

# FRESHERS' GUIDE

**WADHAM  
COLLEGE**

**2020**

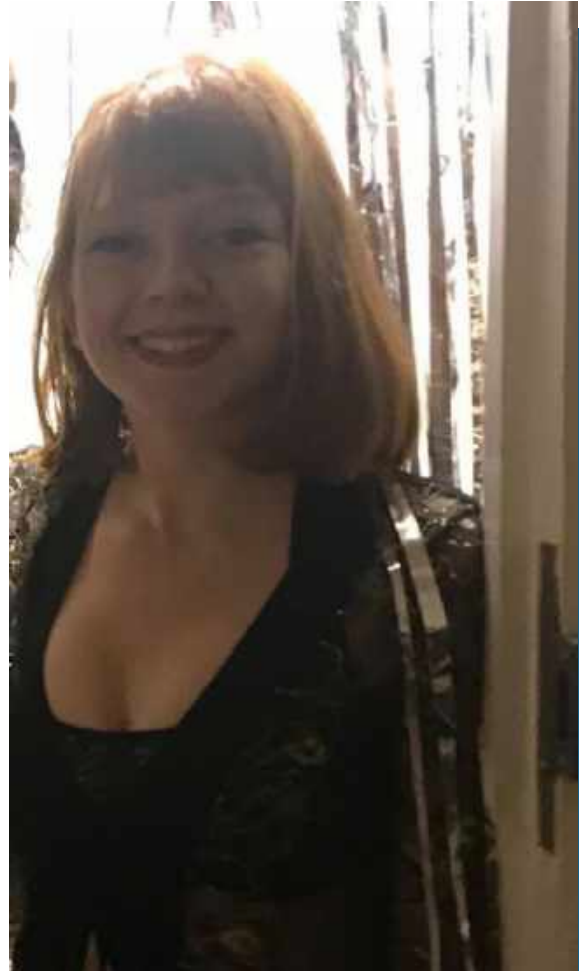


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# Hi freshers!

Hello, Hello, Hello! I'm Rachel (she/her) and I'm your freshers' president this autumn (lucky you!). I should probably explain the pronouns before I start; we tell each other what our preferred pronouns are so that everyone feels respected and comfortable. I cannot wait to meet you all in October, possibly from a socially acceptable distance, but I am nonetheless excited. Now, you may be nervous before your arrival, as I was, but I promise you that everything will turn out fine, actually most probably better than fine. (Despite the existence of COVID.) The freshers' team and I (Fin, Aaron, Steph, Meher, Hannah, and Jemima) have been trying our absolute hardest to make sure you have the best time during freshers' week, even with an ongoing pandemic. We will make sure you have everything you need before the week starts. If you have any questions before you get here, feel free to drop us a message on Facebook! <3



I guess I need to explain Wadham in a nutshell, which is hard because we're pretty complex. We're one of the larger undergrad colleges so we have a lot of students from a lot of different backgrounds. This makes it incredibly easy to find friends and like-minded people. We pride ourselves on how inclusive our college is, so you should never worry or be afraid of being yourself. Part of how we organise our little community is the Wadham Student Union which has loads of officers and reps to make sure that everyone is heard. These include the Equalities officers: The People of Colour and Race Equalities Officers, Trans Officer, LGBTQIA+ Officers, Women's\* Officers, Welfare Officers, Class Officer, and Disabilities Officers. They all work hard to make sure that every single Wadhamite feels safe, included and happy. They will be introduced both when you get here and in their own little intros later in this guide.

Another thing: a lot of this guide is written about Wadham from the Before Pandemic Times. Whilst we hope to return to the Before Pandemic Times as soon as is possible - with the help from the Oxford Vaccine - some of what you read might not be quite the same when you arrive. As a college and as a freshers' team, we are going to do everything in our power to make you feel at home. Because that is what Wadham will become. Home.

Now onto the hard part, work. I'll be completely honest, by signing up for Oxford you also signed up for a lot of work. But you're 100% capable of doing it! If you weren't, you wouldn't be here. It'll definitely become manageable as time goes on and as you get into the swing of it. That said, you will have time for other things. It's possible that this year you won't be spending as much time clubbing as you had wished. But there are so many other things that Wadham and Oxford have got going for them. In college we offer sports, a chance to take part in productions and a chance to attend a variety of talks.

During Freshers' Week there can be a lot of things going on. At the moment, we're not exactly sure what this will look like. Nonetheless, we (as a team) will do everything in our power to make sure you have a lovely time. Though if you need a break, there will always be someone to talk to: online or in person if possible. Also, please don't be afraid to take it easy for a day or two of Freshers' week (in fact I would encourage it). Socialising (at a safe distance) all the time is definitely fun but rest is also important so don't forget about it!

Above all, it is important to remember that Freshers' week isn't the be-all end-all. It's definitely an experience that you'll always remember but there are many more equally exciting experiences which come with Oxford. You're probably feeling a range of emotions at this point in time. Take comfort in the fact that you are going to the best college in the whole uni- and no, I'm not exaggerating. The Freshers' team and I are so excited (literally bursting with anticipation) for your arrival and to help you begin your Wadham journey. There's a Facebook page called "Wadham Freshers 2020" (@wadhamfreshers) which is a great way to communicate with other freshers and other members of the SU before you arrive here. Also, add all of us on Facebook so you can message us if you need and we can get you in touch with all the necessary groups.

Our names on Facebook: Finbar Kneen, Rachel Hart (that's me), Aaron Kai Shankar, Hannah Ashford, Meher Pahuja, Jemima Swain and Stephanie Potts. Add us please!

Well that's all from the Freshers' team for now. Have a great rest of the holiday and see you all soon!

WadhLove,  
rachel xxx





# Welcome to your freshers' team!

**Finbar Kneen**  
**subject: history and econ**  
**signature piece of clothing: GAP hoodie**  
**comment: 'economics is a license to print money'**  
**dislikes: cheese**

**key personality trait: gives good hugs**  
**likes: WadhBar**  
**thinks anywhere north of Devon is 'the north'**



**Aaron Kai Shankar**  
**Degree: German & Portuguese**  
**Signature outfit: basically anything from all saints (employee perks hb)**  
**Mr President (our Supreme Leader & warden's apprentice)**  
**Superpower: being a geordie <3**  
**Probably blasting 'Losing It' by FISHER**  
**Constitutional King™**  
**Thesp & LAMDA king (has been known to belt 'Suddenly Seymour' in the shower)**

**'it's calm'**  
**unconfirmed whether he actually ever sleeps (but is also entirely functional ??)**  
**consumes buckets of yogurt & granola (90% yogurt, 10% granola)**



**BIOLOGY**  
**Jemima Swain <3**  
**superpower: craft QUEEN, can make a red carpet bop lewk in 10 mins**  
**token STEM friend**  
**can bring anyone back from the post bop dead w tea and bics**  
**substitute for a personality: angelic country bumpkin energy. lives in a village w 10 people**  
**"gUr!!!!11112"**  
**everyone wants to marry her**





**RACHEL HART**  
**degree: PPE (duh)**  
**#justiceforgingers**  
**ready to debate always**  
**superpower: smol™**  
**"If you're not wearing red and a miniskirt are you even Rachel?"**  
**not a libdem anymore i swear**  
**"I've only had twelve red spark"**  
**key personality trait: Bisexual**



**Meher Pahuja**  
**degree: Law**  
**signature item of clothing: black puffer jacket bc she's always cold**  
**key personality trait: throwing peace signs**  
**will read your tarot**  
**superpower: hosting the best film nights watching trashy romance "for the plot"**  
**runs exclusively on GMT+0.4**




**hannah ashford**  
**degree: ppe**  
**women's weightlifting**  
**signature item: cool jumpers/ long sleeve shirts of any variety**  
**anti-ppe stereotype in a nutshell (still a fan of facemasks)**  
**less obnoxious than fin about coming from devon**  
**no sheet singers !!!!! voice of an angel**  
**is a fan of big hills**  
**always on hand with tea**



**Steph Potts**  
**degree: History (but mostly welfare)**  
**aka: Welfare Angel**  
**pls talk to her if you need any thing (she's the best around)**  
**signature outfit: the dressinggown**  
**weirdly small feet**  
**always wearing a turtle neck and a wadham jumper**  
**she's northern have you heard?**  
**the most wholesome person alive no contest**  
**Staircase 26 4 lyle**



# Your Student Union

As a new Wadham undergraduate, you're automatically part of **Wadham's Student Union**, or SU, which is distinct from the university-wide Union and encompasses both JCR (undergrad body) and MCR (postgrad body): if you get involved in politics at all, want to organise something in College, or are simply interested in improving the student experience / contributing to the Wadham community, it will more than likely be through the SU. This guide will be full of little **introductions to the officers and reps who make up the committee**, and what's nice about having an active College-based union is that you will end up knowing these people quite well and (hopefully!) find them super friendly and approachable. We encourage everyone to submit motions and to take part in the democracy (we LOVE democracy). **Meetings are every other Sunday at 3pm and come resplendent with free pizza and snacks (if in person)** – so you can feed not only your aching desire for radical student-led change but your hungover body. Anyway, here's your President and Vice President (VP):

## President

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Hey everyone! I'm Aaron (he/him), President of Wadham SU for 2020/21. I'm a second-year student reading German and Portuguese, and I basically act as the messenger between College's governance and the student body as a whole – as well as the rest of Wadham's wonderful staff. If you have any issues with the way College runs things, or need a point of contact to anyone within the SU or the college management, that's me! If you have any good ideas to improve college, I can help with that too! I'll be at every SU meeting, and I also run the Wadham SU twitter (@WadhamSU) if you want to get in touch. Feel free to add me on Facebook – Aaron Kai Shankar – or email me at [su.president@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.president@wadham.ox.ac.uk)

## Vice President

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Hi! I'm Uri (he/him), a second-year Physicist and your Wadham SU Vice President for next year. My main job is to assist the President in all his tasks and responsibilities, as well as acting as press officer for our SU. I also liaise between Wadham SU and Oxford SU, the university-wide student union, mainly by attending Student Council meetings. I know that the SU can be super confusing at first, so please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, want to get involved or come along to an Oxford SU meeting, as I am happy to answer any question you have, both SU and non-SU related.



# Freshers' 101

## Things to do before freshers' week begins

[we number the weeks here - get used to hearing 1st week, 2nd week etc. Freshers' is the week before term starts, known as 0th Week. Oh and to make things more confusing weeks begin on Sunday :)]

- Follow us on Instagram @WadhamFreshers2020 AND join the **Freshers' Group** page on Facebook: [fb.me/wadhamfreshers](https://fb.me/wadhamfreshers)
- Set up your Oxford University **email account** (nexus email). Try and do this as soon as possible because emails are always the best source of information and you'll need it ready to sign up to lots of exciting mailing lists (and contact your tutors!) in Freshers'. If you think you'll be rubbish at remembering to log into and check another account, you can adjust settings so that everything from your nexus account is forwarded onto your normal account, which saves a lot of time and means you have all your emails in one place.
- Check requirements and the process for logging onto **eduroam** (the wifi) when you arrive, at <https://cat.eduroam.org/>. Normally we say not to bother until you're actually here, but it can be really annoying trying to get online and register before you have connection, so having an account in advance. (This saves a huge load of stress. All the instructions are in this booklet on page 35.)

## Things to do on arrival

- **Parking** – if you arrive by car at a busy time, parking can be a bit limited, but there are spaces available directly outside the college on Parks Road and round the corner on Mansfield and Savile Road. If you get a half-hour permit from the Lodge, it might work best to just get all your stuff out of the car and inside the college entrance before moving the car and then trudging everything up to your room in your own time (the logistic reality of having a top-floor room sinks in quite quickly).
- Find your way to **your room**. The Porters will give you a room number and key and you will be given directions to your room. The freshers' team will be around to assist as much as possible with social distancing.
- **Unpacking!** Get out your toothbrush, your pyjamas, your charger, and maybe try to sort out your duvet and sheets while your parents are around to give you a hand. But if you're stressed about getting out to meet people or you've arrived late in the day, don't worry about trying to get everything perfectly laid out and your photos exquisitely collaged on your pinboard: if you have the time and it will help you calm down, by all means set all your stuff out, but trust that there will be a good lull later on in which to get your room looking beaut and everything in order.



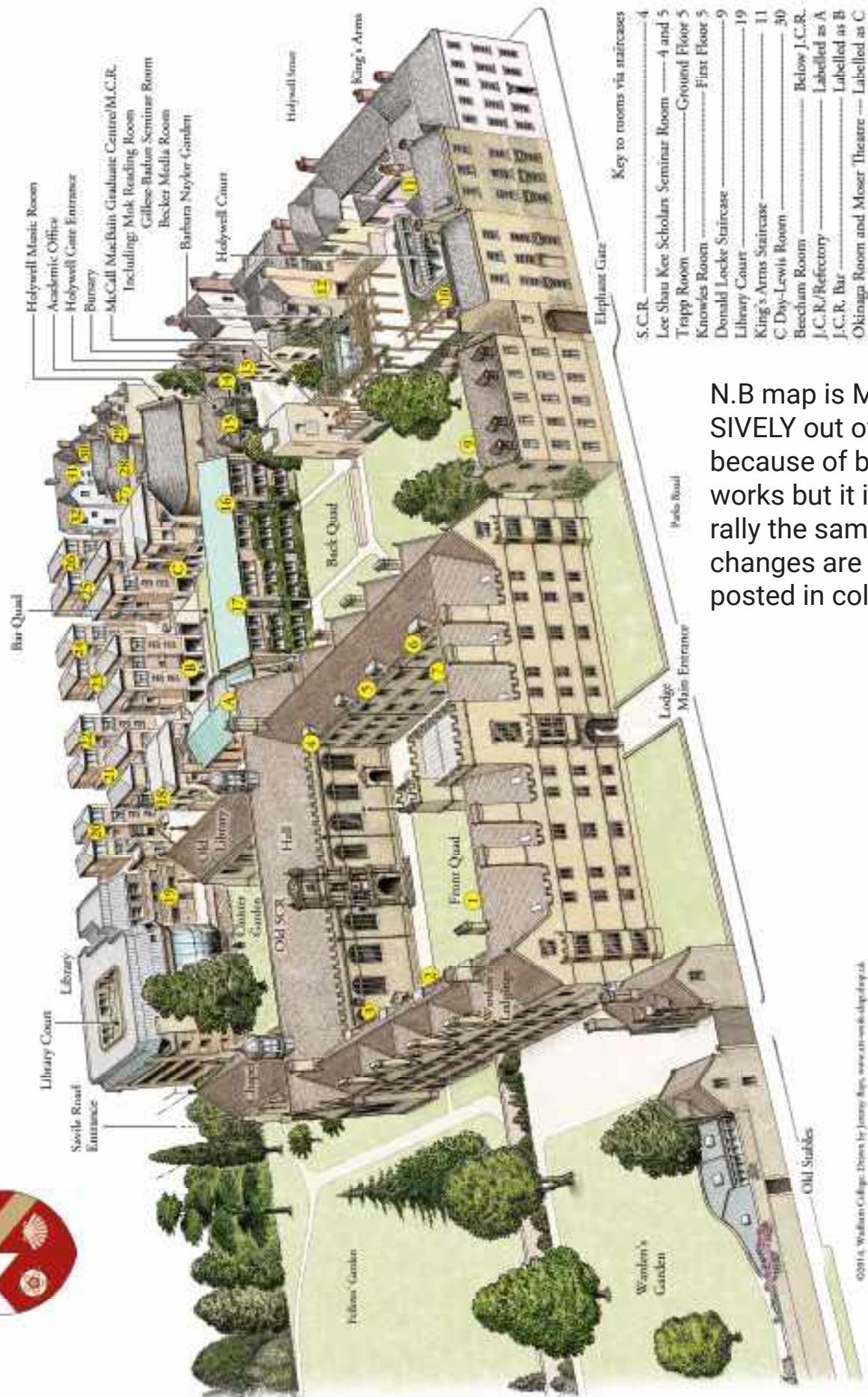
## After arrival...

- **Sort out that Wi-Fi** once and for all – this is where that helpful advance registration for eduroam comes in handy. Eduroam is equipped in almost all colleges and libraries, so once you're on the system you'll be saving a lot of mobile data. (As a side note, you're very likely saying eduroam wrong). You can also get online using an Ethernet cable. College does not provide these, so if you want to use one remember to bring your own.
- **Find the Freshers' reps** (and any other Wadhamites) on Facebook and add them. We're desperate for that extra boost on our profiles, but more importantly we're a really easy and accessible port of call for all of your Freshers' Week enquiries, even if it's as simple as checking what time lunch is on. A heads up also: Oxford is fairly Facebook dependent, as a way of setting up and marketing events, organising groups, etc. probably because it's easier to find people by name than ask for the number of every new acquaintance, and this means that a Facebook account is fairly essential, annoying as that might be. It might be worth just making a basic profile if you don't have one (not necessarily in your full name – plenty of weird fb nicknames abound).
- **Find your way around Oxford.** By this I mean working out where all the essentials are in college, like laundry, library, gardens, Moser Theatre, hall and Holywell Gate, but also venturing out into the big bad world. Don't worry about straying too far in 0th week – there will be plenty going on in college to occupy you, and you just want to have an idea where Tesco is and a general idea of where your department and libraries are. Make sure to find out what "Cowley" and "Jericho" mean later on, though.

Once you've located Tesco, **go for a food shop**. Stock up on your favourite snacks and fruit (no scurvy in Bowra please) and the basics for your kitchen – grab washing-up supplies. You'll likely need to have your own individual washing up supplies for at least the beginning of the year.
- **Complete a gym induction** if you want access to the college gym. At the moment, it is uncertain as to whether the gyms will be open. Usually inductions are run at the beginning of term (you can always ask for one if you decide a few weeks on to use the gym – it is fairly basic, with weights and an exercise bike). There is a larger university gym on Iffley Road, but membership to this is paid per term or year so you want to be sure you'll get use out of it! In the time of COVID-19, it's uncertain as to exactly what this will look like.
- **Get a bike** if you think you will need one, i.e. if you plan to row or think you will like the freedom of cycling a bit further out on the regular. If you do get a bike, work out where to keep it (probably Wadham gardens, so you'll need a cover to prevent rust) and make sure you have a lock, lights and helmet.



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N.B map is MASSIVELY out of date because of building works but it is generally the same and changes are sign-posted in college.

# Packing Checklist

## essentials

- ☐ Duvet and pillow
- ☐ Bed linen
- ☐ Driver's license/other ID
- ☐ Towels
- ☐ Toiletries

## domestic

- ☐ Plates, bowls, mugs and glasses
- ☐ Cutlery
- ☐ Frying pan (INDUCTION)
- ☐ Saucepan (INDUCTION)
- ☐ Colander
- ☐ Sharp knife
- ☐ Washing up liquid and sponges
- ☐ Tea towels
- ☐ Laundry bag
- ☐ Washing detergent
- ☐ Hair dryer
- ☐ Kettle
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Bottle opener or corkscrew
- ☐ Music speakers

## work

- ☐ Pens and pencils
- ☐ Notebooks and paper
- ☐ Files and folders
- ☐ Course books (if you already have some)

## clothes

- ☐ Casual wear
- ☐ Pyjamas
- ☐ Some formal/evening wear
- ☐ Shoes (formal and casual)
- ☐ Sportswear

## admin

- ☐ Driver's' license/other ID
- ☐ Passport photos
- ☐ Student finance information
- ☐ Bank details

## food

- ☐ Dried pasta
- ☐ Fruit
- ☐ Cereal
- ☐ Bread
- ☐ Pasta sauces
- ☐ Favourite snacks

## electronics

- ☐ Chargers
- ☐ Laptop
- ☐ Music speakers

# Accommodation

## rooms

Everyone is allocated a room according to their answers on the **room survey** which should be sent out to you soon. It's real people working through the questionnaire, not a computer programme allocating, and we know the little quirks of each part of college and what might suit different needs, so do feel free to write as much as you want in your answers – especially if you're concerned about some aspect of living in particular. Rooms are arranged in **staircases** rather than flats, which tend to be very social, and some in the Bowra building even share a balcony across. Most people live in single rooms, with a bed, lamp, wardrobe, storage space, desk, fridge, sink, mirror, and at least one chair; all the rooms are pretty spacious, and most people settle in quite happily. You might end up in a "shared" room between two (you can say whether you would / wouldn't mind this on your questionnaire), but it doesn't mean you share a whole room, just that you have a smaller bedroom connected to a larger shared living area. A lot of the precise details are unknown at the moment due to COVID-19.

## battels

Battels is just a weird Oxford word for the **fees** you pay to college every term, which includes your rent, food and extra levies to the SU, etc. You'll get an invoice and emails reminding you to pay, which you can do online.

## kitchens

Most staircases contain a communal kitchen, although these are fairly small and not extensively equipped: if you have a kitchen it will have a toaster, a kettle, a microwave, and a hob. **MAKE SURE TO BUY INDUCTION PANS.** There's also a larger JCR kitchen and one by Holywell which you can use if you don't have one in your staircase, but if cooking for yourself (rather than eating in refec) is a priority, make sure to note it in your questionnaire

## laundry

The machines in the laundry rooms are due to be relocated this year, as result of the building and renovation work going on in college, but they will be available for all students to use – washing and drying each cost £1.25, which you pay for with your bank card. College doesn't provide detergent and softener, so make sure to get some before your laundry situation becomes dire.

## moving in and out

One thing that is quite annoying about living in college is that you have to move all of your stuff in and out of your room in between each term. You get storage boxes in college, though (more if you're international) and can apply for vacation residence to stay longer / come back earlier as it suits you.



## Staff Liason Officer

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Hello! It is me, Karan (he/him). I am also the Staff Liaison Officer of Wadham SU 2020/2021! My role is to create cool ways for staff and students to interact and grow more fond of each other, voice staff worries and improve staff conditions, encourage dialogue between students and staff and to work with the Oxford Worker Justice team to fight for the Oxford living wage for all staff members.

If you have anything you'd like to talk to me about or just want to ask me something feel free!! My full name is Karan Ruparell (for the facebook)



# Food

Wadham provides breakfast and lunch (more colloquially known as 'clunch' – a shortening of 'college lunch'). They are served only in the New Refectory (a kind of canteen/cafeteria) and are pay-as-you-go via money on your bodcard. Dinner is provided Monday-Friday and is served in two sittings, the first in the New Refectory, and the second in Wadham's historic dining hall (the novelty does wear off, but it's fun for birthdays, etc. – you can bring your own wine!). There will be either a starter and a main or a main and a dessert every night. If you choose to eat 'in Hall', the courses will be brought out separately, whereas at Refec, both of the courses will be given to you at once. You do not need to wear formal clothes or your gown if you want to eat in Hall. As with a lot of this year's itinerary - this system has yet to be tried in a COVID-19 world. We hope it will look like this:

## MONDAY - FRIDAY

08:15 to 09:00 (breakfast - New Refectory)

12:30 to 13:15 (lunch - New Refectory)

18:00 to 18:45 (dinner – New Refectory)

19:00 onwards (dinner – Hall)

## Saturdays and Sundays

11:00 to 13:00 (brunch – New Refectory)

Your bodcard will be pre-credited at the beginning of Michaelmas Term with £100 (for lunch/breakfast/dinner), which will be charged to your 'battels' (what you pay termly for your rent & food at college). You can see and top up this balance online on the Meal Booking System (MBS). The MBS allows you to book in or out of dinner online. You input dietary requirements on the MBS – all meals have a meat, vegetarian and vegan option and you can make other dietary specifications on MBS (halal, dairy free, gluten free, etc). If you wish to book out of a meal, you must do so before 10am on the day. If you forget to book out before 10am then you will have to pay for the meal.

Aside from brunch, college does not provide any meals at the weekend. Most staircases in college have a kitchen you can use at any time (not just the weekends) and the SU has its own kitchen (in a temporary facility due to building works). Many students also choose to get food from town on the weekends (check out the \*cheap food place in Oxford\* section for some recommendations from other Wadhamites).

Overall, keep in mind that catering and food at Oxford is quite different from at other universities. Also bear in mind this may all be different as a result of the pandemic. You will probably find that you will eat dinner, and perhaps lunch, in college most days. While it is helpful to bring some cooking equipment with you, it is important to know that student kitchen facilities at Wadham are quite limited and you will probably rarely end up cooking (although those who do prefer to cook all or the majority of their meals tend to find it manageable – just slightly annoying not to have easy access ovens). But fear not – food at Wadham is great and meals are really fun, sociable points in the day.



## cheap food options

Dinner isn't offered at weekends. If you want to go out, but want to save your pound\$, here are some of the places you can eat for a similar price:

### Pizza stazione

Located in Gloucester Green, offers 12 inch pizzas and a drink for £5.50 every day of the week. You could also spend an extra pound and get massive 14 inch pizza which could last you for two meals

### Leon

On Cornmarket Street. Is super lovely, and provides great fast food options that are healthy, especially for veggies and vegans.

### The Alternative Tuck Shop

Commonly known as ATS this shop does a huge range of sandwiches, wraps, paninis and bagels, all at very reasonable prices (under £4.50). The queue always stretches out the door but moves really quickly. And just around the corner from college! - They only take card when you buy something that costs more £5.00, so always remember to take cash with you!!!

### Gloucester Green market

Open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am to 4pm, and on Saturdays from 10am to 5pm  
There are plenty of food stalls, so it's a great lunch spot if you're in the mood for something a little different.

### Najars

This is a great falafel wrap stall right outside St. Johns College (Opposite the Taylorian). This is a great shop to visit if you're having a busy day as they have a variety of quick cheap options. They only take cash tho so always remember to carry it with you to this shop.

### itsu/wasabi

Watch out for that sweet, sweet half-price sushi half an hour before close (9.30pm for itsu and 10pm for wasabi). Very much worth the wait, the value for money and knowledge that you're preventing food waste make for a delicious and

guilt-free dinner .

### Hassans

Maybe it's 2am, and you're stumbling back from Parky. Maybe you really have to finish that essay tonight. Maybe you're just craving chips, cheese and chicken strips. Either way, Hassan's is there for you. Open from 7pm until 4am, Hassan's is a massive part of Wadham culture. It's also undoubtedly the best kebab van in the city by a mile (it's been nominated for national awards – and, most importantly, has its own Instagram account). It's so big in Oxford that they actually sell their own merchandise!!!

### Tesco meal deal

If you've spent a lot of money this week, or if you really wanna save money for a new pair of shoes, pop by Tesco and pick up a sandwich, crisps and a drink for just £3.00 (They have so many options that you'll never get bored). If you fancy having something hot just pick up a ready meal £3/£3.50.

### UniDays

Unlike the rest of the above options this one is an app. Download it and login with your uni email to unlock multiple discounts. They provide you with discounts in a variety of shops (not just food but also clothes, shoes, sports shops etc.) some of these discounts are mouth-watering like a 50% off on pizzas and pasta in Bella Italia from Mondays to Thursdays or a 3 pound burger meal in Burger King. It's also practically no hassle to download it.

# Academic Life

Another big reality of Oxford life is the academic workload, and the fact that you're here to gain an education (and a degree). Oxford's reputation as a powerhouse can be intimidating, but it's important to remember that if you've been given a place, you are capable and deserving. Academic work doesn't need to be a stressful / worrying part of your life – you should enjoy it!

Come October, you might still feel out of your depth for a bit – and again, this is perfectly normal. Most Oxford students arrive having been top-performers all of their lives, and suddenly being surrounded by equally talented peers (and a very vigorous style of teaching) can take an adjustment. The courses are designed so that you can never “complete” a subject; there's always more that could be done, more to be understood, and that's so your tutors can continually challenge you, not so that you feel you have to master everything. Remember that your college parents are an excellent source of advice about the first year workload, and that they will be very willing to reassure you if you're worried (we've all had a crisis at some point and doubted our abilities / felt swamped by work). Feeling a bit wobbly in Michaelmas is to be expected, and as you won't have exams till the end of Hilary at the earliest (and these won't count toward your final degree) it isn't something to worry about.

Your basic timetable will vary quite a bit depending on your subject: science students will have lab sessions most days and more 9am starts, arts students fewer contact hours and more flexible lecture times, and language students a mid-way between the two, with a fair amount of classes (particularly for languages studied ab initio).

All subjects have tutorials, however, which tend to be the most important points of your week: these are essentially meetings with your tutor and one or a couple other students to talk through work you've submitted that week (normally an essay or problem sheet). Having regular, extended time with your tutor face-to-face means they have a good idea of where you are, and makes falling behind difficult. It gives you the opportunity to guide your work towards areas of your interest, ask all the weird questions that bug you, and also to develop a good working relationship with your tutor. Most are very understanding about occasional stresses / requests for extensions, but it's important you submit work on time and communicate with them to get the most out of your teaching.

Remember that a good academic routine is about balance – find something you love doing in your spare time, and do it: play a sport, audition for a play, or just put aside time each week to relax with friends. You'll work better and feel better if work isn't all that you're doing.



## Academic and Careers Officer

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Hey! My name is Sofia (she/her) and I'm your Academic and Careers Officer!!! I'm the main point of contact between the SU and college on all things A&C. I also liaise with the Careers Service (part of the wider Oxford SU). This mostly entails advertising their events to the SU, and signposting people to their services re internships and career events. Hit me up at any point for all things AC concerning. Hope you have a brilliant rest of the summer!

# Oxford Libraries

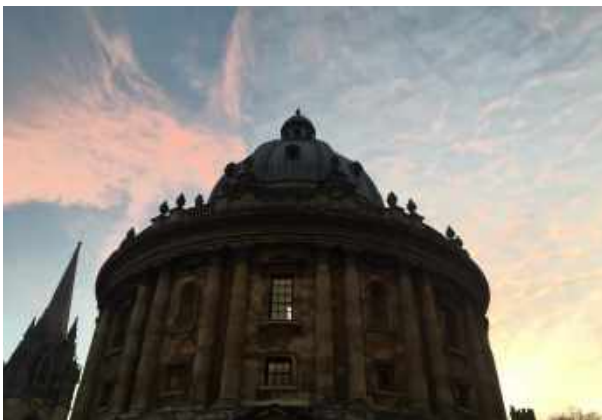
Behold, a list of spaces for the doing of aforementioned work. Once again... we are unsure as to how these working spaces will operate at the beginning of term. College and the university more broadly will let us know closer to the time. You can always stay in your room – they all contain large desks and plenty of drawer space and tend to be quite quiet compared to other university halls – but you might prefer to head to a library to get you in the zone. And to be fair, Oxford does have some incredible gems, which you can gain access to as a student (so worth going even if only to gawp at the ceiling a few times and say you've made the most of your 9 grand). If you don't end up at your faculty's library, e.g. the English Faculty Library for English honours, you might want to try one of these...

## wadham's own

The affectionately termed "wadlib" is a 24/7 modern library, with plenty of quiet workspace, a comfy beanbag area and group discussion room.

It's in the centre of college, right next to Bowra, where most of you will be living, which means it's perfect for a 3am essay panic (there is NO shame in going in your pyjamas and dressing gown).

You'll have an induction in freshers to show you around and set the ground rules, and you'll be thinking of it as your local in no time.



## the bodleian

Technically all of the libraries in Oxford are part of the Bodleian system, but "the bod" is the square building at the end of Broad Street with lower and upper reading rooms. It's very useful in terms of opening hours and with its high, airy ceilings forms a great place to work, around the corner from Wadham. Don't be intimidated by the waves of tourists or confused by the many entrances, because once you've found your way in you might just become a regular.

## radcliffe camera ("radcam")

This is the beautiful domed building which adorns every prospectus / bus route / tourist pamphlet you've ever seen of Oxford. It is, possibly, even more beautiful inside than outside, and has an incredibly focused atmosphere: very good if you want to get into the historic-studious-Oxford-mindset.

honourable mentions:

### THE GLADSTONE LINK

(a space-age underground reading room),

**the WESTON library** and

**the TAYLORIAN**, as well as

**the Oxford Foundry** – not technically a library but a nice relaxed alternative. It's an open-plan working space set up near Bridge nightclub which you can register with for membership; it has free hot drinks, a little kitchenette, and very reasonable opening hours.

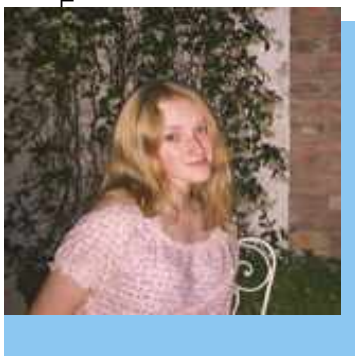
# Welfare at Wadham

Oxford is a naturally stressful place at times, and there's no getting around the intense workload and what can be quite an intense lifestyle (cramming everything into 8 week terms requires a fair bit of stamina!). Everyone finds themselves slightly overwhelmed or homesick at some point, and whether you want to chat to someone about that or need support for something outside of uni life, something more serious, or something long-running, or anything at all, really, NO problem is too small, Wadham has an incredible system in place to meet the needs of each and every student:

Wadham's welfare system is one of its most special features. We have a network of wonderful people in college who will be there to support you from the start of your degree to the end of it! For a cup of tea and a chit chat, accessing college-provided contraception, or as a first port of call for where to get more support from, then your SU welfare team is the way to go. For student-student confidential advice we have our wonderfully trained Peer Supporters. For any other problems or queries, (academic, social, or personal) then our Welfare Advisor (Annie), the Chaplain (Jane), and the Nurse (Carolyn) are in college during the week and contactable by email. We also have spaces like the Snug and the Welfare bedrooms which you will be shown during a tour in your first week. Meet the team!



## Welfare Officers <3



Heya, I'm Clare (she/her), I'm a third year studying English, and I'm so excited to be your Welfare Officer at the start of this REALLY WEIRD year! I help oversee the team, liaise with college, and communicate welfare events and resources with the students. We've been doing our best to adapt to the obstacles that Miss Rona has thrown our way; the transition to Ox-ford is stressful enough - a whole pandemic takes that to a shiny brand new level. Please know that you WILL be okay and we are here for you, whatever the weather. If you want a friendly face to talk/vent to at any time, drop me/any of the team a message ;)) We can hope-fully see you in person (from a distance) very soon xx

I'm Becca (she/her), and I'm in my second year of studying human sciences. My individual role within the team is to organise free yoga sessions for student welfare within the college; whether you are an experienced yogi or have never ever tried it before I defo recommend coming along for a stretch and bit of relaxation- plus Mariella the yoga teacher is an absolute sweetheart! Apart from yoga, I love getting involved in college netball, our awesome zumba classes and going out for a boogie whenever possible (bridge is the best, anyone who disa-grees is just wrong). Please come to us/ send us a message if you are feeling sad, alone or scared at any point during your time at Wadham. I'm sure you'll find, as I have, that this place is full of lovely, kind and approachable people, but starting at university can be daunting for everyone, so please know we are here for you <3







Hello all !! I'm Steph (she/her), I'm a second year historian, and I'm one of your welfare reps (alongside these gorgeous humans)! As well as the yoga classes mentioned by Becca, I help to organise free zumba classes led by the wonderful Rhiannon (I'll probably post about it a lot on Facebook... sorry in advance). But I'm also here to support you in any way that I can; if you're in need of a chat (about anything!), or fancy a (socially distanced!) walk in University Parks or Christ Church Meadow (a personal favourite of mine), then do not hesitate to reach out. Wadham is a wonderful, open and inclusive community, and we cannot wait for you to join us !

Hi everyone, hope you're having a great summer! I'm George (he/him), I'm in my second year of studying maths, and I'm on this year's welfare team. Wadham is an amazing place to be, but Oxford terms can get a bit intense at times and we hope that we can at least be a few friendly faces to chat to whenever you like. I hope you're excited about coming to uni, can't wait to meet you!



## Other Points of Contact

Our trained Peer Supporters will introduce themselves and be in touch during freshers but, if you are looking for support that isn't student-led, you can talk to the Welfare Advisor, Annie Lawson. She is wonderful and you can email her at [welfare.advisor@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:welfare.advisor@wadham.ox.ac.uk) to arrange a time to meet.

You can also get in touch with the College Chaplain, Rvd. Jane Baun on [chaplain@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:chaplain@wadham.ox.ac.uk). Jane is not only responsible for the Chapel and religious affairs, but is trained in listening and counselling, and provides a safe and non-judgemental space for all students at Wadham.

Some other welfare events organised by college include **Yoga** and **Zumba**. These activities are free and usually happen once a week, COVID-19 allowing. Exercise is a really great way to relieve stress, and it's really fun!

There are also lots of staff members that you can talk to if you have had a specific problem or a bad encounter at University that needs to be resolved. Here are some of the people you can get in touch with:

- Wadham's **Harrassment Advisors** can be contacted for advice on any experiences of harassment you have had: **Jane Baun** [jane.baun@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:jane.baun@wadham.ox.ac.uk) , Jane Griffiths [jane.griffiths@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:jane.griffiths@wadham.ox.ac.uk), Susan Lea [susan.lea@path.ox.ac.uk](mailto:susan.lea@path.ox.ac.uk)
- The **Tutor for Women**: **Susan Lea**
- The **Tutor for Race** is Alfonso Castrejón-Pita, and can be contacted at [alfonso.castrejon-pita@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:alfonso.castrejon-pita@wadham.ox.ac.uk)
- The **Tutor for Equality and Diversity**: **Philip Bullock** [philip.bullock@ox.ac.uk](mailto:philip.bullock@ox.ac.uk)

Further details about all of the support that is available to you can be found on the Wadham website: <https://www.wadham.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare>.

## Women's\* Officers

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We're Lisa and Leah, the representatives for women and non-binary (NB) people at Wadham. The core elements of our role are looking after the welfare of women and NB people at Wadham and advocating for gender equality in Wadham and at a university-wide level. We run the reimbursements scheme for period products and emergency contraception, maintain the Women's room at Wadham, and run socials and events for International Women's Day. Our personal goals for the role include building the personal and academic confidence of women and NB people, collaborating with other liberation officers to promote intersectionality and make Wadham a welcoming space for everyone, and contributing to the fight against sexual violence and combatting its chronic under-reporting. Approach us with any concerns relating to women and NB people at Wadham – we and River (the Trans Officer) are your first points of contact if you experience or observe instances of gender-based discrimination/harassment. Please also come to us with any suggestions about how to make Wadham and Oxford as a whole a better place for women and NB people!



# Nice Things to Do in Oxford

One of the most important parts of adjusting to Oxford life is finding your way around and working out some less intense, more relaxing things to do in the city. Take advantage of being in such a beautiful place and take some time for yourself and your friends (that isn't cramming in the library or getting legless on a night out). Once again - please observe the required social distancing as the second years cannot stomach the thought of another term online.

## punting

An Oxford staple, and something to be tried at least once \*post pandemic\*. Actually quite wonderful in the sunshine with pals, although trickier to get the hang of than you might expect. Wander down to the right-hand side of Magdalen Bridge toward Cowley and you'll find punts ready for hire – consider bringing speakers and a few beers to liven up the afternoon, or just soak up the tranquil, period-drama vibes.

## ice cream

Famous and delicious ice cream, waffles, cakes and coffee: G+Ds (George and Delilah's) has three branches in Oxford and is very popular among students. Open during the day for a lunchtime treat and late into the evening for when you fancy a night-time walk, it's a cheery little stop whenever you go.

## museums and theatres

- The Ashmolean – a fantastic museum always putting on new exhibitions. Not an overwhelming size but definitely big enough for there to be something which will interests you (from Ancient Egyptian and Islamic art to the contemporary work of Jeff Koons).
- The Natural History Museum and Pitt Rivers Museum – very close to Wadham and where a few first-year lectures take place. Very 'Night at the Museum' (2006).
- Museum of the History of Science – where the humanities and the sciences meet here on Broad Street! This place displays a collection of scientific objects including early microscopes, astrological instruments, Marconi radios, and penicillin research slides. Get excited.
- Duke Humphrey's Library and The Divinity School – not reaaaaally a museum or theatre BUT they filmed Harry Potter in these places a few times so any big/medium fans may enjoy a look!

- The Sheldonian Theatre – where classical music lives. The Oxford University Orchestra (and many others) play their concerts here. ProTip: be sure to use your student discounts on concert tickets here.
- Also be on the lookout for student theatre showing in places such as the Oxford Playhouse, Michael Pilch Studio, and Burton Taylor Studio... to name a few...

## pubs - pre COVID list

- Turf Tavern – pub just below New College tower and probably one of Oxford's best kept secrets (virtually no tourists) with a fantastic atmosphere every night. Can be expensive but don't let this put you off paying a visit.
- Kings Arms – the salmon-pink pub which adjoins – and therefore completes – Wadham. Good luck trying to name all the straight white men and Rugby teams hanging on the wall in here. Still, there's nothing quite like the novelty of having one of Oxford's busiest and most well-known pubs outside your very front door.
- Wadham Bar: The Mothership! – You'll be around here a lot for bops, bar quizzes, and crew dates (etc...) so get used to basking in its rainbow-lit interior. Maybe try our resident cocktails the Nick and the Dorothy?
- Spoons a.k.a. The Four Candles a.k.a. What Dreams Are Made Of – cheap drinks & good times who dis? (18+ only)



## cafés

Sometimes the library can be a bit intense, and if you're feeling claustrophobic Ox has so many great cafes to work in. The Pret on Cornmarket is beaut, with a big airy upstairs section and yum vegan snax. Society Cafe is a bit spenny BUT they serve you tea with hourglass timers which is cool I guess. Common Ground cafe is a bit further out but very hipster. No chairs, only empty crate boxes and rusting bicycle seats. Good if you want to impress ur date with sustainable resources. Missing Bean cafe on Turl Street. I once spilled my flat white all over the barista and he didn't even react. Small and cute with good brownies but gets a bit intense when crowded.



## christ church meadow

Ask your rowing friends where to find this one, but honestly make a point of locating it for yourself, because once you've been for a post-collections picnic (or a post-collections skinny dip – and maybe even caught yourself an anonymous Oxlove in the process) you'll realise how close by and picturesque this slice of the river is.



## port meadow

Just out past Jericho, at the end of the canal path, and a wonderful, wonderful discovery when you make it. Those of us who only make it out properly in Trinity (summer term) kick ourselves, because this is a genuinely breath-taking stretch of countryside just minutes from the bustle of Oxford centre (somewhere which even the buzziest Wadhamites can at times find claustrophobic / need a break from). The rolling meadows make a beautiful walk all year round, and in summer the river becomes the perfect spot for a dip (you're also less likely to be hit by angry rowers in training than at Christ Church meadows).



## university parks

The nearest stretch of green to college – literally just a few minutes from the Porter's Lodge. Really convenient to go for a picnic or a run or a wander, even mid-essay crisis, or just as a way to wind down before dinner: closer than Port Meadow but still great to clear your head and get a half hour's exercise in.

## botanical gardens

Beautiful gardens and greenhouses full of rare and wonderful plants. @thebiologists form an orderly queue.



# LGBTQIA+

## LGBTQIA+ Officers

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Hiya! We're Aleisha (she/her) and Rosa (she/her): your LGBTQIA+ officers this year! We're very excited to welcome you to the LGBTQIA+\* community here!

Wadham has a very supportive and strong LGBTQIA+ community, feel free to get as involved as you'd like! We put on many welfare and social events in freshers and throughout the year. We'll also be hosting Queer Week at some point during the year, which will be a lively platform for

speakers, discussions and creativity. Additionally, there are loads of uni-wide LGBTQIA+ events and campaigns to explore beyond college.

We're here whenever you want to chat about student life, your identity, or any issues you may be facing, and can also signpost you to the various other sources of support. You can find us around college or email us at [su.lgbtq@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.lgbtq@wadham.ox.ac.uk): feel free to contact us before you get here!

\*Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Asexual/Aromantic. The + is for all the identities the acronym can't quite cover.

## Trans Officer

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Hi, I'm River (he/him), your trans officer this year! I am here to support all trans, non-binary, and gender non-conforming students of Wadham, whether you'd like a chill chat, some advice, or help with anything gender related!

As the Trans Officer, I'm in charge of the transition fund, which reimburses prescriptions, transition items, travel costs to GIC, etc. I also run welfare events for the trans and wider LGBT community in Wadham, and organise Queer Week in collaboration with the LGBT officers; if you want to see any events happen (eg. film nights, arts & crafts sessions), just let me know! I'm a point of contact for any issues or questions about gender, so please come to me if you want a chat over tea or coffee, or just find me around college — I will probably be lurking around the Classics section in the wadlib or at Jane's chapel teas making trans positive stickers.

Get in touch anytime (email or fb messenger - whatever you're most comfortable with) if you have any worries, or need help figuring out admin (eg. changing your name or email address); I'm here to make your transition to university life as smooth & easy as possible :^)



# POCRE

## Pocre Officers

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Hi, our names are Laila (she/her) and Keisha (she/her), your POC officers this year. Our main role is helping out all students who identify as a POC in college, be that helping you to get used to Wadham life, hosting events targeted at POC students or just being people you can chat to - whatever you need, we're here! I can't wait to meet all of you; we will still make Freshers lit even in the midst of a pandemic. See you in October. x

Wadham's people of colour are a really supportive community, so feel free to get as involved as you'd like. We also hold an annual **Race Symposium**, something that we'd love any interested freshers to get involved with as soon as you arrive.

If you're interested in **poc activism or race issues in Oxford**, there are so many ways to get involved – Common Ground is the student race and class movement that aims to platform discussions on this all important intersection, whilst the Afro Caribbean Society, ISOC, PAK-SOC, HUMSOC, OUKHS and more are all big families here to help you make Oxford your own. There is also Women of Colour Chat and Chill, around twice a term, to provide a sweet welfare space for those who need it, and as a way to meet new people you might never have spoken to otherwise! There are s o m a n y different **social events** – ACS club nights, Bollywood club nights, communal iftar and more, it's honestly so easy to get stuck in and party, but if you do face any challenges, know that we were in your position not so long ago and will always be on hand to have a chat! Also, join the Wadham BME page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/327744910987897/>.

# Access

## Access Officer

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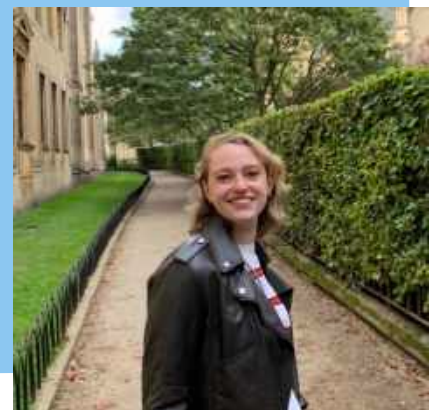
Hi, I'm Helen (she/her), and I'm your Access Officer for the upcoming year! My role is all about increasing the diversity of the Wadham student body, as well as providing support for students from non-traditional "Oxford" backgrounds who are already here. As you have probably read in the news, Oxford has a privilege problem; it's getting slowly better, but things aren't moving fast enough. I understand the feelings of isolation or imposter syndrome that can arise when you are thrown in at the cultural deep end. It's important to know that you are never alone in feeling like this, and things definitely do get better - like many others, I really believe that Wadham can become a second home for anyone of any background.

Wadham takes its access work very seriously, so it's a great place to get involved as a student ambassador and help with tours, open days and interviews (including some opportunities for paid work over the vac). We'll be offering student ambassador training hopefully sometime in Michaelmas term, which I encourage everyone to sign up for. I personally have found it so rewarding and a key part of my first year experience, so don't feel afraid to get stuck in!

## Charities Officer

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Hi, I'm Rebecca (she/her) and I'm this year's Charities Officer! My job is to engage Wadham students in supporting local, national, and international charity efforts. I oversee the charities fund created by the charities levy you see on your battels. We use this fund for charitable donations (nominated by students and voted on by the student union) throughout the year. I also organize fundraising events each term, and promote volunteering opportunities. If you have any questions or ideas for charities activities at Wadham, feel free to reach out by email ([su.charities@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.charities@wadham.ox.ac.uk)) or on Facebook.



## Class Officer

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Hey, I'm Alex (he/him), your class officer! I'm here to support any students who are working class or from low income backgrounds. If you ever have any concerns about money or fitting in at uni I'm always up to try and give some advice or just talk about it (a lot of it can be stressful at first, but you'll get the hang of it quickly!). I'm hoping to run some events in your first term to help you get settled in, and I'm always up for suggestions if there's anything which you feel would be helpful. If you want to get in touch you can find me in the library trying to avoid doing a classics degree, or on messenger.

# Sports

**Sports Officer** [su.sports@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.sports@wadham.ox.ac.uk)

Hi, I'm Uma (she/her) and I'm your sports officer this year! Officially, I'm in charge of taking care of the gym and of organising funding for the various sports clubs and teams. Sport is such a great way to really get to know a huge range of people in your first year and I hope to encourage loads of you to get involved at Wadham, even with sports you may never have tried before. Football, netball, darts, weightlifting, cricket and hockey are just a selection of what's on offer to you once you arrive. There is also always the opportunity to propose new sports clubs once you are here and we love hearing new suggestions to help diversify further what we have on offer. So get excited about sport at Wadham and I look forward to meeting you all in Michaelmas Term!



## rowing

Rowing at Wadham is something everyone can get involved in, whether you're looking to paddle round the river in the sun, drink lots of Pimms at summer eights, or take part in legendary Boat Club nights. One thing not to worry about is whether you have done any rowing before, as almost all of us haven't. We have a fab coach who can teach you and you'll be racing against other new rowers within no time, at the yearly Christ Church regatta which is great fun and a chance to show Oxford what Wadham's Freshers are made of. Wadham rowing is very successful; the women have just maintained the headship and the men are climbing places and are now in striking distance of becoming head of the river. We'd love to have new faces in our boat club and your Oxford experience just wouldn't be complete without giving it a go!

## netball

Playing netball is a great way to meet people not just in your year but across the year groups. Wadham has an amazing netball squad, with teams in divisions 1 and 5 meaning anyone of any ability can play at a level that suits them. We usually play one match a week against another college which is such a great outlet from work as well as a chance to get time to hang out as a team. The post match analysis on the walk back (win or lose) has often been better than the game itself.

## football

Wadham currently has three men's teams (of differing qualities) and a women's team (solid quality). There are opportunities for serious playing as well as casual kickabouts - so get involved!

## women's weightlifting

Actually not weightlifting, but powerlifting! We just really love alliteration. We're one of the few colleges to have our own powerlifting club and this is an excellent introduction to strength sports. We've got our own coach who teaches us how to lift each week in a safe environment. Most people who join have never tried it before, and this club usually fares well even for those who consider themselves "not that sporty". WWW is a really friendly and empowering place to give this usually male dominated sport a go!

## OUMMA (Oxford University Mixed Martial Arts)

This is a wonderful way to get healthy, learn self defence and meet the nicest group of people who will grow and develop with you as an athlete and a person. Whether you're there because it's a very delayed new year's resolution or see yourselves as the next budding Ronda Rousey, come on down and take part. You won't regret it!



# Arts

Oxford – and Wadham – is one of the best places to get stuck into all your arty passions, or to try out something completely new in a chill environment. So, whether you're a seasoned singer, want to have a go at acting for the first time, or fancy the look of a life-drawing class, there's nothing stopping you. Creative pursuits are a great stress relief and loads of fun, and there will always be someone in the year above eager to chat to you about it (and possibly recruit you into their next showcase of radical theatre / poetry / music). An especial port of call would be our lovely arts officer:

## Arts Officer [su.arts@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.arts@wadham.ox.ac.uk)



Hi! I'm Isobel (she/her), a second year English student and the SU Arts Officer. I can help you find resources and spaces for arts-related activities and I also run arts events and funding. I'm hoping to get lots of people involved in arts events this year! If you have any arts-related questions please let me know. <3

I also have the very exciting task of organising our Arts Week in Trinity term. This is a week full of arts-based events, and the aim is to represent as many as possible, so please let me know if you have any ideas and would like to join the Arts Week committee! For your own endeavours, we also have the Wadham Arts Fund and the Wadham Drama Society which can offer you grants and loans to financially aid your own projects. If you ever need any support or advice about anything arts-related (not only within Wadham, but also in navigating the entire Oxford scene) then please come and say hi! I'll always be around for tea and chat.

## student journalism

There's so much student journalism at Oxford and it's such a great way to hone editing skills (LinkedIn profiles yee) and get published in PRINT :O

### The ISIS

The world's longest running student publication!! Such a great community with lots of events and meet ups so ur friends more than co-editors or whatever. The ISIS publishes fiction/non-fiction/everything in between and aims to provide just quality reads for everyone that are often pertinent to today's world (e.g whitewashed film industries or women in the professional kitchen). The kind of article u can talk about at dinner when it gets awkward.

### Onyx

Creative magazine which showcases the voices of Black students and creatives with African and Caribbean heritage. A really great publication with killer

content and an important platform.

### Cherwell

Oxford's student newspaper. Rigorously edited and comes out every week. You spend a lot of time with each other so prob friends for life as well!!!! Great if u wanna forget about your degree and pretend you're a real journalist.

### Zines!!!!

Artsy DIY style A5 booklets with a range of mixed media content. Examples include Cuntry Living (for wom\*n); Tongue Ties (language & translations) and Anthroposphere (a climate change review) but more will crop up next year. Zines are really fun to make and read, as well as a great way to platform ur voice in a more chilled out way.

# Big Wadham Events

The first major event of your degree would have been your matriculation. We are very sad that you don't get to experience this. However there will be other opportunities to get kitted out in subfusc (a gown available in a few shops on Broad Street), especially with regard to exams. Below are some other fun things to expect at your time at Wadham!

## Bops

"Bops" (college parties) are held every other weekend at Wadham in the JCR - when safe and legal. There's always a theme and a last minute scuffle to find a related costume (which will involve less and less effort as the year progresses). Wadham students can DJ at bops and there's always bangers aplenty (usually of the school disco variety - but who doesn't love "Come on Eileen"?)

## Wadstock

Wadstock is Wadham's very own music festival, a bizarre hybrid of Glastonbury and a five-year-old's birthday party, which takes over the garden for a marathon twelve hours on a Saturday early into Trinity (summer term). Queerfest's far more chilled Summer counterpart, it represents an excuse to get your flower crown on, your face painted and your clothes bedecked in tie dye. Relatively soon into the afternoon, optimal levels of sunshine, Pimm's and joie de vie are reached, and the dancing begins, lasting well into the night.



## May Day

May Day is an annual celebration of springtime which takes place on May 1st. On the last night of April, clubs around Oxford stay open much later than usual (or so we're told, as our first one was cancelled) and crowds gather at 6am to watch a choir sing in the morning at Magdalen Bridge. There's a few nods to the peculiarities of British tradition, such as Morris Dancing (google it) and college are kind enough to end any hangovers before they begin with breakfast served in the hall.

## Queerfest

Queerfest is the finale of a week-long celebration of the LGBTQIA+ community and exploration of LGBTQIA+ issues, known as Queerweek, but is well attended by Wadham's student body as a whole. There's usually an array of exciting performers (last year's Lady Gaga drag act was a particular highlight) and - crucially for an outdoor festival in Michaelmas term - a heated outdoor tent!!! We are unsure as to whether this will go ahead this year):

## The Varsity trip

The Varsity Trip is an annual ski trip to the French Alps, this year taking place in March, though it usually takes place in December. It takes around 3000 students a year from Oxford and Cambridge. The trip is subsidised so it's slightly more affordable, and there is always the opportunity to go later on in your degree to give you longer to save or assess your finances. It's a great chance to spend a week with friends after a term of working and features a special headliner after a week of nights out. Speak to the Wadham rep Louis Egerton Legum (Facebook) for more details.

## ENTZ Officers

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Hello!

We're Dot (she/her), Eli (she/her), Manny (he/him) and Kaspar (he/him) and we are your Entz officers, which means we are in charge of organising the social events in college. Wadham has a great entz reputation and we are excited for you to experience that this year as things ((!!hopefully!!)) become more normal after the coronavirus pandemic. We run biweekly bops - basically big college parties where you dress up, think year 6 disco vibes - and organise Queerfest, a huge LGBTQ+ celebration - think glitter and crazy outfits - normally held in Michaelmas. We also organise Wadstock in Trinity, a 12-hour mini-festival held in the college gardens.

Let's take bop control xxx



## Bar and Social Officers

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Hi, we're Ami (she/her) and Jackie (she/her) and together we're jackieami (don't h8 appreci8). We study history and maths respectively and we're your bar and social officers! Our role involves organising events in the college bar such as fortnightly pub quizzes, holding trials for university challenge, and writing the college's very own termly gossip magazine - wadwords! We also help run the bar at the main college events like queerfest and wadstock. We hope to see you around in wadbar this term.



## Tech Officer

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The Tech Officer is in charge of all the tech that we as Wadham SU have. They set up the equipment for Bops and any other SU events (e.g. film nights, concerts/open-mic nights) and keep the tech cupboard tidy and organised. Currently, this role is vacant, which means that any of you can run to become the next tech officer! You do not need to have any previous experience with tech, as the previous officer will pass on all the information you need and teach you the relevant skills. Don't hesitate to contact the previous Tech officer Uri ([su.technical@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.technical@wadham.ox.ac.uk)) if you have any questions about this.





# Oxford Clubs

Oxford students might not go out, but (many) Wadham students do, so if that's your jam, then you're in for a good one (we honestly don't know how we manage to keep up with academic work when so many seshy decisions abound. next year this will probably be made easier by the ongoing pandemic). The variety of nightlife in Oxford combined with short walking distances and incredible late-night drunk food options means that you will have more than a few genuinely great nights out, when the time comes post deadly disease. You'll learn to plan your nights out around your weekly tute/essay deadlines, and then you'll learn to get ahead of work and go out even more– so if you're seeking a guide to your messy evening activity, look no further...



## bridge (aka brigo)

This is about as good as it gets (Rachel Hart, 2020 Freshers Pres D I S A G R E E S.) It's essentially a glorified train carriage, if said train was a depraved double-decker. The beautifully linear layout makes it easy to find your friends though, and this club will become your friend, that reliable friend- you know the one. You'll find yourself making the same pilgrimage every Thursday in search of big nights out and an elysian smoking area (definitely possibly the best in the world), regardless of the fact that you have 'sooooo much work to do tomorrow'

## fever

If you want your shoes steam-cleaned by the sweat of fellow revellers, this is the place for you (yup, that actually happened). Think underground sauna. Think low lighting and even lower ceilings. Think cheesy, light-up dance-floor. Think mirrors that distort your face in 3 inches of sweaty condensation, if you can see yourself at all. Think DJs transitioning from the Greatest Showman into Labyrinth into Chelsea Dagger. But, crucially, whilst in Fever, don't think at all. Like not at all. Plow on, dear freshers. Don't worry. Have a VK and forget about your surroundings. Provided you follow this advice, it's impossible not to have a good night @ Fever. [Your Thursday.]

## parkend (Parky, Pend, NOT 'ATIK' UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES)

Like Bridge but different. The cheese floor is your go-to for just that CHEESE and cheese in abundance. If you're not big into ABBA then you have the choice between Oxford's premier RnB room and what can only be described as an extremely odd electronic (?) music floor. Come the end of the night, you'll stumble from one of these rooms into a frankly offensively well-lit (maybe even nice (?)) bar with your sins on full display. Beautiful. [Your Wednesday.]





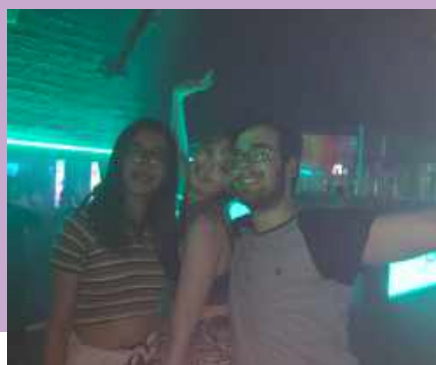
Saunter on down Cornmarket, nip into an alleyway ~half-way along, pass the corpse of Cellar and descend to the delights of Plush below. Oxford's only LGBTQ+ nightclub, the student night is Tuesday but is open Thur, Fri & Sat. LGBTQ+ soc hosts drink half 8 till half 10 at alternating colleges beforehand on Tuesday, and are all always v well attended. Once inside you can rely on drag queens and jockstrapped waiters to give you the drink of Gods „ONE POUND JAGERBOMBS“. Music is classic gay bangers, DJ friendly to requests and the winding corridor allows for many places for a cheeky gwith. Very friendly and open to the whole queer community, all should feel comfortable within this sweaty cavern. Non - LGBTQ+ people: if you're invited by member of LGBTQ+ community you're welcome to come.

## the bullingdon club

(aka Bully, not THAT bullingdon club): Bully is different. A short trip northwards from college (by con-corde) and you'll find it on Cowley road, its smoking area full with the beauty of relentless techno on full display and plenty of red stripe to go around- it's a good time guaranteed. Don't forget your bum bag.

## cirkus

It's small and it's definitely there. It exists. You'll probably go there at some point... maybe... probably accidentally. Ummm, yeah. Cirkus. It's definitely a location. That's just about all we've got.



# Internationals

## International Students' Officer

Hey Freshers!

My name is Rhea (she/her) and I'm from Qatar (ish). I will be your International Officer for 2020-21. My role is to look out for international students: represent our concerns in the SU committee, liaise with college when necessary and organise international events so internationals and domestics alike can actively engage with each other's cultures!

One of the best things about university is getting to know people different from you – not only because you might relate to them anyway but because you might not! Indulge in those differences. Freshers of Wadham, unite! (I'm a PPEist – a terrible Marxist reference is mandatory.)



## Contacts for international freshers

Heyaa International Freshers!!! Here are a list of few students you can contact from your own country/any other country to talk to them about their experience in Wadham. Feel free to email/Facebook message them with any questions!

Hazem Hassan - Egypt - [hazem.hassan@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:hazem.hassan@wadham.ox.ac.uk)

Piero Alberti - Italy - [piero.alberti@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:piero.alberti@wadham.ox.ac.uk)

Gerda Krivaite - Lithuania - [gerdakr99@gmail.com](mailto:gerdakr99@gmail.com)/Facebook: Gerda Krivaite

Olivier Witteveen - Netherlands and Singapore - [olivier.witteveen@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:olivier.witteveen@wadham.ox.ac.uk)/Facebook (same name)

Adam Wiktor - Poland - [adam.wiktor@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:adam.wiktor@wadham.ox.ac.uk) /Facebook & instagram @avictour

Amelia Adcroft - United States - [amelia.adcroft@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:amelia.adcroft@wadham.ox.ac.uk)/WhatsApp +16096513075

Adhithya Senthil Kumar - India - [adhithya.senthilkumar@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:adhithya.senthilkumar@wadham.ox.ac.uk)/ Facebook - Adhithya S

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# Money Money Money

The SU can provide you with tonnes of stuff including refunds for perscriptions, books, tampons etc. and have a termly meeting where you can ask for money for anything else that you might have missed during the term. Here's a list (although not exhaustive!) of what you can ask the SU for (and who to contact):

- **Condoms, lube, dental dams etc.** straight to your pidge (discreetly!), just email [su.welfare@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.welfare@wadham.ox.ac.uk)
- If you've had to pay for a **pregnancy test, the morning after pill or a moon-cup**, email [su.women@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.women@wadham.ox.ac.uk) for reimbursement
- If you've had to pay a **prescription charge or a PPI**, then email [su.disabilities@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.disabilities@wadham.ox.ac.uk) or [su.treasurer@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.treasurer@wadham.ox.ac.uk) for reimbursement
- If you're a fresher, you can get a £50 **book grant** in Michaelmas, email [su.treasurer@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.treasurer@wadham.ox.ac.uk)
- The treasurer organises **money meetings** each term where you can get funding from the SU for books, internship living expenses, or travel that is relevant to your education, email [su.treasurer@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.treasurer@wadham.ox.ac.uk)
- The SU owns a **sewing machine**, so get in touch with [su.arts@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.arts@wadham.ox.ac.uk) if you'd like to use it
- In general, if you need money for a project, a play, a zine, a protest, a sports team or just about anything else, do think about bringing a **motion to the SU** to ask for funding!

## Things we do that are free:

- Pretty much everything the SU does involves **free food**, so come to everything
- We organise **welfare brunches** every two weeks (usually the Sunday morning after bops), when everyone is quite tired and in need of some love in the form of yummy treats
- **Yoga and Zumba** classes every week in college, which are a lot of fun!

## Treasurer

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Hello fresher! I'm Ella (she/her), a second year Physics student, and as of a few months ago the Wadham SU treasurer. Generally, the different SU officers will decide where to spend the money on relevant events and such, then I will oversee this and reimburse them when necessary. I also look after the SU bank account, and keep track of how much money we have so we don't run out.

If you have any questions about how money in the SU works, feel free to email me or find me on facebook (Ella Thomas). Can't wait to meet you!





# Other Members of the SU



## Environments and Ethics Officer

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Hello!! I'm Freddie (he/they). I study Ancient and Modern History - it's Classics and History joint honours with a dumb name - but when I'm not queuing for the BEST bagels at ATS or lying on my floor pretending to read, I'm being your Environment and Ethics Officer (though not for much longer)!! This basically involves trying to support Wadham students to live sustainably and to help college move in that direction too, so any questions you have (about college or anything else) please do email me.



## Tortoise Officer

Hi! I'm Ben (he/him), the SU tortoise officer. I'm in charge of looking after Archie, the college tortoise. Archie lives every Wadhamsite's dream: living rent-free in central Oxford, sunbathing daily, and spending half the year asleep. In Trinity (summer) term, he lives in the college gardens, meeting students and eating (his favourite food is raw frozen peas!!). For the summer holiday, he's staying with me near Cambridge (check out his Insta @archibaldmanshella to see what adorable things he's up to!), and he'll be back in Oxford for hibernation in October. Hopefully you'll all meet him when he wakes up!!



# Other Members of the SU

## Chair

Hey ! I'm Victoria (she/her), a second year studying law, and I'm Wadham's SU Chair this year, and my role is basically to deal with most of the admin to ensure the SU can run smoothly. I'll be running

SU meetings and elections, which means you can expect to hear a lot from me over the next year (apologies in advance) ! I'm the person you need to contact if you want to submit a motion or discussion point to the SU, or if you have any questions about the constitution (I am the SU's resident constitution nerd). Please do say hi if you see me around, and I'm always here to help if you need it !



## Disabled Students' Officers

Hello and welcome to Wadham! We are Keir May (He/Him) and Alice Bradbury (She/Her) and we are your disabled student officers. We support students with long term health conditions, whether they are visible or invisible, physical or mental. We also support anyone who has family with disabilities or friends with disabilities. Feel free to email us if you would like any advice, we can offer advice about applying to Oxford Disability Advisory Service (DAS) and can help to signpost resources and in general advocate for students with disabilities. Feel free to email us! @su.disabilities@wadham.ox.ac.uk



# Ox Speak

In a few weeks words like “pidge” and “bop” will be rolling off your tongue like a pro, but in the meantime here is a dictionary of Oxford slang to help you get to grips with some of the new words you’ll come across here.

**BATTELS** - the fees you must pay at the beginning of each term.

**BOD CARD** - your student card, which you will use to pay for food at college, as a library card, and as a swipe key to get in and out of college. Basically, try not to lose it. It costs £15 to replace.

**BLUES** - people who compete at university level in sports.

**BOPS** - fortnightly themed parties in college, with a fancy dress theme.

**THE CHERWELL** - a student newspaper.

**CLUNCH** - pay-as-you-go college lunch served daily (to varying standards) in the new refectory.

**COLLECTIONS** - start of term exams.

**COWLEY AND IFFLEY** - the streets where many second years live out.

**CREW DATE** - socials between two sports teams or societies.

**CUPPERS** - Inter-college competitions (e.g. drama or sports).

**ERGS** - rowing machines.

**HALL** - the huge dining room in college, where the later sitting of dinner (7pm onwards) happens. Also where lots of people have collections.

**THE ISIS** - the part of the river Thames that runs through Oxford.

**THE JCR** - the junior common room (i.e. place for undergraduates). Where the pool table is and where you will spend an inordinate amount of your time.

**LIB** - any library, but usually Wadham library. Where you’ll probably end up doing a large proportion of your work.

**MATRICULATION** - a short ceremony that marks your official induction into Oxford University.

**MICHAELMAS/HILARY/TRINITY** - the 1st/2nd/3rd term, respectively.

**QUADS** - the grassy squares in college.

**NEXUS** - the Oxford email system.

**OXFORD SU** - Oxford University Student Union.

**THE OXFORD UNION** - A debating society which you have to pay to join. They host celebrity talks for members and have a private library. If you wish to join, there are discounts for those who receive bursaries.

**PIDGE** - pigeon holes for post, located at the lodge.

**PORTERS** - the people who man the lodge. There is always a porter on duty, and all of the porters are first aid trained.

**PRELIMS/MODS** - exams, sat at different times of the year depending on your course.

**PUNT** - a flat boat that you can pay to recreationally push along the Isis with a big metal pole. Often happens after Matriculation.

**REFEC** - The new refectory, where the first sitting of dinner, breakfast, college lunch, and Saturday brunch is served.

**SOLO** - Oxford’s online library service

**The SU** - the student union

**SUB FUSC** - the outfit you wear for matriculation and your exams.

**SUMMER EIGHTS** - the rowing competition in Trinity term.

**TORPIDS** - the rowing competition in Hilary term.

**TRASHING** - the process of spraying your pals with shaving foam, confetti and all sorts of other celebratory goods at the end of their exams (see all your freps’ insta for details) ((officially prohibited on college and university grounds though))

**TUTE** - tutorials, a class with your tutor.

**VARSITY** - match between Oxford and Cambridge.

# What is the Oxford SU?

The Oxford Student Union (not to be confused with Oxford Union - which is a debating society) is a democratic, student-led and independent organisation here to represent, support and improve the lives of Oxford students. As a student at Oxford, you automatically become a member of the SU. However, you can choose to opt out of membership either at registration or later using Student Self Service. At first, it might be a bit difficult to understand the structure of the SU so here is a breakdown of its most important parts:

## Leadership:

The Oxford SU is led by the six so-called "Sabbatical Officers". There is the President and five Vice Presidents, each one with a distinct area of responsibility. They serve for one year (and get paid to do so) and are elected in Hilary term.

## Student Council:

Student Council is essentially like the parliament of the SU. Representatives of each 'constituent organisation' (i.e. all the JCR/MCRs, academic divisions, SU campaigns...) meet every two weeks during term to debate and vote on issues affecting the student body. In the past, these have ranged from 'Banning Scholar's Gowns from examinations' to issues around the 'Higher Education Bill'. Any member of Oxford SU (i.e. pretty much any student) has a right to put forward motions, ask questions, participate in debates and run for election. However, only the representatives get to vote. As Wadham SU, we get a total of 5 votes, while 3 of them are reserved for SU President, Vice-President and MCR President. Any Wadham students may fill in the vacant seats. If you would like to attend student council or if you would like to influence how Wadham SU votes on a specific issue or motion, please contact the SU Vice president at [su.vicepresident@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.vicepresident@wadham.ox.ac.uk).

## National Union of Students:

The National Union of Students (or NUS for short) is like Oxford SU, but on a bigger, national level. They represent and support student unions nationwide and try to influence higher education policies for the better. Any member of Oxford SU can be elected to become an NUS delegate, and is then sent to the annual NUS conference to represent Oxford SU.

## Campaigns:

Apart from representing us before the University, Oxford SU also actively leads a lot of different campaigns that reach from improving mental health at the university up to fighting for consistent lecture capture in all departments. They also offer support for students through their Student Advice service. In freshers week, Oxford SU also organises the freshers fair.

If you would like to find out more about what the Oxford SU does, go to <https://www.oxfordsu.org> or email [enquiries@oxfordsu.ox.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@oxfordsu.ox.ac.uk).

# EDUROAM - Wifi @ Uni

## How to connect to eduroam

Eduroam can be confusing at first, so here you have a step-by-step guide on how to connect to it.

### Part 1: Setting up a remote Access Account password

1. Set up your "remote access" password. This, frustratingly, is a **different** thing to your SSO (single sign on) that you use to log on to any other Oxford online system.
  - a. Go to [register.it.ox.ac.uk](https://register.it.ox.ac.uk)
  - b. Sign in with your "normal" university SSO
  - c. Find the "Self-registration" button on the left and click it
  - d. Click on "Set up a Remote Access (Eduroam WiFi/VPN) account password"
  - e. Enter a new password, keeping in mind all the password selection rules specified on the right (it has to be different from your SSO password, for example)
  - f. Click submit
  - g. It might take about 10 minutes before your new remote access password works, so maybe go grab a cup of tea before you proceed with the next steps to connect to eduroam on your devices.

Here is what the website should look like:

**IT Services**

**Self-Registration Home Page**

You already have all the accounts you can register for.

The following account options are available:

- [Change an SSO \(Webauth\) password](#) (About Webauth passwords)  
(The password for your Oxford SSO account "wadh" expires on 03-Sep-2020)
- [Change a Remote Access \(Eduroam WiFi/VPN\) account password](#) Click here to establish/change your Remote Access account password  
(The password for your Remote Access account "wadh" expires on 01-Sep-2023)
- [Set, update or view Nexus mailbox settings](#)

**HFS Backup:**

[Register/Manage your HFS Backups via the HFS Portal.](#)

**Other facilities available:**

- [View the data about you held in the Registration database](#)
- [Register for and download site-licensed software \(Sophos, VPN, SPSS, NVivo, etc\)](#) **UPDATED**
- [Modify an alternative email address](#)
- [Register an ORCID Identifier](#) (About ORCID at Oxford)
- [Manage web space](#)
- [Manage linux shell account](#)
- Use the [Self Service Catalogue](#) to request access to systems, phone services, changes to accounts and more.



## How to connect to eduroam

### Part 2: Connecting to eduroam on your device

1. Apple devices (except macbooks – see “3. Laptops” for these)
  - a. Go to your Wi-Fi settings, click on eduroam and enter your remote access account password. You should then be connected to eduroam.
2. Android phones:
  - a. Go to your Wi-Fi settings and click on eduroam, then enter the following settings:
  - b. EAP method: PEAP
  - c. 2 stage authentication: MSCHAPV 2
  - d. CA certificate: use system certificates
  - e. Domain: ox.ac.uk
  - f. Identity: [wadh1234@OX.AC.UK](#) (with your real username 4-digit number)
  - g. Anonymous identity: leave blank
  - h. Password: your remote access password
  - i. Click connect
3. Laptops:
  - a. Go to <https://cat.eduroam.org>
  - b. Click on the download eduroam button and then select “University of Oxford”
  - c. Download the package
  - d. Install it (i.e. click or doubleclick on it once downloaded)
  - e. Follow the instructions in the install manager
  - f. Connect to eduroam using your username ([wadh1234@OX.AC.UK](#)) and your remote access password

If you have any problems connecting to eduroam, you can contact the tech officer ([su.technical@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:su.technical@wadham.ox.ac.uk)) or go to the IT Department (Holywell court). Alternatively you can find further guidance online on:

<https://help.it.ox.ac.uk/network/wireless/services/eduroam/manualsetup/index>

# Facebook Pages

There are so many things going on in Oxford, and you need a way of keeping track of inter-college drama/blossoming romances/what's generally going on. This is where Oxford's many Facebook pages come in- have a look below for a list of the ones we think you should join/follow to keep in the loop. Please join these after you arrive, so we've met you and can approve your join requests!

## WADHAM SU

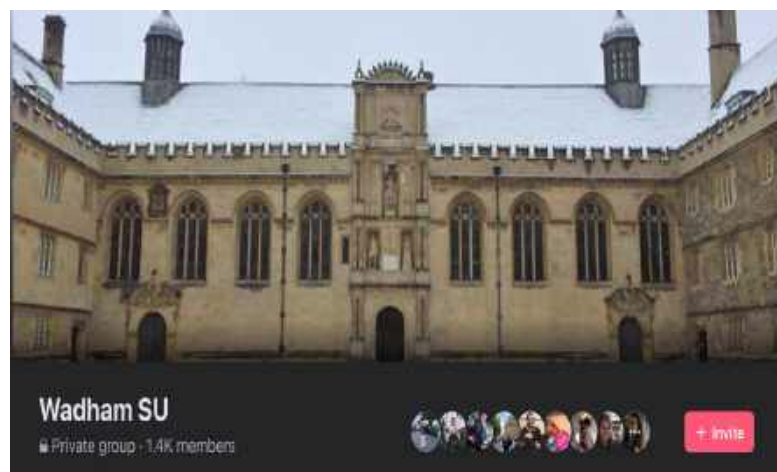
Your go-to (along with your emails) for finding out what's going on in college. People will post events and reminders here, as well as desperate pleas such as "urgent: does anyone in col have stamps?" Hugely hugely useful in so many ways.

## WADHBOOKS

THE place to go to buy and sell your books. Don't buy your books till you've checked this page out!

## HUMANS OF WADHAM

Humans of Wadham: Please like the Humans of Wadham page on Facebook (do a search and you'll find the smiling visage of Dorothy Wadham staring back at you), and follow us on insta (@humans\_of\_wadham) before you arrive. We reckon it's pretty good for everyone, but especially for those of you with some initial fears of fitting in at Wadham, for whatever reason that might be. It's completely understandable as a fear, and is one certainly formerly shared by dozens who have come before you, but these pages are aimed at showing you the plethora of stories of some of the diverse people you'll be sharing a college with. The point is to show you, and prospective applicants, that whatever your story, background, schooling, experiences, characteristics or beliefs, there truly is a place for you here, and there are friendly faces who have told their stories (and who you'll soon meet) who can prove it." ~Dan Gunn, Humans of Wadham Creator and Admin



# Useful Links

## University and Student Union Resources

Oxford University Student Union (Oxford SU) runs the **Student Advice Service (SAS)**. The Oxford SU Student Advice Service is a confidential listening, information and advocacy service. The service aims to provide a space for students to talk over their worries in confidence and to offer information on a range of issues which students might encounter during their time at Oxford. You can email [advice@oxfordsu.ox.ac.uk](mailto:advice@oxfordsu.ox.ac.uk) or you can come to one of their drop-in sessions which in addition to more information you can find here: <https://www.oxfordsu.org/wellbeing/student-advice/>

The **University Counseling Service** can be reached at [counselling@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:counselling@admin.ox.ac.uk) or 01865 270300, and offer 1-1 appointments or group sessions. The service also offers supportive resources, such as podcasts and pamphlets. Find out more at [www.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/counselling](http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/counselling).

The **Disability Advisory Service (DAS)** can be reached on [disability@admin.ox.ac.uk](mailto:disability@admin.ox.ac.uk) or 01865 289850. Around a third of students registered with the DAS have a mental health condition, one third have specific learning difficulties, and the final third have physical impairments / mobility issues. The DAS can help you with anything from lecture accessibility to special considerations for exams – get in touch sooner rather than later!

**Oxford SU's campaigns** work to support and campaign for students. Join their mailing lists to get updates on events and key lobbying priorities: [www.oxfordsu.org/campaigns/](http://www.oxfordsu.org/campaigns/)

**Nightline** (trained volunteer-led listening service) operates from 8pm to 8am every night in term time: contact them online <http://oxfordnightline.org/> or call on 01865 270270.

## Some Useful Contacts outside Oxford :

- **NHS DIRECT (24 HOUR HELPLINE):** 08454647
- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** (01865): 242373
- **CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CENTRE:** (01865) 245398
- **EATING DISORDERS ASSOCIATION HELPLINE:** 08456 341 414
- **FRANK (DRUGS HELPLINE):** 0800776600
- **LESBIAN AND GAY SWITCHBOARD:** 020 7837 7324
- **PREGNANCY ADVICE:** 08457 304030
- **SAMARITANS:** (01865) 722122
- **SEXUAL HEALTH INFORMATION LINE:** 0800 567123
- **TERRENCE HIGGINS TRUST (FORMERLY OXAIDS):** (01865) 243389
- **NATIONAL MENINGITIS HELPLINE:** 0345 538118
- **DIABETIC INFORMATION SERVICE:** 01816 565467
- **RELEASE (LEGAL ADVICE ON DRUG RELATED ISSUES):** 02076 038654



