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Council of the University

Oxford University Alumni Board (*corrigendum*)

Since the publication of the proposed changes to regulations for the Oxford University Alumni Board ([Gazette 6 November 2025, p123–4](#)) it has been observed that there was an error in one of the proposed new regulations and it should be amended as follows:

‘11.8. The Forum will report to the Director of Alumni Engagement and Development ~~and Alumni Engagement.~~’

Congregation 10 November

Degree by Resolution

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Council of the University

Register of Congregation

The Vice-Chancellor reports that the following names have been added to the Register of Congregation:

Beth Albert, Nuffield Department of Women’s & Reproductive Health

Sebastian Clement James Bacon, Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences

Nicholas William Clanchy, Faculty of Philosophy

Dale Edward Dorsey, Faculty of Philosophy

Catherine Everett, Nuffield Department of Women’s & Reproductive Health

Gemma Hancock, Nuffield Department of Women’s & Reproductive Health

Neva Kandzija Howells, Nuffield Department of Women’s & Reproductive Health

Lucy Kingham, Nuffield Department of Women’s & Reproductive Health

Nicola June Lister, IT Services

Raphaël Millière, Faculty of Philosophy

Milad Nazarzadeh, Nuffield Department of Women’s & Reproductive Health

David John Owens, Corpus Christi

Gillian Catriona Ramchand, Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics

Divisional and Faculty Boards

For changes to regulations for examinations see [‘Changes to Examination Regulations’](#) below.

Congregation

Congregation 17 November

Degree by Resolution

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Congregation 18 November

Voting on Resolution approving the conferment of Degree by Diploma

The meeting of Congregation is cancelled. The sole business comprises questions to which no opposition has been notified and in respect of which no request for adjournment has been received, and the Vice-Chancellor

will accordingly declare the resolution carried without a meeting under the provisions of Sect 7 (1) of Statute VI.

(For explanatory note and text of resolution see [Gazette No 5471, 30 October 2025, p111.](#))

Congregation 27 November

Elections

CONTESTED ELECTION

- Board of the Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics

Details are in [‘Elections’](#) section below.

Congregation 2 December

(1) Voting on changes to the Conduct of Ceremonies in Congregation, and certain other Ceremonies

Explanatory Note

At the meeting held on 24 February 2025, the General Purposes Committee agreed to some changes to the Latin used within ceremonies. These proposals were in turn agreed by Council and Congregation (including some amendments agreed at a meeting of Congregation on 29 April 2025) and they took effect on 1 October. Subsequently, a small number of remaining discrepancies in approach from the approved changes have been identified. The proposed changes have been identified by the University’s Latinists and are now proposed for incorporation into the regulations.

Text of Regulations

In [Congregation Regulations 3 of 2002](#), concerning the Conduct of Ceremonies in Congregation, and certain other Ceremonies, amend as follows (new text underlined, deleted text struck through):

‘Incorporation

...

3.26. (1) For a graduate above the Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Master of Engineering or Master of Natural Sciences the form of supplicating shall be: “*Supplicat A. B. e Collegio (or ex Aula or e Societate) C., Magister in Artibus (or Baccalaureus or Doctor in S. Theologia or Doctor in Litteris or Doctor in Scientia, or Baccalaureus or Doctor in Jure or Baccalaureus or Doctor in Medicina or Magister in Chirurgia, or Doctor in Philosophia) in Academia Cantabrigiensi (or Dubliniensi) creatus hic adstans, cui licentia incorporandi per Concilium data est, ut bona vestra cum venia admittatur ad eundem gradum statum dignitatem et privilegia apud Oxonienses, ~~quibus ornatus est~~ quae habet apud suos Cantabrigienses (or Dublinienses).”*

(2) For a Bachelor of Arts or Master of Engineering or Master of Natural Sciences the form shall be: “*Supplicat A. B. e Collegio (or ex Aula or e Societate) C.,*

Baccalaureus in Artibus (or Magister in Ingeniaria or in Scientiis Naturalibus) in Academia Cantabrigiensi (or Dubliniensi) creatus hic adstans, cui licentia incorporandi per Concilium data est, ut bona vestra cum venia admittatur ad eundem gradum statum et dignitatem apud Oxonienses, quibus ornatus est quae habet apud suos Cantabrigienses (or Dublinienses); necnon ut [duodecim] terminos in eadem Academia completos hic secundum rationem Oxoniensem sibi reputatos habeat.”

...

(2) Voting on Resolutions approving the conferment of Honorary Degrees

(i) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Civil Law, *honoris causa*, upon **Lady Elish Angiolini**, DBE, lawyer, Lady of the Order of the Thistle, Lord Clerk Register, Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, former Lord Advocate of Scotland, former Principal of St Hugh’s, be approved.

(ii) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Civil Law, *honoris causa*, upon **John Kerry**, Honorary KCMG, attorney, politician, diplomat, and former naval officer, former Senator and presidential candidate, former Secretary of State and US Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, be approved.

(iii) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Civil Law, *honoris causa*, upon **Dinah Rose**, KC, President of Magdalen, be approved.

(iv) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Civil Law, *honoris causa*, upon **Professor Irene Tracey**, CBE, FRS, FMedSci, Vice-Chancellor of the University, be approved.

(v) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*, upon **Sir John Curtice**, Professor of Politics at the University of Strathclyde, Senior Fellow at the National Centre for Social Research, former President of the British Polling Council, Fellow of the British Academy, the Royal Society of Edinburgh, and the Royal Society of Arts, Honorary Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society and the Market Research Society, be approved.

(vi) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*, upon **Christina Lamb**, OBE, journalist and author, chief foreign correspondent of *The Sunday Times*, 7-time recipient of Foreign Correspondent of the Year, as well as the European Prix Bayeux-Calvados for war correspondents and Lifetime Achievement Awards from the Society of Editors and Women in Journalism, honorary fellow of University College, be approved.

4.2. The forms of supplication under regulation 3.11 in Part 3 of these regulations shall be as follows.

(1) Degrees in person

Supplicant venerabili Congregationi Doctorum et Magistrorum regentium hi Studiosi (~~or hae Studiosae~~) qui compleverunt omnia quae per statuta requiruntur (nisi quatenus cum eis dispensatum fuerit); ut haec sufficient, quo admittantur ad gradum enumeratum.’

(vii) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Letters, *honoris causa*, upon **Dr Dominic Sandbrook**, historian, writer and broadcaster, co-host of ‘The Rest is History’, former Visiting Professor at King’s College London, Fellow of the Royal Historical Society, be approved.

(viii) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, upon **Professor Jonathan Haidt**, Thomas Cooley Professor of Ethical Leadership at the New York University Stern School of Business, New York Times bestselling author, member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, co-founder of Ethical Systems and the Heterodox Academy, be approved.

(ix) That the conferment of the Degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, upon **Isabella Tree**, author, writer and conservationist, recipient of a CIEEM Medal, the Royal Geographical Society’s Ness Award and co-recipient of the Zoological Society of London’s Silver Medal, be approved.

By longstanding tradition, the new Chancellor of the University is invited to propose candidates for honorary degrees at a special ceremony to mark the start of their Chancellorship (including an honorary DCL for the current Vice-Chancellor and for the current head of the Chancellor’s college).

If the resolutions are approved, the degrees, proposed by the Chancellor to mark the commencement of his period of office, will be conferred at a special ceremony on Tuesday, 24 February 2026, or at a future Encaenia.

Meeting information

Members of Congregation are reminded that any 2 members may, not later than **noon on 24 November**, give notice in writing to the Registrar that they wish to oppose or amend the changes to Congregation regulations or resolutions above (see the note on the conduct of business in Congregation below). If no such notice has been given, and unless Council has declared otherwise or the meeting has been adjourned the resolution shall be declared carried, and the meeting may be cancelled.

Note on procedures in Congregation

Business in Congregation is conducted in accordance with Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002 (<https://governance.admin.ox.ac.uk/legislation/congregation-regulations-2-of-2002>).

A printout of these regulations, or of any statute or other regulations, is available from the Council Secretariat on request. A member of Congregation seeking advice on questions relating to its procedures, other

than elections, should contact Louise Hasler, Council Secretariat, University Offices, Wellington Square (email: congregation.meeting@admin.ox.ac.uk); questions relating to elections should be directed to the Elections Officer, Ms S L S Mulvihill (email: elections.office@admin.ox.ac.uk).

Notices

Call for submissions

Faculty of Music

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON OPERA,
PERFORMANCE AND CULTURE

The International Conference on Opera, Performance and Culture will take place 12–13 December in the Schwarzman Centre for the Humanities. We welcome contributions from musicology, performance studies, theatre studies, cultural studies and related fields. Conveners: Professor Suzanne Aspden and Bette Zhaoyi Yan. Please email submissions (title, 250-word abstract, and short biography) to genderopera@outlook.com.
Deadline for submissions: **15 November**.

Theme: ‘Making gender in opera: east meets west’

Appointments

Humanities

REAPPOINTMENTS

Daniel Altshuler; Professor of Semantics and Pragmatics, Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics, in association with Jesus and Brasenose, with effect from 29 October 2025 to retirement

Emma Bond; Professor of Italian and Comparative Studies, Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages, in association with St Hugh’s, from 9 October 2025 until retirement

Rajendra Chitnis; Associate Professor of Czech, Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages, in association with University College, with effect from 9 October 2025 to retirement

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

APPOINTMENTS

Pierre-Alexis Mouthuy, DPhil Oxf; Associate Professor of Materials, Department of Materials, and fellow of Trinity, from 1 January 2026 until 31 December 2030

Thomas Okell, DPhil Oxf; Associate Professor of Biomedical Engineering (Technologies for Mental Health and Cognition), Department of Engineering Science, and fellow of St Catherine's, from 1 November 2025 to 31 October 2030

Social Sciences

DEPARTMENTAL HEADSHIPS

Director of the Oxford Internet Institute

Dr Scott A Hale, Associate Professor and Senior Research Fellow; from 1 January 2026

REAPPOINTMENTS

James Bryson; Associate Professor of Mineralogy/Petrology, Department of Earth Sciences, and fellow of University College, from 31 October 2025 until retirement

Visiting Professorships

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

APPOINTMENTS

Tim Claridge, DPhil Oxf, Associate Director of NMR Analytics (Recursion); Visiting Professor in Chemistry for a further period of 3 years from 29 November 2025 to 28 November 2028

Akane Kawamura, DPhil Oxf, Chair and Professor of Chemical Biology, Newcastle; Visiting Professor in Chemistry for a further period of 3 years from 25 October 2025 to 24 October 2028

Musical and other Events

St John's

The following performances will take place at 7.30pm in the Garden Quad Auditorium, unless otherwise noted. Tickets and more information: www.sjc.ox.ac.uk/discover/events.

7 Dec: **Vadym Kholodenko**, International Piano Series (Beethoven, Lyatoshinsky, Liszt)

7pm, 22 Jan: **Afel Bocoum**, The World's Music at Oxford (Songhai desert blues)

25 Jan: **Angela Hewitt**, International Piano Series (Bach, from Weimar to Leipzig)

27 Feb: **Junyan Chen**, International Piano Series (Couperin and Ravel)

7 May: **Mishka Rusdie Momen**, International Piano Series (Beethoven's piano sonatas)

7pm, 10 May: **She'koyokh**, The World's Music at Oxford, (7-piece klezmer and Balkan ensemble)

Lectures

Humanities

Department of History of Art

The following lectures will take place at 5pm on Wednesdays in the Oakeshott Room. Free and open to all. Convener: Professor Geoffrey Batchen

Kris Kersy, UCLA

19 Nov: 'The natural history of style: specimens, albums, and the history of art in Early Modern Japan'

Geoffrey Batchen

26 Nov: 'Everywhen: photography and indigeneity'

Social Sciences

Faculty of Law

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND MODERN SLAVERY, LOOKING BACK, LOOKING AHEAD

An assessment of 25 years under the UN trafficking Palermo Protocol

The Oxford Human Rights Hub, the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, the Hillary Rodham Clinton Oral History Project and the Human Trafficking Legal Center will host a convening 1–5pm on 21 November in the Pichette Auditorium, Pembroke. Speaker: Professor Sandra Fredman, plus panels. More information and to register: www.law.ox.ac.uk/content/event/human-trafficking-and-modern-slavery-looking-back-looking-ahead-assessment-25-years.

Subjects: 'Looking backwards' and 'Current developments'

Examinations and Boards

Examinations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

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Examinations for the Degree of Master of Science

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Changes to Examination Regulations

For the complete text of each regulation listed below and a listing of all changes to regulations for this year to date, please see <https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/examination-regulations-0>.

Education Committee

FIRST AND SECOND PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS, GENERAL REGULATIONS

- (a) major changes to regulations for Honour Mods in Classics
- (b) major changes to regulations for Prelims in Classics and English
- (c) introduction of new regulations for Prelims in Classics and Modern Languages
- (d) closure of regulations for Prelims in Classics
- (e) reorganisation of regulations subsequent to renaming of Faculty of Oriental Studies as Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES (CONTINUING EDUCATION), GENERAL REGULATIONS

transfer of provisions from closed General Regulations for Foundation Certificates

Humanities Board

PHILOSOPHY, BPHIL

- (a) course restructure
- (b) reduce number of assessed essays
- (c) align language around MSt exit award to University policy

Elections

Contested election 27 November

The nomination period for the election below closed at 4pm on 30 October. The election on 27 November will be held electronically. An email with further instructions will be sent to eligible voters on Wednesday,

12 November, using the email addresses provided in the electronic register of Congregation. The voting period will close at **4pm on 27 November**. More information: <https://governance.admin.ox.ac.uk/elections>.

Board of the Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics

- 1 person elected by and from among the members of the Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics, to serve from the start of HT 2026 until the start of MT 2026 [*vice* Dr S Paoli]

The following nominations have been received:

Dr Chiara Cappellaro, MPhil DPhil Oxf, Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics

Nominated by:

Dr Michele Bianconi, Wolfson
Professor Martin Maiden, Trinity
Professor Sandra Paoli, Balliol
Professor Elinor Payne, St Hilda's
Professor Sam Wolfe, St Catherine's

Professor Gillian C Ramchand, BSc MIT, MA PhD
Stanford, Magdalen, Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics

Nominated by:

Professor Daniel Altshuler, Jesus
Dr Kerstin Hoge, St Hilda's
Professor Matt Husband, St Hugh's
Professor Colin Phillips, Somerville

Candidate statement:

As a senior academic with 30 years of institutional experience at research universities (10 years in Oxford and 20 years at the UiT The Arctic University of Norway), and as a senior post holder in syntax and semantics, I believe I have the skills (and responsibility) to contribute to the Faculty of Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics at this level. I care deeply about teaching at the both the undergraduate and graduate level, and I also care about protecting and nurturing a thriving research environment in Linguistics at the highest level of international excellence.

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Miscellaneous

Conference and meeting venue. Looking for an excellent off-site conference or meeting venue? The modern award-winning Beckley Village Hall may be your answer, accommodating up to 120 people. Plenty of parking, excellent audio-visual facilities, fully equipped kitchen, and great views over countryside. Close to M40 and Headington. See <http://beckleyvillagehall.org> for a full description and the location. Abingdon Arms pub close by!

Research participants sought

Are you aged 18–36 and based in Oxford? Take part in a 4-week study on how video gaming and social media affect wellbeing. The study can be done from home, and participants can earn up to £96. Quick screening survey: <https://bit.ly/433co92>.

Volunteers needed for optimising home blood pressure monitoring to identify people at risk of nocturnal hypertension [R96990/RE001]. We are looking for people aged 60 years and over who live in Oxfordshire to take part in a home blood pressure monitoring study. You would need to check your blood pressure at home for 2 weeks with the help of a smartphone app. For more information: www.phc.ox.ac.uk/research/groups-and-centres/DLTC/studies/bp-tempo, bptempo@phc.ox.ac.uk or 01865 617934.

Would you be interested in a study to help understand how the brain works? Healthy male volunteers aged 30–50 needed for a research study at the University of Oxford! Volunteers will be compensated £235–£355 for their time. Find out more: https://psychiatryoxford.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_56130ThD5Lud3VA.

Groups and societies

Oxford University Newcomers' Club welcomes the partners of graduate students, of academics and researchers, and of University staff, as well as others with a connection to the collegiate University such as visiting scholars. Our Membership Guidelines are on our website: www.newcomers.ox.ac.uk. We are run by volunteers and supported by the University. We provide information about the local community and many opportunities to share experiences as well as to take part in organised events and activities in and around Oxford. We meet at the University Club (11 Mansfield Rd) every Wednesday morning 10.30am–noon during 0th to 9th week, and informally during the vacations.

261 Fearless Club UK is a women's running community welcoming all abilities. Banbury and Bicester clubs host weekly hour-long Meet Runs led by certified coaches, focusing on running for fun, fitness and friendship – not speed or competition. Whether you are taking your first steps or already enjoy running, you'll find encouragement, laughter and support. First Meet Run free; sessions £3 each or £45 annually (subsidised places available). More information: www.261fearless.org/uk/clubs/261-club-united-kingdom.

Antiques wanted and for sale

Greenway Antiques of Witney are a well-established family business. We hand-pick items suitable for the town house or country cottage. We seek to purchase quality antiques such as furniture, fire guards, grates and fireplace-related items. We also buy silver, pictures, china, objets d'art and garden statuary. Please telephone us for a discreet service on 01993 705026 or 07831585014 or email contact@greenwayantiques.co.uk.

Services offered

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TGM Cars: airport transfer/chauffeur service. If you are looking for a reliable and experienced transfer service I would be happy to discuss your needs. Last year I handled 328 airport transfers successfully and I have over 20 years' experience. Account customers welcome and all major credit cards accepted. Comfortable and reliable Heathrow service. Contact Tim Middleton. Tel: 07751 808763 or email: timothy.middleton2@btopenworld.com.

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Houses to let

Beautiful, light-filled home in picturesque Iffley village; 10-min cycle to Magdalen Bridge. Available 25 Feb–30 Mar or part thereof. 3 double bedrooms, 2 baths, fitted 2-desk study, off-street parking, bus stop nearby. Fenced garden, pets welcome. Spacious, well-equipped kitchen; large lounge with wood-burning stove. Linen, towels and weekly cleaner provided. Wi-Fi and all other utility bills included. Price: £1,100 pw (min 2 weeks). Email: patti@culturalchemistry.co.uk.

Notifications of Prizes, Grants and Funding

Please refer to the website, or contact the email address shown, for further details of the awards below.

Students of the University should refer to the Student Funding website for advice on fees and funding at www.ox.ac.uk/students/fees-funding.

University of Oxford: international opportunities

The University has a number of international opportunities available for students to enhance their studies during or outside of term time, or after finishing their Oxford degree. Please see www.ox.ac.uk/students/fees-funding/international/scholarships-exchanges for full details of the following opportunities with upcoming deadlines, including eligibility criteria and how to apply:

- [Wiener–Anspach Doctoral Fellowship in Belgium](#)
- [Charterhouse European Bursary](#)
- [Scatcherd European Scholarship](#)
- [German Scholarships](#)
- [Australian National University \(ANU\) Exchange](#)

