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Council and Main Committees

Congregation **noon, 7 October**

(1) Oration by the Vice-Chancellor

The Vice-Chancellor addressed the House.

The text of the Oration will be published as a supplement to *Gazette* No 5469, 16 October 2025.

(2) Admission of Pro-Vice-Chancellors

The following persons were nominated by the Vice-Chancellor to be her deputies for the year 2025–26 and admitted to office:

Alexander Betts, Fellow of Brasenose
Lady Sue Black, President of St John's
Judith Buchanan, Master of St Peter's
Sarah Foot, Dean of Christ Church
Patrick Grant, Fellow of St Catherine's
Sir Michael Jacobs, Warden of Keble
Heidi Johansen-Berg, Fellow of St Edmund Hall
Freya Johnston, Fellow of St Anne's
Jonathan Michie, President of Kellogg
Helen Moore, President of Corpus Christi
Jennifer Payne, Warden of Merton
Sir Nigel Shadbolt, Principal of Jesus
Sir Aziz Sheikh, Head of Nuffield Department of
 Primary Care Health Sciences
Lord Lionel Tarassenko, President of Reuben
Anne Trefethen, Fellow of St Cross

(3) Admission of Clerks of the Market

Jeffrey Hackney, Emeritus Fellow of St Edmund Hall and Wadham, nominated by the Chancellor, and **The Revd Dr Colin Thompson**, Fellow of St Catherine's, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, were admitted to office as Clerks of the Market for the year 2025–26.

Council of the University

Register of Congregation

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

Ozan Aksoy, Nuffield
Ana Carr, Saïd Business School
Adam Dmytriw, Nuffield Department of Surgical Sciences
Xiao Qin, Radcliffe Department of Medicine
Pramila Rijal, Radcliffe Department of Medicine
Ana Santos, Radcliffe Department of Medicine

Divisional and Faculty Boards

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

Congregation

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Degree by Resolution

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Congregation 14 October

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 legislative proposals, changes to regulations and resolutions carried without a meeting under the provisions of Sect 7 (1) of Statute VI.

(1) Voting on a Legislative Proposal: Statute VII: Divisions, Faculties, Sub-faculties, Departments, and the Department for Continuing Education

For full text of legislative proposal see [Gazette No 5466, 25 September 2025, p6.](#)

(2) Voting on a Legislative Proposal: Statute XIV: Employment of Academic and Support Staff by the University

For full text of legislative proposal see [Gazette No 5466, 25 September 2025, p6.](#)

(3) Voting on Changes to Congregation Regulations 3 of 2002: Religious Services and Sermons

For full text of legislative proposal see [Gazette No 5466, 25 September 2025, p7.](#)

(4) Voting on a Resolution authorising the allocation of space in Eagle House to the Department of Engineering Science

For full text of resolution see [Gazette No 5466, 25 September 2025, p7.](#)

(5) Voting on a Resolution authorising the allocation of space in the St Cross Building to the Faculty of Law

For full text of resolution see [Gazette No 5466, 25 September 2025, p8.](#)

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Elections

CONGREGATION ELECTIONS

- Audit and Scrutiny Committee

DIVISIONAL BOARDS

- Social Sciences Board

FACULTY BOARDS

- Classics
- History
- Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics
- Music

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

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

Consultative Notices

Call for nominations for Honorary Degrees and for Degrees by Diploma

The Committee on Honorary Degrees is seeking honorary degree nominations. Nominations can be made by current members of staff and students via the online form: <https://forms.office.com/e/u1kmkyKYmR>.

When considering possible honorands, the Honorary Degrees Committee will focus on individuals:

- of high academic distinction in the fields of research and scholarship of specific interest to the University of Oxford;
- distinguished in the visual, literary, musical, and performing arts or in sports;
- distinguished in business and industry;
- who have played a distinguished role in public life, for example in contributing to progress and change in society;
- who have made a significant contribution to the activities of the University of Oxford—such individuals would normally also fall into one of the categories above.

Within those categories, the Honorary Degrees Committee will aim to produce a balanced list, which takes account of the global dimension that characterises this University's activities.

When a degree is conferred upon a royal personage or upon the head of a foreign state it will be conferred by diploma.

The Honorary Degrees Committee has adopted a target that half of the final list of names proposed for the conferment of honorary degrees be women and/ or from minoritised groups. Nominators are therefore encouraged to propose individuals of conspicuous distinction with particular reference to diversity.

Honorary degrees will not be conferred on anyone who holds, or who has retired from, a resident teaching, research or administrative post within the University or in any college or other society, except in exceptional circumstances such as distinguished service outside the terms of his or her paid service.

While informal soundings within the University will often be desirable, every effort should be made to ensure that publicity is not at any stage given to any specific proposal for the conferral of an honorary degree. All nominations will be considered in strict confidence by the committee.

Further information is available at <https://governance.web.ox.ac.uk/committee-on-honorary-degrees>. Lists of previous recipients for the last 10 years are available at www.ox.ac.uk/news-and-events/The-University-Year/Encaenia.

Nominations received by the first deadline (12 December 2025) will be shared with the relevant divisional board and its views will be passed on to the committee. Nominations received by the second deadline (23 February 2026) will be shared with the committee but without the benefit of divisional input.

Nominations received after the second deadline will need to be considered in the next cycle. Nominations are kept under consideration by the committee for 3 years (the year of nomination, plus 2 years) so only need to be resubmitted if there has been a significant change in the case for the nomination.

General Notices

University Calendar 2025–26

ONLINE EDITION

The Michaelmas term 2025 edition of the *University Calendar* has been published online at <https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/university-calendar> (single sign-on required).

The next update will be published online at the start of Hilary term.

PRINT EDITION

The print edition of the 2025–26 *University Calendar* is currently in production and will be sent out to those who ordered it by the end of October at the latest.

Appointments

Humanities

LINCOLN PROFESSORSHIP OF CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY AND ART

Athéna Tsingarida, BA MPhil UL Brussels, DPhil Oxf, Professor (Ordinarius) in Ancient Greek Art and Archaeology, Université Libre de Bruxelles, has been appointed to the Lincoln Professorship of Classical Archaeology and Art in the Faculty of Classics with effect from 1 October 2026. Professor Tsingarida will be a fellow of Lincoln.

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

PROFESSORSHIP OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

Deborah Greaves, BEng Brist, DPhil Oxf, Professor of Ocean Engineering, University of Plymouth, has been appointed to the Professorship of Civil Engineering in the Department of Engineering Science with effect from 2 February 2026. Professor Greaves will be a fellow of Brasenose.

Medical Sciences

WA HANDLEY PROFESSORSHIP OF PSYCHIATRY

Armin Raznahan, MB BS PhD KCL, Chief of the Section on Developmental Neurogenomics at the National Institute of Mental Health, USA, has been appointed to the WA Handley Professorship of Psychiatry in the Department of Psychiatry with effect from 1 September 2026. Professor Raznahan will be a fellow of Merton.

Graduate Awards and Prizes

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Electoral Boards

Composition of an Electoral Board

The composition of the electoral board to the post below, proceedings to fill which are currently in progress, is as follows (appointing person/body given in brackets):

LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST PROFESSORSHIP OF PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY

Dr Sir Mike Jacobs (Vice-Chancellor)
Professor Jonathan Michie (*ex officio*)
Professor Kokila Lakhoo (Kellogg)
Professor Darren Hargrave (Council)
Professor Josef Vormoor (Council)
Professor Helen McShane (Medical Sciences Board)
Professor Georg Holländer (Medical Sciences Board)
Professor Irene Roberts (Medical Sciences Board)
Professor Sarah Blagden (Medical Sciences Board)

Musical and other Events

Merton

ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

Recitals will take place at 1.15pm every Thursday during term time in the chapel.

16 Oct: **Anthony Gritten**, D Roth, Bach and M Martin

23 Oct: **Damin Spritzer**, Tournemire, Hampton and Girod

30 Oct: **Daniel Hyde**, de Grigny, Mozart and J Alain

6 Nov: **James Thomas**, Bach, Mendelssohn and Gigout

13 Nov: **George Balfour**, Boulanger, Smyth and F Pott

20 Nov: **Rakhat-Bi Abdysagin** with **Bob Coecke**, (Quantum Guitar & Electronics), Quantum Universe Symphony (WP)

27 Nov: **Benjamin Nicholas**, 'Advent' by Bach and Glass

4 Dec: **Anna Steppler**, *In dulci jubilo* for Christmas

St Cross

CALYPSO AND SOCA CONCERT

7.15pm, 13 Oct, Pusey House Chapel: **Alexander D Great**. Free, registration required: <https://tinyurl.com/stcrossconcert2025>.

St Hilda's

THURSDAY LUNCHTIME RECITAL SERIES

Recitals will take place at 1.15pm in the JdP Music Building every Thursday during term time from 16 October. Free; tea and coffee provided. Registration not required. More information: www.st-hildas.ox.ac.uk/jdp-music-building/events-schedule.

16 Oct: **Antoinette Cheng** (piano)

23 Oct: **Eva Fidler** (saxophone)

30 Oct: **Peter Hardisty** (baritone)

6 Nov: **Ewan Millar** (oboe), **Jonathan Powell** (piano)

13 Nov: **Maiurie Rasakulasuriar**, Carnatic songs: traditional music from South India

20 Nov: **Ariana Pethard** (piano)

27 Nov: **Vivian Lui** and **Elizaveta Verzhbitskaya** (piano and strings)

3 Dec: Music Freshers' concert

Trinity

2.30pm, 7 Dec, de Jager Auditorium: Schubert Piano Trios No 1 and 2 – **Henning Kraggerud** (violin); **Adrian Bendal** (cello); **Imogen Cooper** (piano). More information: www.trinity.ox.ac.uk/events-at-trinity.

OTHER EVENTS

7pm, 13 Oct, JdP Music Building: **Wassim Mukdad** (oud) recital and symposium 'Justice for Syria'. Free, registration required; more information: www.st-hildas.ox.ac.uk/jdp-music-building/events/2025-justice-for-syria.

Examinations and Boards

Examinations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

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Examinations for the Degree of Master of Philosophy

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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>.

Humanities Board

MATHEMATICS AND PHILOSOPHY 2024, FHS
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minor change updating list of optional papers to
include Optional Paper 140

LINGUISTICS, FHS
change of submission day of the week for the thesis

Elections

Congregation 27 November

Please note: in the lists below, the names listed are simply those of the persons currently in office, whose terms of office are now coming to a close (thereby

Call for nominations

The nomination period for the elections below will close at **4pm on 30 October**. For further information, please contact elections.office@admin.ox.ac.uk.

Congregation elections

AUDIT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

- 1 member of Congregation elected by Congregation from among members of the faculties in the Humanities and of Social Sciences who shall not serve on Council or on any committee which in the view of Council has mainline executive authority within the University, or hold any office in the University or any college which involves executive authority, to serve with immediate effect until the start of HT 2028 (*vice* Professor Sophie Marnette)

Divisional Boards

SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISIONAL BOARD

- 1 member elected by and from the academic members of the Department of Sociology, to serve with immediate effect until the start of MT 2027
- 1 member elected by and from the academic members of the Oxford School of Global and Area studies, to serve with immediate effect until the start of MT 2027

Under the regulations governing the composition of divisional boards, the above vacancies fall within the single constituency of ‘two persons elected on a rotational basis by and from academic members of the following units of the division, with each person serving a two-year period of office:

prompting all the vacancies now advertised for election). The following list of vacancies are scheduled for election in week 7 of Michaelmas term 2025.

For further information on a particular vacancy or the work of a committee or other body, please contact the Secretary of the relevant committee/body (as shown below).

So as to encourage better representation of underrepresented groups, the committee welcomes nominations from women and BME staff. The full term of office is 3 years (or less, when a by-election is held to fill the residue of the term of office for an elected member who is standing down early). The terms of reference and membership of this body are set out in [Part 8 of Council Regulations 15 of 2002](#). For further information, please contact the Secretary (niamh.young@admin.ox.ac.uk).

(a) the Department for International Development; (b) the Oxford School of Global and Area studies; (c) the Department of Sociology; (d) the Oxford Internet Institute; (e) the Department of Social Policy and Intervention; (f) the School of Anthropology; (g) the Institute of Archaeology and Research Laboratory for Archaeology and the History of Art; (h) the Blavatnik School of Government.’

The last units elected to this constituency were (a) the Department for International Development; and (d) the Oxford Internet Institute. The board meets twice a term and meetings generally last for around two hours.

For further information, please contact the Divisional Registrar (sarah.warden@socsci.ox.ac.uk).

Faculty Boards

BOARD OF THE FACULTY OF CLASSICS

- 1 person elected by and from among the members of the Subfaculty of Classical Languages and Literature to serve with immediate effect until the start of MT 2026 [*vice* Dr Scott Scullion]

The full term of office for this board is 2 years (or less, when a by-election is held to fill the residue of the term of office for an elected member who is standing down early).

The terms of reference and membership of this board are set out in [Council Regulations 19 of 2002](#).

For further information, please contact the Secretary (hayley.merchant@classics.ox.ac.uk).

BOARD OF THE FACULTY OF HISTORY

- 1 person elected by and from among the members of the Faculty of History holding posts on the establishment or under the aegis of the board, to serve with immediate effect until the start of MT 2026 [*vice* Professor Andrew Thompson]

The full term of office for this board is 2 years (or less, when a by-election is held to fill the residue of the term of office for an elected member who is standing down early).

The board meets twice a term and meetings are scheduled for 2 hours.

The terms of reference and membership of this Board are set out in [Council Regulations 19 of 2002](#).

For further information, please contact the Secretary (administrator@history.ox.ac.uk).

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 board meets twice a term, and board members are expected to read the papers before the meeting. These include minutes of previous meetings, reports from working groups, proposals, applications for funding, and draft policy documents from University committees. The

quantity of reading material varies, but when there are draft policy documents to consider (lately there have been many) this can be of the order of 100 pages.

The terms of reference and membership of this Board are set out in [Council Regulations 19 of 2002](#).

For further information, please contact the Secretary (administrator@ling-phil.ox.ac.uk).

BOARD OF THE FACULTY OF MUSIC

- 2 persons elected by and from among the members of the Faculty of Music to serve with immediate effect until the start of MT 2027 [*vice* Professor Michael Burden and Dr Manuel Anglada-Tort]

The board meets twice per term and board meetings generally last up to 2 hours. For further information, please contact the Secretary (administrator@music.ox.ac.uk).

Notes

The elections on 27 November 2025 will be conducted electronically.

Nominations

Hard copies of nomination forms will not be processed. Nominations must be made on an official [nomination form](#). Completed nomination forms must be sent as an email attachment to the [Elections Office](#) by **4pm on Thursday 30 October**. Please ensure that the nominators listed in section D are also copied into the email when the nomination form is submitted, as this will act as verification of the nomination in lieu of supplying original signatures.

General requirements and eligibility

All candidates are asked to note the general requirements which apply to all committee members, as set out in [Council Regulations 14 of 2002 \(General Regulations of Council for Committees\)](#). Current members seeking re-election are also asked to check for specific restrictions on consecutive service. For further information, please see the [eligibility](#) and [amendments to nominations](#) sections within the [Information about University elections pages](#) of the [Elections](#) website.

Candidates' statements

Candidates are invited to include with their nomination forms a written statement of no more than 250 words, setting out their reasons for standing and qualifications for the office being sought.

Contested elections

In the event of a contested election, the successful candidates will be determined by an electronic ballot. 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 (NB with few exceptions, notably clinical staff, this will be the work address ending 'ox.ac.uk'). Candidates' statements will be published online and in the *Gazette* dated Thursday 13 November. Voters may wish to read these statements before completing their electronic vote. The voting period will close at **4pm on Thursday 27 November 2025**.

Uncontested elections

If the number of nominations received by the closing date is no more than sufficient to fill the vacancies, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be duly elected as of the close of the nomination period on Thursday 30 October. When required, places will be allocated according to academic standing, as defined in [Council Regulations 22 of 2002, Part 2: Academic Precedence and Standing](#). If the number of nominations received by the closing date is less than sufficient to fill the vacancies, those candidates nominated will be deemed elected unopposed, and the remaining vacancies will lapse, in which case, in accordance with the regulations, the places must remain vacant until appointments are made jointly by the Vice-Chancellor and Proctors.

Period of office

In accordance with [Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002](#), in any election where vacancies are to be filled for periods of different length, the elected candidates shall hold office so that the tenure of those who receive more votes shall be longer than that of those who receive fewer votes; but if the election is uncontested or if two candidates receive the same number of votes, the candidate senior in academic standing shall hold office for the longer period.

For further information, please contact the [Elections Officer](#).

Advertisements

Email: gazette@admin.ox.ac.uk

Web: <https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/classified-advertising-gazette>

Deadline

Advertisements are to be received by noon on Wednesday of the week before publication (ie eight days before publication). Advertisements must be submitted online.

Publication

The *Gazette* is only published online, except for library and archive copies. Charges for all adverts have been reduced to reflect this.

Charges

Non-commercial advertisers: £10 per insertion of up to 70 words, or £20 per insertion of 71–150 words.

Commercial advertisers: £20 per insertion of up to 70 words, or £40 per insertion of 71–150 words.

Advertisers may also purchase advertising space for a whole academic year (a minimum of eight insertions per term) at a discount of over 50% on the individual advertisement rate: £9.50 per insertion of up to 70 words, or £19 per insertion of 71–150 words.

See our website for examples of whether an advertisement is considered commercial or private: <https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/classified-advertising-gazette>.

Online submission and payment

Advertisements must be submitted and paid for online, using a credit card or debit card, through a secure website. For details, see <https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/classified-advertising-gazette>.

You are advised to view our full Terms and Conditions of acceptance of advertisements. Submission of an advertisement implies acceptance of our terms and conditions, which may be found at <https://gazette.web.ox.ac.uk/terms-and-conditions-acceptance-advertisements>, and may also be obtained on application to gazette@admin.ox.ac.uk.

Miscellaneous

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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 www.beckleyhall.org for a full description and the location. Abingdon Arms pub close by!

PBFA Oxford book fair: Sat 18 Oct, 10am–4pm. Thousands of rare and secondhand books, maps, prints and ephemera available from some of the country's leading booksellers. Sir Kenneth Wheare Hall, Oxford Brookes, Gypsy Lane, Headington, OX3 0BP. For full details and free tickets for this PBFA book fair see oxfordbookfair.org and pbfa.org.

Research participants sought

If you're aged 18 to 30, living in the Oxford area, and experiencing poor sleep alongside depression or anxiety, you may be eligible to take part in a new NDCN study comparing two behavioural sleep interventions. The study involves home sleep monitoring, lab assessments, daily diaries and online questionnaires. To learn more, contact the team at spectrum.study@ndcn.ox.ac.uk or visit: <https://redcap.link/528rac1j>.

Challenge studies – we are looking for healthy volunteers to support our work at NDORMS. Sign up to our mailing list and look out for a study to join. You will be playing a crucial role in helping us understand the human immune system that could lead to future discoveries or drugs to treat diseases. Plus you will be reimbursed for taking part. Further information on challenge studies: www.ndorms.ox.ac.uk/up-for-a-challenge.

Are you aged 18 to 55 years old and in good health? You may be eligible to take part in the BiVISTA study at the Oxford Vaccine Group to test a new vaccine against typhoid and paratyphoid A fever. Participants will be vaccinated with the new vaccine or control, and then exposed to the bacteria that causes paratyphoid fever. All study participants will receive antibiotic treatment. All participants will be reimbursed up to £4585. More information: www.ovg.ox.ac.uk/studies/bivista/oxford.

Get paid to contribute to research! We're recruiting healthy participants aged 18–45, with good vision and hearing and no history of psychiatric illnesses to investigate the effects of a medication on processing. Your participation would involve an online Teams call followed by a research visit at Warneford Hospital involving taking a medication, a 4-hour break, and computerised tasks. Travel expenses and lunch will be reimbursed. Email to sign up: pander@psych.ox.ac.uk.

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.

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.

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Faculty of English: Chancellor's English Essay Prize

Faculty of English; Chancellor's English Essay Prize; for an essays on a specific subject (yet to be announced); not exceeding 7,000 words in length (excluding

bibliography); open to students of the University; £500; 9 March; <https://english.web.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse385941>

Faculty of English: English Poem on a Sacred Subject Prize 2025–2028

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incorporation, by decree or by resolution; or shall hold the status of Master of Arts; or shall have qualified by examination for a degree of any other university; £500; June; <https://english.web.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse385956>

Faculty of English: Jon Stallworthy Poetry Prize

Faculty of English; Jon Stallworthy Poetry Prize; for the best poem in English verse (not exceeding 40 lines in length) on the subject of 'Music'; open to any currently

enrolled postgraduate student at the University; £1,000; 5 December; www.english.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse385961

Faculty of English: Lord Alfred Douglas Memorial Prize

Faculty of English; Lord Alfred Douglas Memorial Prize; for the best sonnet or other poem from 14 to 28 lines in length, written in English in contemporary diction and strict rhyming metre; any member of the University

who is registered for a degree of the University; £500; 27 April; <https://english.web.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse385946>

Faculty of English: Matthew Arnold Memorial Prize

Faculty of English; Matthew Arnold Memorial Prize; for an essay in response to the following prompt: 'Individual perfection is impossible so long as the rest of mankind are not perfected along with us'; open to members of the University, who, on the closing date, have qualified by

examination for the degree of BA or any other degree of the University or are pursuing a course of study leading to a postgraduate degree of the University; £500; 2 March; www.english.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse385936

Faculty of English: Shelley–Mills Prize

Faculty of English; Shelley–Mills Prize; for an essay of about 5,000 words on the subject of 'Shakespeare and the Senses'; open to all students of the University;

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Faculty of English: Sir Roger Newdigate Prize

Faculty of English; Sir Roger Newdigate Prize; for the best composition in English verse not exceeding 300 lines on the subject of 'Conversation'; open to

matriculated undergraduates of the University; £500; 9 March; <https://english.web.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse385931>

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to members of the University, who have not previously won this prize; £500; 1 May; <https://english.web.ox.ac.uk/prizes-and-studentships#collapse4129916>

