About St Anne’s College

St Anne’s College is a friendly and inclusive community of staff and students, including over 400 undergraduate and around 300 graduate students. From its roots as an educational establishment for women in the 19th century, St Anne’s has sought to educate those with the ability and determination to pursue an Oxford education, regardless of background. Today the College prides itself on offering the highest-quality education in a supportive and informal co-educational environment.

Studying here

Tutorials

When studying for an undergraduate degree at Oxford, your education will consist of lectures, practicals and classes provided by the University, supported by the student-focused tutorials in your College. Tutorials usually involve two or three students and their academic tutor discussing work that the students have completed prior to the tutorial. These sessions play a key role in all Oxford degrees, and St Anne’s has outstanding academic tutors and professors to guide, support and challenge you in your studies.

Our tutors, professors and researchers have excellent reputations in their areas of research, giving our students the opportunity to learn from experts in their chosen subjects.

Courses on offer

The majority of Oxford University undergraduate courses are available to study at St Anne’s, and you can find a list of the courses offered on the College website. Please also see the website for further details on the graduate courses we have available. The diversity of subjects studied at St Anne’s creates an interesting interdisciplinary culture within the College, encouraging collaboration and ensuring that our students encounter new ideas outside the disciplines they study.

Facilities

Our Library is well-stocked with over 110,000 volumes available on the shelves, the largest working collection of any Oxford college. It is open 24 hours a day, so provides an excellent study space whenever students choose to work, and continues to be very popular. The College is planning a new purpose-built Library and Academic Centre that will increase the number of library study spaces available. It will provide state of the art IT facilities and rooms for group working, as well as work spaces for focused study in an atmosphere of quiet concentration.

Opportunities

Our aim at St Anne’s is to prepare all our students for life through the range and intensity of the opportunities we provide. We organise many career events throughout the academic year, such as the annual St Anne’s Careers Week and regular talks with successful alumnae. St Anne’s also works with a number of organisations to provide internships for St Anne’s students, the largest of which is the Danson Mentoring Programme which gives up to twenty undergraduate students the chance to complete a four-week paid internship, gain professional contacts and benefit from long-term career guidance. These internships are based in organisations connected to the Danson Foundation, including within digital and printed media, management consultancy and the third sector.

“I have absolutely loved my time at St Anne’s so far. There are so many opportunities here, academically and socially. The tutorial system gives you great individual attention and lets you tailor the course to your interests. The college system is great for giving you a close-knit group of friends, in combination with a large university, with endless opportunities and societies, whenever you want it.” Will Carter (Modern Languages)
Living here

Accommodation

St Anne's has an excellent range of College accommodation and offers on-site accommodation for three years, including to all first-year students. Students on four year courses (except Linguists) live out for one year in College-rented houses or subsidised private rentals. All rooms are single occupancy, many are en-suite and accessible rooms are available.

Catering

At St Anne's we are lucky to have a wide range of catering options available. Our Dining Hall serves breakfast, lunch and dinner on weekdays, and brunch at the weekend. Meals are paid for on a pay-as-you-go basis. The convenience, affordable prices and sociable atmosphere make the Dining Hall a very popular option.

Our student accommodation includes well-equipped shared kitchens so students are also able to cater for themselves and our on-site coffee shop offers a further alternative.

Societies

In addition to the wide range of University-level societies, we have many College societies and teams for St Anne's students to join. There are a number of musical groups active at St Anne's, including the College orchestra that runs jointly with St John's College. Music practice rooms are available to all students and musical events are often organised by students of the College.

It is also possible to participate in a number of different sports at St Anne's, including rowing, football, rugby, netball and others. These sports are open to players of varying levels of experience, including complete beginners.

The College has active undergraduate and graduate communities. Undergraduates at St Anne's belong to the Junior Common Room (JCR) while our postgraduate students belong to the Middle Common Room (MCR). Both the JCR and MCR organise a variety of social events for students throughout the year, including activities to help new students settle in when they start here at St Anne's.

The friendly people here, from students to academics and other staff, added to the inclusive and welcoming atmosphere, make St Anne's a great place to live, work and socialise.” Alistair Green (Law)

Finance

In addition to financial support from the University, the College offers a range of academic scholarships, travel grants and bursaries, most notably the Danson Bursary Scheme to support students from lower income households. For the latest information about the financial support available, please see our website: www.st-annes.ox.ac.uk.
History

St Anne’s began in 1879 as The Society of Home-Students, allowing young women to live in lodgings across the city, and to attend lectures and tutorials, just as students in the colleges did, providing a more affordable way of obtaining a degree at Oxford.

In 1942, the Society of Home-Students became the St Anne’s Society, and in turn a full College of the University, complete with Royal Charter, in 1952.

St Anne’s has changed in its short history more radically than many other colleges with far longer histories. The College was one of the first of the women’s colleges to admit men, in its centenary year of 1979, since when the proportion of women and men studying here has remained evenly balanced.

Location

St Anne’s is located on the north side of central Oxford, close to the University Parks, Science Area and the neighbourhood of Jericho. It is situated very close to the Radcliffe Observatory Quarter, Oxford’s most ambitious academic development in over a century, which includes the Mathematical Institute, the Blavatnik School of Government, and Radcliffe Humanities occupied by the Humanities Divisional Office, the Faculty of Philosophy, and the Philosophy and Theology Libraries.

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