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**To new Graduate members of College:**

New members will be formally admitted to the University at a matriculation ceremony on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October** at 10.30 am. It is a statutory requirement of the University that all students must matriculate as members of the University at the beginning of their course, unless they are graduate students of Cambridge University or of Trinity College, Dublin who have sought permission to incorporate their Cambridge or Trinity College, Dublin degrees. Without matriculation you will not be entitled to use the university's libraries or other facilities.

*If you have been an undergraduate in an Oxford College, you are not permitted to matriculate again.*

Please arrive in the **Front Quadrangle at 9.30 am prompt to sign the register.**

After the ceremony in the Sheldonian is over, you are asked to return directly to the Front Quadrangle of the College for a group photograph of **new members**, which is to be taken at approximately 12.00 noon.

For both the ceremony and the photograph you should wear postgraduate gown, a mortar board or soft-cap, and your preferred sub fusc from the following list:

1. One of
  - a. Dark suit with dark socks, or
  - b. Dark skirt with black tights or stockings, or
  - c. Dark trousers with dark socks
2. Dark coat if required
3. Black shoes
4. Plain white collared shirt or blouse
5. White bow tie, black bow tie, black full-length tie, or black ribbon.

**Please wear dark face coverings for the ceremony.**

The event will take place in line with all Government and University COVID-19 guidance.

We understand that some students and staff may not be able to attend the event due to the pandemic. If you are unable to attend in-person because they cannot travel to Oxford, or are quarantining or self-isolating, you will be able to attend smaller ceremonies later in the year. If you have concerns about attending for health reasons, you will be able to apply to be matriculated in absentia via the usual processes.

**Please let me by noon of Friday, 8 October, whether you would prefer to matriculate in absentia.**

If you have any accessibility problems, please let me know in advance.

**Please note that the Bedels at the Sheldonian will not admit anyone to the ceremony who is not wearing academic dress exactly as set out above.**

Please note that family and friends are not allowed to attend the ceremony. They are, however, welcome to be there for the group photograph.

Best wishes  
Eva Reinhardt

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