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WCR President

Dear new Univ graduate members,

It is my absolute pleasure to welcome you to University College, often called Univ, and to its Weir Common Room (WCR, aka MCR), which comprises of all the graduate students at Univ. Our aim is to be a community for the graduates of Univ to feel at home in, and to provide a social setting where you can enjoy your time in Oxford! The Univ graduate community is a proudly international, open and diverse group, and the returning members are looking forward to welcoming you to the fold. The WCR is run and organized by the WCR committee; you can learn more about the various committee members, their roles, and various other aspects of graduate life on the “The Weir Common Room” sub-section in the “Live@Univ” section of the Univ website (<https://www.univ.ox.ac.uk/live-at-univ/the-weir-common-room/>).

In the spirit of welcoming you to Univ, we will be running a packed program during Welcome Week (aka Freshers’ week), which runs from Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of October. We really encourage all of you to attend as many events as you can during this week, as it is a great opportunity to meet lots of other new and returning Univ graduates and settle into college and Oxford. For those of you arriving earlier, we will also have lower-key events running in the week before welcome week so that you can start meeting people and settling into Oxford when you arrive. There are timetables of both weeks in your welcome packs. These events are run by WCR committee members, so you will have the chance to meet the different WCR officers and ask any Univ and Oxford related questions you may have.

For the most up-to-date information on our activities, please join the University College WCR group on Facebook (Univ WCR 2023/24) and the WhatsApp group (please find the QR code to join below), and please do not forget to regularly check your emails (and please read the emails I send, they all contain important and relevant information for you). More general information on the WCR, Univ and Oxford may also be found on the “Learn@Univ” tab on the Univ website, and the website also has a dedicated space for “New Student” information and a series of useful FAQs which I recommend using as a first port of call.

Finally, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me ([naroa.ibarraaizpurua@univ.ox.ac.uk](mailto:naroa.ibarraaizpurua@univ.ox.ac.uk)) or the rest of the WCR committee members by email. The entire WCR Committee and I are more than happy to help you in any way we can, and even if we may not have all the answers to your questions and issues, we can point you towards the person who will. We are dedicated to making your start in Oxford as smooth as possible, and the rest of your stay in Univ an unforgettable and great experience.

I look forward to meeting you very soon!

Warmest regards,

Narora

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WhatsApp group

