teams. Meet at the lodge at 1 – or join us at Univ Sports ground at 1:30!

3.30pm  **Chapel Choir practice (Chapel)** followed by tea and cake.

5.45pm  **Freshers Evensong (Chapel)** followed by pre-dinner drinks

7.15pm  **First Formal Hall (Hall)**
To mark the official start of term, join the rest of the graduates for Formal Hall on Sunday (the evening when grads traditionally gather for formal). Dress code: formalwear (smart dress/jacket and tie/whatever you like so long as it’s smart!). Please note you do not need to wear sub fusc.
Please sign-up early (online: [https://meals.univ.ox.ac.uk/](https://meals.univ.ox.ac.uk/)), as spots will fill up quickly!

9.00pm  **WCR Sunday Social (Common Room)**
As every Sunday during term time, join us for tea, coffee and nibbles after Formal Hall. We’ll then head to the King’s Arms afterward for a pint, or two.