Oxford University today publishes its annual undergraduate admissions report, revealing steady progress in attracting students from a range of under-represented backgrounds. Detailed figures are given for undergraduate entry over the past five years, broken down by region, socio-economic background, school-type, gender, ethnicity, and disability. There are also figures for every Oxford college and academic department, aggregated over the last three years.

Between 2015 and 2019, within the total group of UK-domiciled undergraduates admitted:

- The proportion from state schools rose from 55.6% to 62.3%.
- The proportion identifying as Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) rose from 14.5% to 22.1%.
- The proportion from socio-economically disadvantaged areas rose from 8.6% to 12.2%.
- The proportion from areas of low progression to higher education rose from 10.8% to 14.0%.
- The proportion declaring a disability rose from 6.9% to 9.4%.
- The proportion of women rose from 47.5% to 54.4%.

The figures for the same categories at Lincoln are as follows:

- The proportion of state school admissions has risen from 52% in 2015 to 55.3% in 2017-2019.
- The proportion of Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) candidates admitted has dropped from 18.7% in 2015 to 17.8% in 2017-19. The proportion of UK-domiciled mixed heritage students has risen to 7.5% in 2017-19.
- The proportion of UK students from socio-economically disadvantaged areas rose from 2.7% in 2015 to 7.2% in 2017-19.
- The proportion of UK students from areas of low progression to higher education has dropped from 12% in 2015 to 9.2% in 2017-19.
- The proportion of UK students admitted who declared a disability was 9.2% in 2017-19.
- The proportion of women admitted during 2017-19 stands at 53.9%.

It is worth noting that these figures capture less than 50% of our student body, and do not account for two groups that contribute so much to the life of the College: in 2019, 57.4% of Lincoln students were either graduates or international students. In the same year, 24.5% of the College’s 603 students were BME, 10.4% had a declared disability, and 51.1% were women. The
The graph below shows the demographic make-up of our whole student body (Home, EU, International, Undergraduate, and Postgraduate) since 2013.

Through our access and outreach programme, the College works extensively with schools from Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire as part of Oxford for East Midlands. We also support specific projects in partnership with Oxford for North East.

Lincoln offers substantial funding packages for students in financial need. In 2019–20 the College awarded £184,077 in bursaries, £131,077 of which was paid directly to undergraduate students at Lincoln, and we have a wide range of scholarships available to graduate students.

The College hopes that you will take the opportunity to read the full report on the University of Oxford website.