



St Hugh's College
UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD



Supporting Academic Impact...

St Hugh's has been a unique community and special place of learning since 1886. A welcoming, inclusive, and supportive academic community, the College has been shaped by philanthropy since the founding gift from Elizabeth Wordsworth. Since this original act of benefaction, many of our alumni have remained steadfast in their ongoing support to create a stellar environment for our students and academics.

"It is a great privilege to support the establishment of an endowed DPhil scholarship in Politics & Economics at St Hugh's. With matched funding provided by the Economic Social Research Council (ESRC), the College can ensure that there will be support in perpetuity for an outstanding student who lacks the means to continue their studies."

Joan Swindells (PPE, 1957)



Underpinning Academic Success

St Hugh's is committed to ensuring this exceptional educational experience is available to the most outstanding students, regardless of their background, financial situation, or personal circumstances.

With your generous support, we are able to offer bursaries and scholarships to talented students, while prizes and awards allow us to celebrate and support those achieving an exceptional standard.

Learning doesn't just happen in a tutorial or the laboratory. Through travel grants, field work, and conference support you can help students take their studies out into the world, affecting change beyond the College.



"My research trip to Tanzania, to study human-wildlife conflict, not only deepened my understanding of conservation, a topic vital to my degree, but also inspired me to pursue a career working on complex human-wildlife problems. I am extremely grateful for this opportunity which was made possible by the Student Support Fund."

Eloise Elkington, 3rd year Biology

In 2022, 96 travel grants and awards were given out supporting students to attend conferences, research symposiums, conduct field work and research, participate in competitions and attend language schools.

All Round Support for our Students

Life at university can be stressful, and at times, the pressure of studies along with personal or financial worries can take their toll. We are committed to ensuring all of our students thrive so we have developed a comprehensive framework of health and wellbeing support as well as financial assistance when needed.

"In 2022, we hired our first Learning Development & Support Tutor, an innovative service providing one-on-one support to improve learning skills. The take-up has been so enthusiastic that we are expanding the role in the coming year."

Professor Robert Vilain, Senior Tutor



Last year, we awarded 44 hardship grants to undergraduate and graduate students in need. These grants provide vital help to students facing unforeseen financial problems.



Attracting Academic Talent

As part of the University of Oxford, teaching is of course at the heart of our mission. We know that the tutorial system produces outstanding graduates and that this aspect of an Oxford education is what sets it apart. To ensure that we are growing and sustaining our academic community with rigour we must attract early career academics across priority disciplines.

The Fellows of St Hugh's are leading academics and their thought provoking, supportive teaching creates a vibrant intellectual community. By attracting and supporting talented researchers and tutors, we are further enriching the student experience as well as creating a groundswell for academic impact.

Our students have the opportunity to learn from extraordinary researchers such as our newest Tutorial Fellow, Dr Alex Mietke. Dr Mietke's work in the emerging field of active matter explores the physical mechanisms that enable the development of biological organisms. His research in this highly interdisciplinary space which combines physics, biology, computer science, engineering and chemistry, has already seen two publications in *Nature* despite being relatively new in his career. With academic talent like this in our midst, St Hugh's undergraduates will have the opportunity to learn about this emerging field, while our graduate students will be able to contribute to innovative and exceptional research.



Trinity Term 2023 saw nearly 50 of our Finalists awarded first-class degrees.



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