

# Embassy Oxford



**Our centre is located on the Headington campus of Oxford Brookes University – a mix of old and modern buildings set on a large campus with plenty of outdoor space and only a short distance from the city centre.**

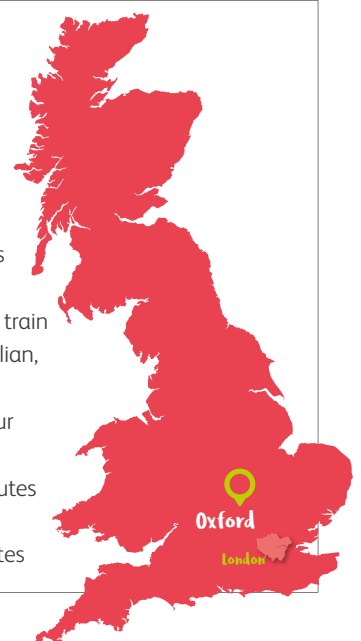
It offers great campus facilities including sports hall, impressive modern dining hall, modern lecture theatres and several shops. Oxford is an iconic destination famous for its historic University and impressive college buildings.

## Why Oxford?

- Well established Embassy Summer centre - since 1990
- Impressive student campus
- World famous University city

## Key Facts:

**Age range:** 12 to 17  
**Dates:** 25 Jun – 13 Aug  
**Centre capacity:** 350  
**Nearest station:** Oxford  
**Nearest town/city:** Oxford  
**Time to Cambridge:** 12 minutes by bus  
**Time to London:** 60 minutes by train  
**Main nationalities in 2016:** Italian, French, Spain, Korean, Chinese  
**Transport links:** Heathrow 1 hour  
Gatwick 2 hours  
St. Pancras International 90 minutes  
Luton 90 minutes  
Stansted/Luton 2 hours 30 minutes



# Campus facilities

## Accommodation

Single standard rooms with shared bathroom ratio of 1:5 to 1:6. Rooms grouped in flats of 5 or 6. Each room contains a single bed, wardrobe, desk and chair. Residential buildings close to teaching facilities and dining hall. Wi-fi available throughout

**Deposit of £30 required upon arrival**  
**Replacement of lost room key £30**

## Common areas

- Shared communal area in each flat
- Wi-Fi available in common areas

## Cleaning

- Rooms cleaned weekly
- Common areas cleaned every other day
- Student bathrooms cleaned every other day

## Linen

- Clean sheets provided weekly

## Towels

- Students must bring own towel

## Laundry

Washing machines located in each residence building

- Cleaning - £2.20 per wash
- Drying - £1 per cycle

## Sports

- Large multi-purpose sports hall
- Gym available specific times during the week
- Park nearby for games and activities

## Onsite shops

- Mini supermarket, and several cafés
- Cash machine (ATM)

## Meals

Meals served in impressive dining hall in **Fuller building**

## Food options

### Breakfast

Cooked and continental – pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, coffee, toast, cereal, fruit

### Lunch

2 courses, 3 options including vegetarian

### Evening

2 courses 3 options including vegetarian

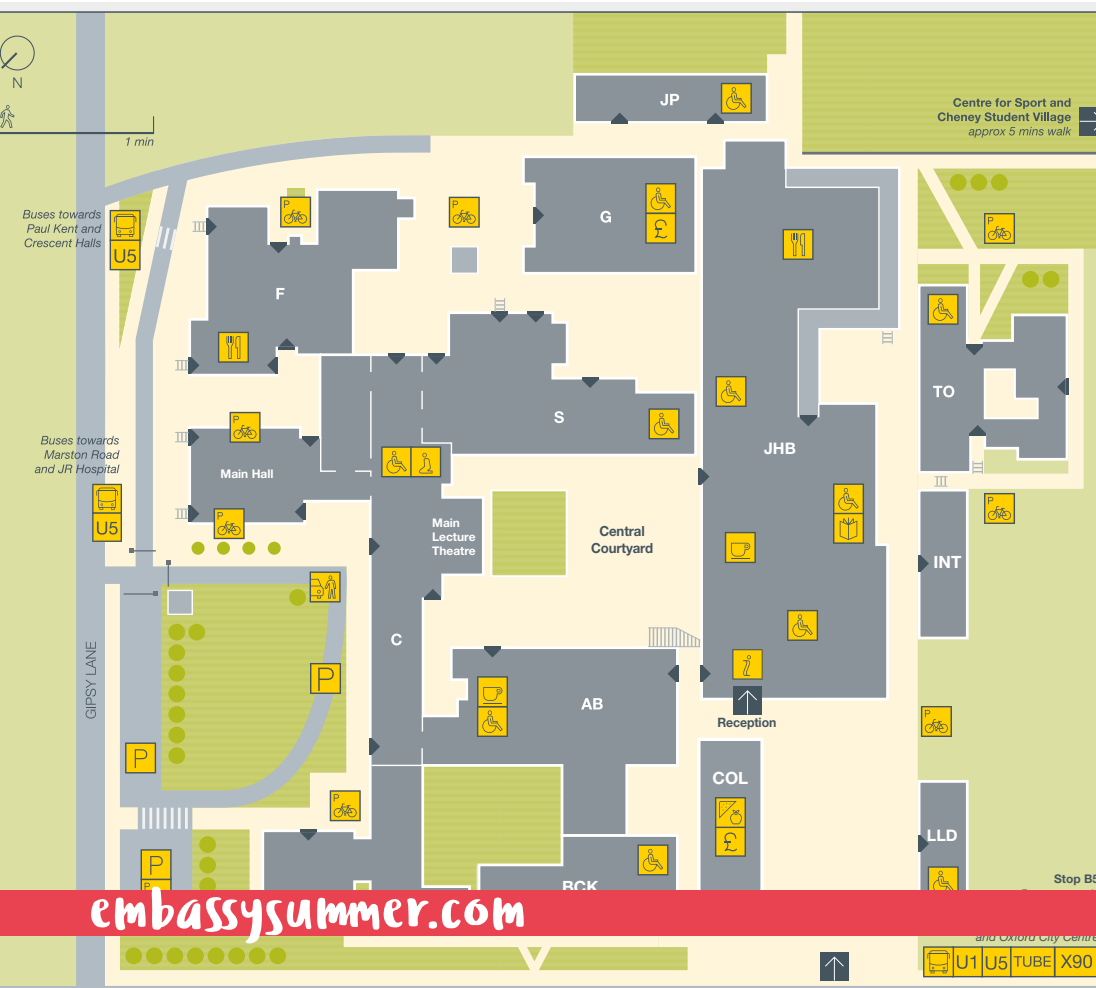
Halal option available

### Snacks

there are several shops on campus where students can purchase snacks, confectionery and drinks

### Packed lunches are provided at weekends

water, fruit, sandwich, crisps, biscuits/cake



## HEADINGTON CAMPUS Headington Road

### AB. Abercrombie

Abercrombie Café  
 Architecture  
 AV Hire and Collection Point  
 Planning  
 Real Estate and Construction  
 The Glass Tank

### BCK. Buckley

**C. Clerici**  
 Boardrooms  
 Cash Office  
 Examinations Office  
 Main Lecture Theatre  
 Research and Business  
 Development Office

### COL. Colonnade

Bank  
 Bookshop and Café  
 Colonnade Store  
 Medical Centre  
 Osteopathy Clinic  
 Studental

### F. Fuller

Brookes Restaurant  
 Oxford School of Hospitality  
 Management  
 Print, Post and Distribution

### G. Gibbs

Computer Lab  
 Humanities  
 Social Sciences

### INT. International Centre

Oxford Brookes International

### JHB. John Henry Brookes Building

Brookes Union  
 Café Central  
 Careers Centre  
 Deli and Lounge  
 IT Service Desk  
 John Henry Brookes  
 Lecture Theatre  
 Library  
 Main Reception  
 Student Central (programme support  
 financial aid, international students'  
 support and research students' support)  
 The Terrace  
 Upgrade

### JP. John Payne

Architectural Engineering  
 Architecture Workshop  
 Estates and Facilities  
 Technology Laboratory

### LLD. Lloyd

Accommodation Bureau  
 Admissions  
 Transport Services  
 UK Recruitment and  
 Partnerships

### S. Sinclair

Health and Life Sciences  
 Psychology

### TO. Tonge

English and Modern Languages  
 Health and Life Sciences  
 History, Philosophy and Religion

# Programme information

## Arrival

Students will be welcomed upon arrival at **the Clive Booth reception** where they will register and get their room keys and can check-in to their rooms

## Welcome

On the first evening there will be a welcome activity which is designed to ensure students have the opportunity to meet staff and other students and get to know more about the campus, its facilities and useful information which will help them during their stay.

## English lessons

- Placement tests on first morning for all students to ensure put in correct level
- Students are placed in an international class with different nationalities
- Class sizes are maximum 15 students
- 20x 45 minute lessons per week - 3 hours per morning or afternoon, 5 days per week
- Qualified teachers use a communicative teaching methodology to engage students in a fun and dynamic way
- Particular focus is on improving listening and speaking skills
- Classrooms are located in the John Henry Brookes and Gibbs buildings
- Classrooms are equipped interactive whiteboards and are also wi-fi enabled

## Activities

Activities are organised every Monday to Friday and every evening all week, for students not on a prepaid excursion or any additional optional trips. These activities could be onsite or near to the centre. These may include:

- **Sports** such as football, mini Olympics, rounders, table tennis, volleyball and basketball
- **Daytime activities** such as scavenger hunts and drama workshops
- **Evening activities** such as karaoke, talent show, and team games

## Half-day trips

Visits to Oxford Colleges and Museums, Bicester Village Shopping Outlet, the Costwolds Wildlife Park, Blenheim Gardens

## Excursions

Full-day excursions from Oxford include:

**London** - visit this exciting capital city and take a walking tour of the South Bank along the Thames and a visit to the Tate Modern

**Stratford-upon-Avon** - discover the beautiful home town of Shakespeare steeped in history and culture

**Warwick Castle** - explore this spectacular medieval royal castle once owned by Queen Elizabeth I

## Optional excursions

Take advantage of the additional trips that are available from Oxford

**Thorpe Park:** enjoy extreme rides and attractions at this popular theme park.

**Windsor Castle** - the oldest and largest inhabited castle in the world

**London** - Madame Tussauds or Tower of London



# Life skills

Students on an Embassy Summer programme will gain more than just language skills and exposure to a different culture. Our trips, the tasks students will be set for their trips and excursions and all of our activities are designed to give students the skills they need to succeed in life.

From improved communication to problem solving, from teamwork to leadership - students will be developing key life skills at an important time in their lives.

## Communication



## Confidence



## Teamwork



## Leadership



## Problem solving



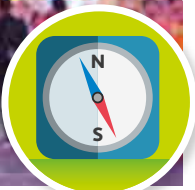
## Curiosity



## Creativity



## Exploration



# Sample programmes (Extra)

## Oxford 4-week EXTRA programme

Each 14 night stay will include 4 half day visits into Oxford, 2 half day trips to nearby towns & attractions & 2 full days to other towns & cities such as London, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwick etc. Transport for trips may be by private coach or public transport. This programme is for illustrative purposes and activities and trips shown may change. Student may have lessons EITHER morning OR afternoon in week 1, alternating weekly after that.

The week numbers below represent the 4 weekly cycle of programmes at the centre – week 1 being the first week per the centre start date in the 'Key Facts' section on the first page of this guide. Groups will therefore join the week applicable to their start date.

Week 1	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals/ local activities or optional trip (23rd July only)	Testing/Induction	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Full Day Trip: London with Walking Tour and Natural History or Science Museum Visit
Afternoon		Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Art/Nature Walk	Half Day Trip: Oxford Museums and Colleges	Half Day Trip: Bourton on the Water and Dragonfly Maze	Sports/Crafts/Dance	
Evening	Meet and Greet Games		Disco			Battleship	Outdoor Sports
	Quiz	Outdoor sports	Blind date	Egg Drop	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Casino

Week 2	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals/local activities or optional Trip to Thorpe Park	Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Crafts/Dance	Half Day Trip: Oxford Christchurch	Half Day Trip: Woodstock and Blenheim Gardens	Sports/Art/ Nature Walk	Full Day Trip: Stratford Upon Avon and Shakespeare's Birthplace
Afternoon			Testing/Induction or Lessons			Lessons	
Evening	Drama Workshop	Disco	Outdoor sports	Arts and Crafts	Outdoor sports	Headington's Got Talent	Treasure hunt
	Welcome Games	Dance Workshop	Quiz Night	Capture the Flag	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Magical Face Paint

Week 3	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals / local activities or optional Trip to Cambridge and King's College	Testing/Induction or Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Full Day Trip: London Walk, River Cruise and National Gallery
Afternoon		Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Art/ Nature Walk	Half Day Trip: Oxford Museums and Colleges	Half Day Trip: Cotswold Wildlife Park	Sports/Crafts/Drama	
Evening	Egg Drop		Disco			Speed Meet	Outdoor Sports
	Games Night and welcome	Outdoor sports	Headington Olympics	Dance Workshop	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Casino

Week 4	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals/local activities or optional Trip to Windsor Castle	Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Crafts/Dance	Half Day Trip: Oxford Christchurch	Half Day Trip: Bicester Village outlet	Sports/Crafts/Drama	Full Day Trip: Warwick Castle
Afternoon			Testing/Induction or Lessons			Lessons	
Evening	Magical Face Paint	Disco	Outdoor sports	Arts and Crafts	Outdoor sports	Film Night	Drama
	Welcome Games	Treasure Hunt	Quiz Night	Blind date	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Magical Face Paint

# Sample programmes (Essential)

## Headington 4-week ESSENTIAL programme

Each 14 night stay will include 6 half day visits to a Oxford & 1 full day to London or major town such as Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwick etc etc. Transport for trips may be by private coach or public transport. This programme is for illustrative purposes and activities and trips shown may change. Students may have lessons EITHER in the morning OR afternoon in week 1, alternating weekly after that.

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Afternoon		Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Art/ Nature Walk	Local Visit to Oxford - Museums	Local Visit to Oxford - Photo Scavenger Hunt	Sports/Crafts/Dance	
	Fox and Hounds		Campus Monopoly				
Evening	Meet and Greet Games	Disco	Battleship	Outdoor Sports	Dance Workshop	Fashion Show	Film Night
	Quiz	Outdoor sports	Blind date	Egg Drop	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Casino

Week 2	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Arrivals / activities in centre or optional Trip to Thorpe Park	Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Crafts/Dance	Local Visit to Oxford - Museums	Local Visit to Oxford - Shopping project	Sports/Art/ Nature Walk	Local Walk & Activities or optional trip to Stratford upon Avon and Shakespeare's Birthplace
Afternoon			Testing/Induction or lessons			Lessons	
			Fools Gold			Human Pac Man	
Evening	Drama Workshop	Disco	Outdoor sports	Arts and Crafts	Outdoor sports	Headington's Got talent	Treasure hunt
	Welcome Games	Dance Workshop	Quiz Night	Capture the Flag	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Magical Face Paint

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Morning	Arrivals/ activities in centre or optional Trip to Cambridge and King's College	Testing/Induction or Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Lessons	Full-day trip to London with Walking Tour and National Gallery
Afternoon		Local Visit to Oxford - Walking Tour	Sports/Art/ Nature Walk	Local Visit to Oxford - Museums	Local Visit to Oxford - Treasure Trail	Sports/Crafts/Drama	
	Hunt the Leader		Coastguards and Smugglers				
Evening	Egg Drop	Disco	Speed Meet	Outdoor Sports	Nature Trail	Showcase	Film Night
	Games Night and welcome	Outdoor sports	Headington Olympics	Dance Workshop	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Casino

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Afternoon			Testing/Induction or lessons			Lessons	
			Capture the Flag			Fox and Hounds	
Evening	Magical Face Paint	Disco	Outdoor sports	Arts and Crafts	Outdoor sports	Film Night	Drama
	Welcome games	Treasure Hunt	Quiz Night	Blind date	Karaoke	Outdoor sports	Magical Face Paint

# Student Welfare

We place the highest priority on care and supervision at all of our Embassy summer centres so you can rest assured students are well looked after. Staff are available 24 hours a day.

## Office address

Embassy Summer Schools  
Oxford Brookes University  
Headington  
Oxford OC3 0BP

## Student services

Our student support staff can help you with:

- Accommodation
- Airport transfers
- Information about local services
- Assistance with individual and personal problems
- Emergency contact

## Medical information

If a student needs medical attention an Embassy staff member will help make an appointment. Group leaders must accompany the student to an appointment. An Embassy staff member will accompany any student that is not part of a group.

## Local doctor

East Oxford Health Centre  
Manzil Way  
Tel: +44 1865 722214

## Local hospital

John Radcliffe Hospital  
Headley Way, Headington  
Tel: +44 300 304 7777

## Insurance

If a student does not have insurance, StudyCare is available to purchase

## Safe

A safe will be available for the storage of passports, travel documents and deposits.

## In case of emergency

A 24 hour emergency telephone number is available all summer: +44 7771 845978.

## Check list

- Trainers or walking shoes
- Hat or cap
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Towels
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