

THE PLACE

Ask most people what makes Worcester distinctive and it's an easy answer - our 26 acres of award-winning gardens. When you're relaxing by the lake or having a picnic under the centuries-old trees, it's easy to forget that this green oasis is less than a 10-minute walk from the train station. And with the University's libraries and departments only a short walk away too, it's hard to think of a better place to be a student in Oxford. If that's not enough, the lively neighbourhood of Jericho is just on our doorstep. Here you can make the most of the independent cinema, shops, bars and cafés which bring this part of town to life.

With green spaces so important to us at Worcester, we're working hard to champion sustainability and biodiversity. Our gardens support 65 species of birds, many small mammals and millions of invertebrates. Aside from the gardens, we're looking at ways to make the whole college more sustainable - like printing this single sheet of paper instead of our old 24-page prospectus. Head to our website to read more about our courses, academics and research.

What do our students think? Read their new Alternative Prospectus



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Worcester College Undergraduate Prospectus
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DISCOVER A PLACE TO MAKE YOUR OWN.



WELCOME TO WORCESTER

At Worcester, you'll find a community which supports your academic success, gives you the space you need to flourish, and offers you a helping hand when you need it.

We're the only college in Oxford to have sports pitches on site and we also excel in extra-curricular music and drama. And with accommodation for three years in college or just over the road, you're guaranteed to be able to make the most of our award-winning gardens - by the time graduation arrives most people are firm friends with our resident ducks!

As one of Oxford's most diverse colleges, we take equality of opportunity seriously and admit students with the most potential, whatever their background. Over the past three years, 84% of our UK students have come from state schools - the second highest intake in the University - and a third have had Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic backgrounds.

We've been here since 1714 but some of our buildings were already hundreds of years old when we arrived. Plenty has changed over the last 300 years while some things have stayed the same. Whether its tradition or innovation you're after (or probably something in between), Worcester is a place you can make your own.

P.S. If you hadn't guessed, our college colour is pink...



65,000
 books in
 our libraries

750
 bottles of apple juice pressed
 from our orchard each year



450
 undergraduate
 students

a community
 of alumni in
 99 countries around
 the world

20 accommodation
 buildings

3 tennis
 courts

and 1
 lake!



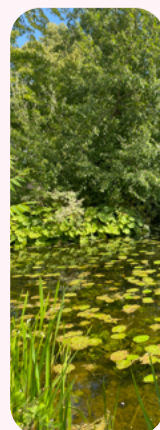
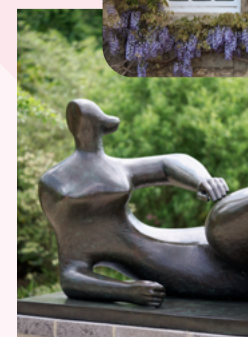
LOUIS
 2ND-YEAR CHEMISTRY

"Life at Worcester is brilliant because there are so many great people and so much to get involved with, from sports and societies to having a drink in the bar or chilling with friends. The college is unbelievably beautiful and my tutors are really supportive - they're always happy to offer help when I need it which makes a real difference."



LOUISE
 4TH-YEAR FRENCH
 & LINGUISTICS

"I chose Worcester because the first time I visited I felt at home straight away. I'm originally from Italy but have lived in Leeds for the last 7 years and was worried that I wouldn't fit in at Oxford. My fears were unfounded - Worcester has allowed me to grow so much and given me the freedom to be myself. The support I've received from staff has been amazing and I couldn't be more grateful."



YOUR PLACE TO LIVE

- * Three years of **guaranteed** college accommodation on site or less than 300m from the perimeter
- * **20 buildings** to chose from spanning 7 centuries
- * More than two thirds of our rooms have **en-suite** bathrooms
- * Access to spacious **shared kitchens**

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

We're committed to keeping rent and bills affordable at Worcester. Accommodation pricing is spread across 6 grades which reflect the facilities, size and age of different rooms. In 2022-2023, first-year rents at Worcester (excluding utilities and meals) ranged from **c.£2,700 to c.£4,800** for 187 nights.

Catering prices in 2022-2023 were:

- 52p/item breakfast**
- £4.25 lunch**
- £4.99 dinner**
- £13.08 formal**

You can book events and track spending on our catering app.



YOUR PLACE TO THRIVE



- * Professional **welfare lead** and a team of on-call graduate students to provide advice and support 24/7
- * **College Nurse** providing on-site and remote appointments every weekday

- * **Chaplain** always available for pastoral support (and walks with Harry the dog)

- * Your **college tutor** supports both your academic and personal development

- * Learning Support Officer to offer training and guidance on **study skills** and work to build an inclusive learning environment

- * Equality & Diversity Fund to support **student projects** and initiatives

We firmly believe that no students should be unable to attend Oxford due to financial concerns. In addition to the University's Oxford Bursaries and Crankstart Scholarships, Worcester offers **book allowances** and **vacation study grants**. We also award **prizes and scholarships** to reward excellent academic work. College funds can offer **short-term support** to those facing unforeseen financial difficulties through a mix of grants and loans.

Enjoy 3 meals a day in our beautiful 18th century **dining hall** (just brunch and dinner on Sundays). We always have vegetarian and vegan options as well as Halal meat. You can dress up to enjoy **formal dinners** 3 times a week and also make use of the communal kitchens. Catering is **pay-as-you-go** so it's easy to be flexible. Our **café** offers coffee, pastries and made-to-order sandwiches, while the **Cellar Bar** is the perfect spot to chill with affordable drinks, darts, pool & foosball.



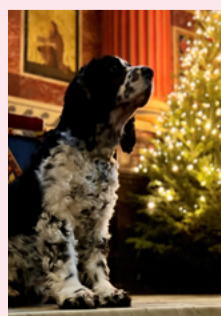
WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

A typical weekly menu could include: **roast chicken & stuffing**, spicy bean chilli, **fish pie**, beef casserole with dumplings, **jerk-spiced jackfruit**, pulled pork wraps, and a **curry night** with tandoori chicken, samosas, saag paneer, aloo gobi and mango rice pudding!



A PLACE TO CALL HOME

Worcester is so much more than a collection of buildings. This is your place to learn and thrive; your place to make friendships and pursue passions that'll endure long after you've graduated. Find out why Worcester is the perfect home away from home.



YOUR PLACE TO LEARN

- * Work in the **historic lower library** for a great view of college or head to the upper library to browse the modern collection
- * Separate **law library** open to all students
- * **24-hour** library facilities in college
- * Around **700 new volumes** purchased each year
- * **Special collections** of international significance



YOUR PLACE TO BELONG

- * Buskins **drama society** and a century-old tradition of summer garden plays
- * Inclusive **sports teams** with regular training and socials for everything from football to frisbee
- * On-site **sports pitches**, gym and 3 hard **tennis courts**
- * Student-run **music society** with weekly recitals and regular concerts plus an orchestra, jazz orchestra and non-auditioning choir
- * Chapel **choir** sing 3-4 services per week and offer scholarships with singing lessons in all parts
- * Multi-faith **prayer room** for individual and group reflection with adjacent washrooms
- * Purpose-built **dance studio** beside the lake

