

LINECOLN COLLEGE

Freshers' Guide

2022-2023

**With love –
the Entz
Team**

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ENTZ LETTER

Greetings to this year's Freshers!

My name is Tom Ancill and I am the head of the Entertainment Committee, commonly known as "Entz". I'm writing this letter on behalf of our team of six: Hannah, Emma, Steph, Tom, Tom, & Tom. Easy enough to remember!

We'll be running Freshers Week, along with the year's worth of events within the JCR. There are several staples of a term at Oxford, including karaoke, big formal dinners, 3 BOPs (big organised parties), and black-tie drinks.

Aside from all the induction talks that the college will throw at you during your first week, we have a week of great events planned for you all from pizza & picnics all the way to clubbing & night ice hockey.

Oxford and university in general can be a daunting prospect, but we hope to ease you in and make you feel at home. Our team has compiled this guidebook to get you prepped for the inevitable amount of Oxford-student-jargon you'll come across.

If you have any questions about events, or even suggestions, never hesitate to get in contact with us. We have Instagram and Facebook pages to advertise our events, and will publish term cards detailing all events we plan. We are only a text or email away.

We look forward to welcoming you,

Lincoln Entz <3



MEET THE ENTZ TEAM



Tom 1.0

Our Entz Chair - The Bossman



Emma



Steph



Tom 2.0

Mr T-Reasurer



Hannah







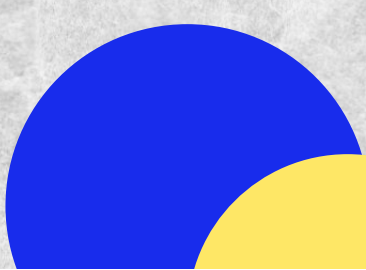






Tom 3.0

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Freshers, and welcome to Lincoln College, Oxford's hidden gem! My name is Archie (he/him) and I am lucky enough to be the JCR President for this year. As President, it is my job to make sure that everything is running smoothly in the JCR, to support the Executive and Wider Committee members with their projects and to represent Lincolnites at both College and University level. I chair the Executive Committee meetings, and also sit on the Wider Committee meetings, chaired by our Vice-President, Maddie. I will also be working on my own projects throughout the year and sit on many College Committees, having regular meetings with key figures in college such as the Bursar and the Senior Dean. As I'm sure many of you will have realised, both Lincoln and Oxford offer an incredible range of opportunities, many of them unique to the university, and so I would encourage all of you to get involved in anything that interests you, whether that be something you have done before arriving at university, or something completely new!

I live in the Mitre on Turl Street and will always be happy to answer any questions you have - you are welcome to drop me an email, message me on Facebook or simply stop by for a chat. Luckily for me, it is not just the President that keeps the JCR afloat; we also have fantastic Executive and Wider Committees to support me in making Lincoln College even better! Along with myself, the Exec is also made up of VP Maddie, Treasurer Will, Access Rep Steph, Academic Affairs Officer Raymond, Entz Chair Tom, Secretary Thomas and the alliterative Welfare Reps Beau and Ben. I hope that your time at Lincoln College and Oxford will be as amazing an experience for you as it has for me so far. One important thing to remember is that there will be challenging moments in your time here, but also that when this happens, myself, your college parents and many other students will be happy to answer any questions you might have, signpost you to support and help if we can.



Outside of my role as JCR President, I pursue many extracurricular activities.

I am a keen writer, contributing to Oxford publications and entering competitions when I can, and also spend many of my mornings in Oxford running to clear my mind before the day begins. As a modern languages student, I also love to read, and will always be up for a chat about whatever book I'm studying or reading for pleasure at the moment.

I would like to say a massive congratulations for getting into Lincoln and Oxford! This is by no means an easy thing to accomplish, especially given the disruptions that the Covid-19 pandemic caused during your GCSEs and A-Levels. Most importantly, now that you are part of this university, remember that everyone has come from different walks of life. It is my hope that Lincoln will be a space of equal opportunity for you all! I will be working closely with College throughout the year on behalf of the JCR, but remember that in order to represent the view of the JCR, I need to know it, so you are always welcome to let me know what you think we are doing right, and where you think things could be done better.

When I was reading this letter from my predecessor this time year, I remember feeling both anxious and excited, not knowing what university life had in store for me. But let me reassure you, you will soon settle into Lincoln, and we hope that your Freshers' Week will give you the warmest welcome possible to life at the college.

I look forward to meeting you all!

By Archie Turner



Q OXFORD TERMINOLOGY



Entz	The JCR's Entertainment Team – they organise BOPS and all kinds of fun, from Groove Quad in the summer to Freshers' week.
Bops	A big party, usually in Deepers, with a fun theme from punk to 70s, usually attended by the whole JCR and held a few times a term.
Matriculation	The ceremony at the start of your first term that officially initiates you into Oxford!
Sub Fusc	The uniform you wear for Matriculation, exams and graduation (and kind of makes you look like a penguin).
Crew Date	Two groups of people (often sports teams) go out for a meal, sconce each other, play drinking games, possibly go out after etc...
Sconce	Basically a truth, e.g. "I sconce anyone who's JCR Pres -> Archie would have to drink (usually a lot more revealing and funny than that!).
Hall	Abbreviation for the dining hall in college.
Informal	Normal dinner every night (except on Saturdays).
Formal	Three-course meal in hall every night (get there a bit early to sit together!). Normal clothes are fine but wear your gown on top!
Great Hall	A more posh formal hall every 2nd thursday – HUGE fun! (you even get a cheese board).
Deepers	Our college bar run by the legend that is Simon!
Battels	The bills you pay to college for accommodation, food, etc.
Collections	College mock exams in 0th week of every term.
Tutes	Abbreviation for tutorials.
Prelims	First year exams.
Rusticate	Suspend studies and return a year later.
Porters	Staff who man the lodge, be nice to them!
Pidges	Pigeon-holes in the lodge where your post is delivered.

Scouts	Cleaners who clean your rooms / corridors, also be nice to them!
Lincolnites	The people who study at Lincoln (i.e. YOU!).
Lincoln Till I Die	Our college song, an absolute tune.
The Imp	Both our college mascot (look out for it as you enter Deepers) and the name of our satirical newspaper!
Quads	The grassy squares surrounded by buildings that make up the college site! At Lincoln we have 3: Chapel, Front and Grove.
Rector	Head of the college! Ours is Professor Henry Woodhuysen. The head of a college may have a different title at another college.
JCR	Collective name for the body of undergrads + the physical common room for undergrads (found in Chapel Quad).
Husts	If someone wants to run for a JCR position, they will give a hust which includes a short presentation, answering some questions and often completing fun challenges set by their predecessors.
Torpids/ Summer 8's (Rowing)	Obvs you know what rowing is but these are some key terms: intercollegiate rowing competitions which the majority of us don't understand but still enjoy. If you see a rower, you are contractually obliged to say "WOW do you row?!" any time they mention it (which will be a lot, brace yourselves).
Deaned	When the Dean tells you off if you misbehave in college.
Cuppers	Any intercollegiate competition in sports, drama etc.
Vac	Our name for the breaks in between terms, short for Vacation.
Vac Res	Short for Vacation Residence.
Bod Card	Your student card, VERY important, try not to lose it!
Michaelmas	First term
Hilary	Second term
Trinity	Third term



THE JER

HOW THE JCR WORKS

The JCR stands for Junior Common Room, and any undergraduate in Lincoln belongs to our JCR. This term also refers to the physical common room (recently updated with an air hockey table!). There is also the MCR (Middle Common Room) for graduate students. The JCR is based at the bottom of staircase 5, on the right as you go into Chapel Quad, and also includes a small kitchen for students to use at any time they wish (even for toast at 2am). The JCR committee all have particular roles to improve the experience of and represent the JCR.

The Exec is made up of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Entz chair, Academic Affairs Officer, Access Rep, and Welfare Officers. Then there is a Wider Committee who have much more specific roles - everything from an environment rep to a steak fairy. We also have an Independent Chair to run JCR meetings, which happen on the Sundays of weeks 2, 5, and 8 every term. In these meetings officers can raise any points they may have, and anyone can present a motion, which is then voted on by everyone at the meeting. There is a termly motions budget, and motions are usually paid for through this pot of money, and it is ultimately up to the Treasurer to ensure we don't go into debt! Each rep also has their own individual budgets, but they can motion for more money from the JCR. There will be a JCR meeting at the beginning of term, so you can all get the gist of how they run (as well as our JCR for Dummies guide!).

The Exec is ultimately in charge of the JCR, and it is their job to pass on any opinions of the committee or the wider JCR to the governing body and university. The President attends weekly meetings with college staff to ensure they are kept in the loop about the goings on in the JCR.

There are also peer supporters, a group of your peers trained to listen in confidence to students' issues. You will learn more about peer supporters in due course!

The go-to place for updates and information, as well as your college email addresses, is the Lincoln College JCR Facebook Group. Useful resources can information can also be found on our JCR website: <https://www.lincolncollegejcr.co.uk/>.





Archie Turner

JCR President



Thomas Britton

Secretary



Tom Ancill

Entz Chair



Steph Stankard

Access Rep

Meet the JCR Exec Committee



Raymond Zhao

Academic Affairs



Maddie Pearce

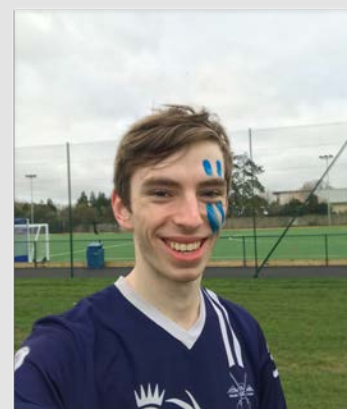
Vice President



Beau Boka Batesa

Ben Wormald

Welfare Reps



William Brilliant

Treasurer



**Tanatswa
Nyatanga**

Disabilities Officer



Charlotte Paylor

LGBTQIA+ Rep



Sion Goodwin

LGBTQIA+ Rep



Lizzie Smith

Gender Rep

Meet (some of) the wider committee



Hannah Newman

Gender Rep



Amelia Kopacz

Imp Editor



Thomas Kemball

Half of our CRED Reps,
alongside Madi Hopper



August Chen

International Rep

FAQS AND CONCERNS

How do you cope with the workload?

Time management is key, I was worried when I first came to Oxford that I wouldn't be able to have any sort of social life at all but it definitely is manageable as long as you're disciplined and organised. Having a good mental overview of roughly all of the work you'll be doing in a week/term is helpful, that way you know what deadlines you have coming up and can manage your time accordingly. Taking time for yourself is also really important, there can be a certain degree of pressure to 'work hard and play hard' at Oxford but I find that if I take time to do things that are good for my own mental health then I have more capacity to get everything done that I need to do.



Bekah Goodchild

How did you feel about leaving all your friends and family?

Leaving for university is always daunting - as for most people it's the first time they've left home for a significant amount of time. If you feel nervous or worried, don't be concerned - I promise it's totally normal! Once you get to Lincoln, I found that the close-knit, friendly atmosphere we have, really made it feel like home super quickly and meant any fears I had about leaving home were quickly got rid of. If you are struggling with this however, there are welfare reps and all sorts of other pastoral provisions to help you through - but please remember it's totally normal and coming to university is always an incredibly daunting process, everyone is in the same boat as you!

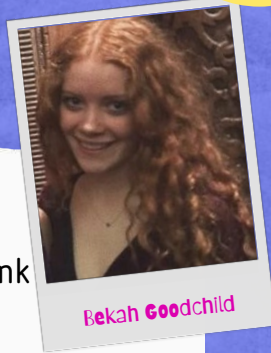


Steph Stankard

How do you deal with imposter syndrome?

If you feel able to, a good way to combat imposter syndrome (which I think pretty much everyone, especially at a university like Oxford, feels to a degree) is to talk about it. Talking really helps, be that with your friends or course-mates, with a peer supporter or someone that you're close to, or even your tutor if you feel that would help. (We've held impostor syndrome workshops/panels in the past where students have come together and just taken some time to chat about how impostor syndrome can make us feel, and how we can combat it.)

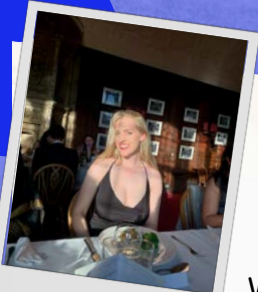
Also just generally try to remember that the tutors at Oxford know what they're doing with admissions, the fact that they let you in and therefore chose to teach you for 3+ years means that you really impressed them, and they saw that you have a lot of potential. That's something I try to remind myself if I ever feel insecure about my abilities and worthiness of a place at Oxford.



Bekah Goodchild

Will I fit in?

With absolute confidence, yes! The Oxford experience is different for everyone, but it also has something for everyone. One of the things I love about Oxford is that it has such a mix of people, and you can have an interesting conversation with anyone, even if they have totally different interests to you. You'll be in a lovely community from day 1 at Lincoln, and you will probably feel at home in college very quickly. But even if you don't, there are many other ways to find your people. I highly recommend getting involved in societies out of college, as these all have their own communities. One of the great things about university is that unlike school, you're not bound to things - so you can try stuff out but only commit to what you really enjoy. My advice would be: try not to be nervous about "fitting in" at Uni. Be yourself, and it will happen naturally.



Hannah Edwards

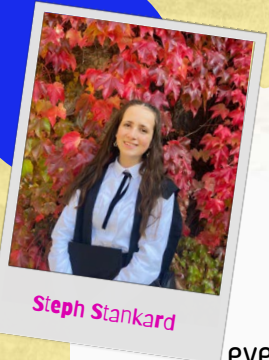
Did you ever feel homesick?



Alex Trew

In short, no! The great thing about university is that no matter whether you have never been away from home for more than a night or have spent years at a boarding or international school, it is a new experience for everyone. The fact that almost no-one knows anyone else, and are all settling in at the same time, means that your first weeks will be spent meeting and socialising with so many fun, brilliant people that it's very difficult to miss home! And even if you do on occasion find it difficult at any point in the term, you can always go home for a few days to relax – the College is very easygoing about this, so there's no pressure to stay for every day of the 8 weeks. All in all, don't worry about being homesick – everyone is in the same boat as you and if you do feel it there is support wherever you look.

Is the accommodation nice?



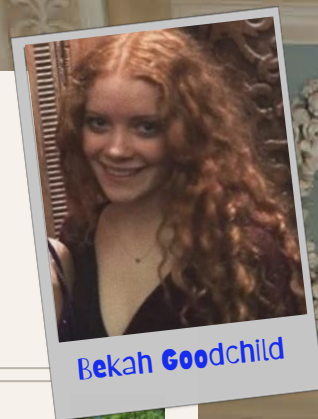
Steph Stankard

In my opinion, accommodation is truly a highlight of Lincoln! In first year, everyone gets an ensuite which makes settling in that little bit easier. About half of the year are in the main college quads themselves and the other half are across the road in Lincoln House/ staircase 15. The two sites are 2 seconds away from each other meaning the year is really well integrated and everyone pays the same no matter the quality of their room. Another great thing about Lincoln accommodation is that if you get a smaller, less nice room in first year (though even these rooms are lovely), you will be top of the ballot and get a much higher ranked room in second year! In later years, students are housed in various sites – none of which are more than a 10 minute walk from the city centre meaning all accommodation is super central and convenient: no being shipped off to Cowley or Summertown which is a real bonus!

DAY IN THE LIFE



French and German



7.30

If I'm not too tired I tend to try to wake up earlyish so as to make the most of the day, sometimes I go for a run or a cycle which I find really gets my brain in gear. As a modern languages student, I try to start each day with half an hour of chill vocab revision, which I do on Anki (I highly recommend this for linguists! I only discovered it on my year abroad, wish I had sooner!), usually while I have some breakfast.

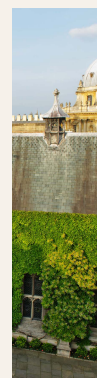


9.00

I usually head to the library for a few hours of work before classes or tutorials if I have any. Depending on where I am in the week, I'll be reading and perhaps working on a translation, or planning/writing an essay.

11.00

I often have a tute (tutorial) or class at this time, so will go to that and then afterwards at around half 12 I'll probably head to Deepers for a baguette or salad (10/10 from Simon) and relax with some friends.

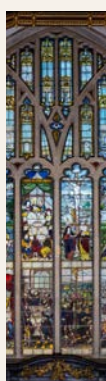


13.30

After lunch I'll either head back to my room to chill out for a bit if I don't have a tute in the afternoon, or I'll pop to the library to do a bit more work if I do have something going on later.

15.00

I often have a tutorial or class around this time which tend to take place in other colleges – a lovely excuse to cycle around Oxford! If not, I'll be in the library – either Lincoln library (because it's so gorgeous and central) or the Taylorian, which is the languages library. I like to study with other people, sometimes I go to the library with friends and then we get coffee or go for a walk around one of the parks.



16.00

If I haven't been for a morning run, I like to go in the afternoon. I don't do this every day though, only when I have time and can be bothered, usually a few times a week.

17.00

Something I quite like to do if I've just finished an essay is printing out the essay and proof-reading it in a café or down the pub as a treat, I think getting a nice coffee or whatever is a good reward for finishing an essay and it makes the process a bit more appealing.

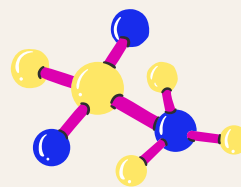


18.00

I'll usually either go to hall for my tea or go back to my flat to cook (we have kitchens in third and fourth year which is nice!). Some evenings I do a bit more work, which I do in the library to avoid distractions, but others I like to take time to do things like going to the pub with my friends or having a chill night in.



DAY IN THE LIFE



Chemistry



Steph Stankard

07.00

I wake up around 7am every day to give me enough time to get ready slowly, before lectures, as chemists have a lecture at 9am every day from Monday to Friday! (I'm also just an early bird so don't let the 7am wake up time scare you!)

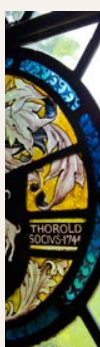


08.00

Between 8:00 and 8:40 I have breakfast and sort out everything I need for the day. As well as this I might sort out some admin bits or do any small (normally non academic) tasks that need doing, such as taking out the recycling or hoovering my room.

08.40

At this point we leave for lectures. The Lincoln chemists normally meet at the porters lodge and walk to lectures together which are about 10 minutes away from college. Lincoln is really central so it's rare anything is more than 10 minutes away which is amazing!



09.00

We then have lectures from 9 until 11 (2 lectures, one hour each).

This is more than most other subjects but I find having them regularly twice a day really helps keep you in a routine and means you're already in work mode for the rest of the day which is great for motivation!




11.00

Every Monday and Tuesday we have labs which means as soon as lectures are done we head over to the teaching labs. We're here until just before 5pm so the day feels long, but you can also have (normally a quite long) lunch break whenever is most appropriate during the experiment which is nice! On days where we don't have labs, we'll often have a tutorial or a maths/ physics class or something - it is quite rare that we have a day of just lectures!



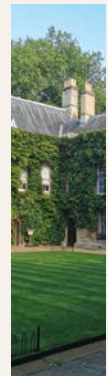
17.00




After labs I'll normally just go to my room for a bit before dinner or sit in Grove Quad if the weather is nice. There's always people milling about college so if you fancy just sitting and having a chat that's always an option too!

18.00

Dinner time! Lincoln has an informal (6pm) sitting of dinner and a formal sitting (7pm) every day except Saturday. I go to formal maybe once or twice a week but most days I go to the informal sitting. I'll often stay and chat to friends afterwards as it's a great opportunity to catch up - especially if I've been in labs all day!



19.00



After dinner I'll either go to the library until about 22:00 when I'll head back to my room and go to bed, unless there's some kind of evening activity or event I'm going to when it can get a lot later! A favourite of mine was midnight ice hockey which was always really fun and definitely a unique way to spend a Friday night!

Q&A WITH LINCOLNITES



Tara Williams

German

Second year



Amy PJ

CAAH

Second year



Will Storey

Medicine

Second year

Favourite Part of Freshers Week?

Getting to see everyone I had spoken to online in-person for the first time! It was really reassuring to see how lovely everyone was.

The whole first night. The anticipation of a new start with new and great people in an amazing environment was almost tangible.

Rather controversially, it has to be 30 questions. I was very worried about getting to know people, but I found once I'd discussed some of those questions, any normal conversation was easy.

Regret of Freshers Week?

Wearing a onesie to the end-of-week bop in Deepers - it's boiling during Deepers bops at the best of times so try and avoid dressing head to toe in insulated fluff!

A close call with marriage.

Not going to more non-alcoholic events. I had never been to a club before freshers' week so I wanted the full experience, but I think I kind of missed out on some pretty chill and fun events.

Favourite Hall Meal?

They did a great beef and mushroom curry once, thoroughly enjoyed that, and the occasional times when pasta is on the menu are always good.

BUTTERNUT SQUASH
RISOTTO !!!!!

Anything with the potato croquettes, and chocolate cheesecake for dessert.

Favourite Bop Theme?

The 'British Icons' bop was, as the name implies, iconic - I'm still surprised that my Go Compare Man pipecleaner moustache stayed on for as long as it did...

Dress as something/someone that you share the same first letter with. The best display of creativity.

70s/80s was best for costumes, but the music at the punk bop was great (even if it did stretch the definition of punk considerably!).

Favourite Hobby/Extra-curricular?

Definitely the university Harry Potter Society - it's very chill and a lovely group of people! I highly recommend, gives me something to look forward to on a Thursday evening.

College sport in general. Great vibes and you can get involved as much or as little as you want.

WAPSOC - sipping wine and watching classic films in college is about as Oxford as it gets.

Favourite Place in Oxford?

I'm from the West Country so Uni Parks is great when I feel like spending some time in nature (it's also really close to college which is a bonus - Port Meadow is lovely but it's a bit of a trek!).

Atik or Bridge...? Nah Christ Church Meadows.

Christ Church Meadows is a nice and peaceful walk during exam weeks, it's great for photographs and lying on the grass under the Summer sun with friends is what makes Summer my favourite season to spend in Oxford

What you wish you had known before coming?

That I didn't need to worry so much about not being able to adjust to uni life!

Both academically and pastorally, everyone in college is really kind and understanding, so if I've ever needed some help with anything I've always been able to get support easily.

Uni, even Oxford, is an opportunity for you to experience such a variety of things, not all academia centred. Open yourself up to social, novel, and interesting events, they are so worth sacrificing a couple hours of work.

You make friends throughout the whole year. Fresher's week is the start and it's arguably easiest since basically no one knows each other, but you'll meet so many people through societies and events in all three terms!

BEST OF OXFORD



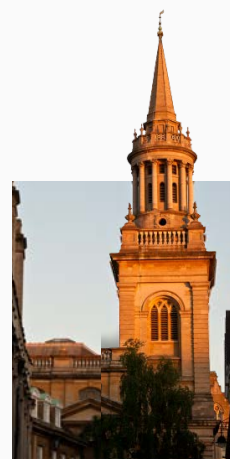
Libraries

LINCOLN - Objectively the prettiest library in Oxford!

RAD CAM - A classic, 2 minute walk from Lincoln.

BODLEIAN - Harry Potter vibes

VERE HARMSWORTH - Whiteboard tables, enough said.



Museums

ASHMOLEAN - Free! + Lots of fun

NATURAL HISTORY - Dinosaurs and wavy skeletons

PITT RIVERS - The sheer chaos of this place makes it worth a visit!

MODERN ART OXFORD - Much culture, very cool



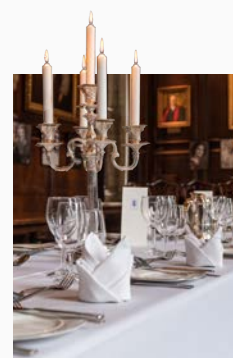
Food

HALL - Social, feels free (it isn't tho)

DEEPERS - Baguettes and salads made by our very own Simon!

GLOUCESTER GREEN MARKET - All sorts

TORTILLA - A staple, down the road



Pubs

TURF TAVERN - Iconic, tiny entrance

THE BEAR - V small, v close, v cute

CHEQUERS - Less small, also cute

THE KING'S ARMS - The pink one

THE CROWN - Cute fairy lights



Shops

TESCO - Vital, beware the Tescalator

BOOTS - A* Meal deal, underrated

WESTGATE - Everything you could ever need



Parks

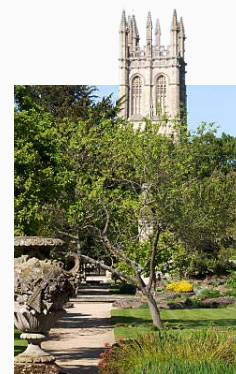
UNI PARKS - Big, green and close

BOTANICAL GARDENS - Free n fun

CHRISTCHURCH MEADOWS - Iconic

MAGDALEN DEER PARK - Deer live there

PORT MEADOW - Further but a classic



BEST OF OXFORD



Restaurants

FRANCO MANCA - Big groups, peng pizza

COMPTOIR LIBANAIS - Legendary Lebanese

ART CAFE - Perfect paninis and pastries

THE MISSING BEAN - A Lincoln classic (p.s. get the loyalty card)



Cinemas

ODEON - George Street, Decent

CURZON - in Westgate, also cute, but expensive

THE PICTURE HOUSE - Jericho, super cool place!!



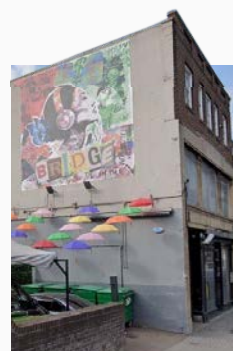
Clubs

PLUSH - TuesGAYS - serious fun

ATIK - Cheese floor: need we say anymore?

BRIDGE - Lincoln fav, especially on a Thursday

BULLY - Further, but some coool events



Bars

FREUD - Super funky + v aesthetic

VARSITY CLUB - Rooftop view

THE MAD HATTER - Quirky cocktail bar

THIRST - Funky mix of bar/ club

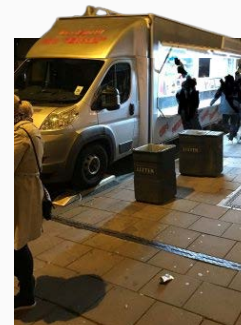


Snacks

HASSAN'S - Will be your best friend by 4th week, other kebab vans will tempt you, do not let them!

MCDONALD'S - A classic, v close by

LEON - Perfect for veggies



Miscellaneous

ICE SKATING - Super fun, especially at midnight!

O2 ACADEMY - Concertzzz

OXFORD PLAYHOUSE - Super cool theatre

JUNKYARD GOLF - Mini golf cocktail bar! Good for dates!



EXERCISE IN OXFORD

PUREGYM - Close to Lincoln.

SPORTS - The college and the university offer literally every sport in existence! More info to follow...

BUZZ GYM - Also close to Lincoln!


Gyms

IFFLEY - Iffley Road Sports Centre is the University sports complex. It has an adequate gym and College pay for all students to have gym and pool access for Iffley Road so it's a great option! There are also usually various classes available to sign up for at Iffley, you should check <https://www.sport.ox.ac.uk> for more info. Iffley is towards Cowley and takes about 15-20 mins to walk to, but it's much quicker and quite easy to cycle.

Running and Cycling

Christ Church Meadows	4km
Port Meadow	8-11km
Uni Parks	5km

You can cycle pretty much anywhere in Oxford apart from Cornmarket Street - it's so busy you probably wouldn't want to anyway let's be honest!

A photograph of a grand, historic library. In the foreground, a large, ornate brass chandelier hangs from the ceiling. Below it, wooden bookshelves filled with books line the walls. In the background, students are seated at long wooden tables, some working on laptops. The room has high ceilings and large arched windows. The text "SUMMARIES FROM THE REPS" is overlaid in a pink oval with blue, outlined letters.

SUMMARIES FROM THE REPS

SPORT AT LINCOLN

College sports are a super fun and easy way to get involved with college; also a great way to get to know people outside of your year. They are relatively low commitment and open to all abilities. Whether you want to continue playing a sport from school or want to get into something new, college sport is a great starting point.

If there is a sport you want to see at college level, you can get a team together and set it up! Just get in touch with the Sports Rep for more info!

The sports we offer



Athletics



Basketball



Cricket



Football



Handball



Hockey



Lacrosse



Netball



Rowing



Rugby



Tennis

SPORTS AT OXFORD

The University has a massive variety of sports on offer and if you are serious about your sport there will be a team for you! University-wide teams are more challenging and committed so previous experience is often required, although many university teams do hold “academies” to introduce new players to sports if you are interested. The most prestigious first teams are called “Blues” and are a goal of many sporty Oxford students!

See below for a non-exhaustive list of University Sports, if you can't find what you are interested in, it is possible it was missed off the list so just look for info at the University Freshers' Fair or look at the website

Go to
<https://www.sport.ox.ac.uk>
for more information

The sports available

Archery, American football, Aikido, Athletics, Australian football, Badminton, Amateur boxing, Basketball, Baseball, Cycling, Canoe & Kayak, Caving, Cheerleading, Clay Pigeon Shooting, Cricket, Cross Country, Croquet, Contemporary Dance, Dancesport, Eton Fives, Equestrian, Fencing, Floorball, Football, Gliding, Golf, Gymnastics, Handball, Hockey, Ice Hockey, Ice Skating, Jitsu, Judo, Karate, Kendo, Kickboxing, Korfball, K. O. Krav, Kabaddi, Lacrosse, Modern Pentathlon, Motor Drivers, Mountaineering, Netball, Polo, Pool & Snooker, Powerlifting, Rowing, Rugby, Squash, Swimming, Ski/Snowboarding, Surf, Taekwondo, Trampolining, Triathlon, Table Tennis, Tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, Scuba Diving, Volleyball, Water Polo, Windsurfing, Yacht.

Lincoln Drama Society

Lincoln has its own Drama Society. This is a fantastic opportunity to get stuck into some really good plays, and get to know other people that you otherwise wouldn't have likely met. Also, every year there is a college musical which is a great thing to get involved with and is lots of fun.

The Imp

The Imp is Lincoln's termly satirical magazine. It includes anything from interviews and articles to poems and jokes. It comes out once a term, usually after everyone's gone home in 8th week. Not only that but writing for the Imp is a great way to procrastinate doing work!

ARTS AT LINCOLN

Turl Street Art Festival

The Turl Street Arts Festival is a ten-day arts festival in February every year. It's a wonderful way to get to know fellow students in neighbouring colleges, as well as express some creativity! Year-to-year, the events change but we always have a street fair on Brasenose Lane with live music and fun art stalls! TSAF is a staple of the Oxford Arts Calendar, and you can't miss it!

Arts Reps Events

Arts will organise events throughout term. There will be regular Facebook and email updates. Our current arts reps are Manon (she/her, second year history) and Emma (she/her, second year art history), so feel free to get in touch with them for any arty related questions!

ARTS AT OXFORD



ART

The Isis Magazine

A student-run magazine, have a look on their website for lots of art, illustration, poetry, creative writing, photography: <https://isismagazine.org.uk>. Galleries like MODERN ART OXFORD and cafes like the ART CAFÉ are also lush!



MUSIC

Oxford Uni Music Soc

(OUMS) is the one to join if you are a keen musician - lots of info on their website about the various uni orchestras! There are also lots of choirs to join - Lincoln Choir is very well-regarded and takes its choristers on a free trip annually!



FILM

Oxford Uni Film-Making Soc

Live your filmmaking dreams! See Oxford University Filmmaking Foundation (OUFF) on Facebook for more information about how to get involved!



DRAMA

Oxford Uni Drama Soc

(OUDS) puts on plays throughout the year which you can go see and / or audition for! There is also no shortage of plays to get involved in - most often you will see announcements on Facebook! THE OXFORD PLAYHOUSE also puts on a ton of excellent shows!

CHARITIES

Within Lincoln, we organise lots of small fundraising activities: pub quizzes in Deepers, charity concerts, bake sales, it's really fun – make sure to get involved!

Our current Charities Rep is Archie Turner, so he's the port of call for any questions or ideas!



charity is one of the most important aspects of Lincoln life and it's safe to say that giving back to our community is one of the many things that makes Lincoln so great! There are opportunities to take part in charity work both within the college and in Oxford at large.



On an annual basis, Lincoln College VacProj (VACATION PROJECT)

organises day trips and week long holiday camps for free, for children involved in the social services. If you speak to anyone still or previously involved with VacProj, you will find out how rewarding of an experience it is.



Here are just a few of the ways you can get involved with charity at Oxford!

The Oxford Hub

Regularly updated with charitable initiatives around Oxford and help with how to get involved. Set up to make it easier for Oxford students to give back.

Turl Street Homeless Action

Essentially a student-run homeless outreach group that provides food, drink and lovely chats for the homeless in Oxford – find out about how to help out by liking their Facebook group.

Oxford Nightline

Another brilliant initiative (a hotline/listening service run by and for students at Oxford and Oxford Brookes). You can volunteer to be a listener by heading to www.oxfordnightline.org

ENVIRONMENT AND ETHICS

Environment and ethics are really important topics in and around the university: these are just a few ways to get involved! Lincoln also has a dedicated E&E rep, Amy PJ who is there if you have any concerns!

Oxford Eco Platform

In terms of the environment at Oxford, join the Facebook page 'Oxford Eco Platform' for info and events!

Oxford Vegsoc

Oxford Vegsoc (Vegan and Vegetarian Society) works to connect, collaborate with, and advocate for the vegan and vegetarian student community in Oxford.

Oxford Climate Change Soc

The Oxford Climate Society is an award-winning University of Oxford society dedicated to connecting and developing informed climate leaders.

What can you do at Lincoln?

USE YOUR LINCOLN RECYCLING BAG

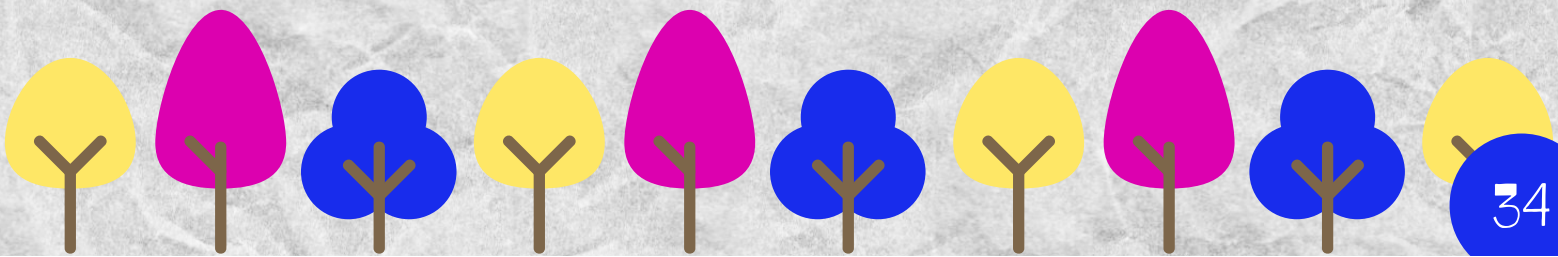
This is in your room, can recycle paper, glass, tins and card

INVEST IN A KEEP CUP

Discounted coffee at lots of places in the city centre!

USE ECOSIA

This search engine plants trees when you search. We love trees!



At Lincoln

We have our own designated CRED Reps, Madi Hopper and Thomas Kemball, who are available for any queries and are here to represent you.

The Entz team also hold events such as a cultural formal which allows us to celebrate all of the cultures and diversity we have at Lincoln!



Cultural, Religious and Ethnic Diversity

All sorts of societies...
Oxford South Asian Arts, Oxford Mixed Heritage Society, Oxford African & Caribbean Soc, Oxford Jewish Society, Oxford Arab Society, Oxford Islamic Society

The fresher's fair will give you the opportunity to see all of these different societies! (See the fresher's week timetable for more detail).

At the university

DISABILITIES

At Lincoln

In order to provide the support you need, it is essential that you declare a disability, chronic condition or a Specific Learning Difficulty (SpLD) before you join us next term. Lincoln's Disability Coordinator is Lisa Stokes-King: please contact her with any request or queries, or just to find out more, at lisa.stokes-king@lincoln.ox.ac.uk. The Disability Coordinator is here to support you and accommodate your needs! If you have any problems with your room, such as accessibility problems, contact them or Annaliese Griffiss (Annaliese.griffiss@lincoln.ox.ac.uk), our Accommodation Manager.

**Disabilities Rep –
Tanatswa Nyatanga**

A friendly face happy to advocate on your behalf if necessary. Feel free to contact her if you have any questions before or during term.

At the university

Disability Advisory Service

A confidential, free service that offers advice on any disability-related issue. For advice and appointment availability, see <https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/disability>.

Uni Counselling Service

See website for the most up-to-date info on resources and free appointments:
<https://academic.admin.ox.ac.uk/counselling>.

Your GP

Our GP is King Edward Street at the Northgate Medical Practice – you should register with them before you start at Lincoln.



GENDER

At Lincoln

Our Period Product Supply Scheme

We provide students with a variety of free period products throughout the term. We always make sure that products are available.

Workshops and Talks

We organise events throughout term for anyone and everyone on subjects including sex positivity, gender expectations on us all, sexual health, contraception and sexual violence.

We also plan on working alongside other reps (such as Arts or Entz) to organise joint events.

Social Events

We also host lots of different events, such as 'Cocktails and Clueless' which involves - you guessed it - watching Clueless whilst sipping cocktails!

Fem-Soc

Holds many great events including 'Liberation and Liquor' (no pressure to drink - just a cute and quirky name) involving casual debates and conversation around feminist-related topics.

It happens here

Brilliant SU project dedicated to addressing sexual violence at Oxford and supporting survivors.

Oxford Women in Business

Huge student group running networking events etc.

At the university





LGBTQIA+

At Lincoln

Our LGBTQIA+ Reps

Charlotte (she/her) and Sion (he/him). The people to talk to if you have any questions or any worries - they will help you out!

Fun Events

Everything from an intro to Tuesgays in Michaelmas, to organised trips to the Jolly Farmers (a super cool LGBTQIA+ friendly pub in Oxford - it even has outdoor board games!)

Gender Expression Fund

College will reimburse students for items that make them feel more comfortable in their gender presentation. Items include binders, packers, wigs, or travel costs to Gender Identity Clinics & more!

At the university

Plush Pres

Pres for Oxford's premium gay club in Lincoln MCR or hosted by LGBTQ+ Soc every tuesGAY.

LGBTQIA+ Society


Huge variety of events, very intersectional! Many non-drinking events if that's your cup of tea :)

LGBTQIA+ Campaign

If you're interested in queer advocacy - the political arm of Oxford's queer community

The Rainbow Parenting Scheme

Like the College Parent scheme, but within LGBTQ+ Soc - contact Charlotte or Sion to get involved!



We have a wide range of events taking place throughout the week which will spark dialogue, foster learning and celebrate the diversity of our community, including an International Food Fair, Drag Night, and Intersectionality Exhibit! More information can be found on the JCR website and the Lincoln Unites Facebook page. We will be releasing the program throughout Michaelmas, so stay tuned!



LINCOLN UNITES

Taking place in second week of Hilary term, Lincoln Unites week seeks to promote equality, diversity and unity within Lincoln.

Feel free to talk to the Lincoln Unites President, **Phoebe Walls**

Any questions?

If you have any questions that this guide hasn't answered, the first people to go to are your College Parents! You'll have received a letter from your parents along with this guide introducing themselves so feel free to add them on Facebook - they will answer any questions you may have and hopefully relieve any worries! Once you arrive there will be a whole team of Freshers' Helpers to take good care of you and of course, the Entz Team who are running Freshers' Week! The JCR reps are well placed to deal with more specific concerns so feel free to add them on Facebook and drop them a message if you need! We can't wait to meet you all, enjoy your summer and see you in October!

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