



## SWINDON RESIDENTS' AND STUDENTS' YEAR PLANNER



### RECENT GRADUATES' NETWORK

We value our alumni and want to continue to support your development after you have graduated. There is a range of networking opportunities for you to tap into the skills and experience of your fellow alumni, as well as further courses, events and benefits that may interest you now and in the future.

**Enhance your Career.** Access to a range of career support, advice and networking opportunities.

**Find a Mentor.** Connect with fellow alumni in professional jobs and find a mentor.

**Alumni Benefits.** Receive 10% on postgraduate courses and a range of other benefits.

**Join Alumni Networks.** Get involved with alumni networks and attend recent graduate events.

**Support Brookes.** Make a difference and help increase student opportunities.

**Stay in Touch.** Join the community and keep up-to-date with Brookes news and events.

To find out more about your recent graduates community and how you can get involved.

[www.brookesalumni.co.uk/recentgraduates](http://www.brookesalumni.co.uk/recentgraduates)

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The University has a Community Engagement team with staff working to develop positive relationships with the local community. Our bespoke community engagement programme for Swindon Campus aims to support the local community, by promoting our open campus facilities, the benefits of Oxford Brookes to the community and the institution as a good neighbour.

To enable our students to get the most from their experience at Oxford Brookes, we offer co-curricular initiatives and volunteering opportunities within the local area, many of which help them to reach their potential and feel connected to their local community.

We encourage all of our students to be responsible, by providing information on how to be considerate and integrate with other cultures, religion and lifestyles to become good citizens.

As always we welcome your feedback and contributions, so please get in touch:

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### GOOD NEWS

Staff and students at Oxford Brookes Swindon Campus love to participate in external events for charity and promote what we do – which is train Adult Nurses and Operating Department Practitioners.

So far staff and students at Swindon Campus have been involved in the following:

- Wear a Hat Day – 14 March 2018. Continuing our support of Brain Tumour Research we held our Wear A Hat Day two weeks in advance of the national date and were generously supplied with donations of cakes. Lots of us wore our chosen headgear all day – some academic staff sporting theirs while giving lectures! By the end of the day all the cakes were gone and we had raised a healthy £133.70.
- On the 4 July 2018 we hosted a community simulation day for 35 year 9 students. This was a fantastic day where many healthcare professions came together and showcased our roles through simulation. Our session involves getting hands on with the spleen, looking at real surgical instruments, intubation heads and talking them through what really happens when people 'go off to sleep.'

- Chloe Rich, ODP Teaching Fellow, goes to Kenya each year to volunteer with a project there. Chloe is a proud member of the Exploring Global Health Opportunities charity and has been fortunate enough to travel to remote regions of Kenya to provide specialist education, training and healthcare services to local communities. Chloe recently returned from a trip to Marsabit Referral Hospital in February where over 25 operations were performed in six days for individuals who could not afford or had no access to health care services. During each visit the team donates essential equipment and develops tailored education programmes for the recognition and management of orthopaedic trauma, the deteriorating/seriously ill patient, perioperative care and improving patient safety.
- Aaron and Dermot presented a cheque to the Swindon-based charity Brighter Futures. A Total of £410 was raised after staff participated in a dragon boat racing competition in June 2017.

### TRANSPORT

Oxford Brookes University is committed to the promotion of sustainability, reducing the impacts of carbon emissions and making a 'net positive' impact on society as well as the environment. Further detail on wider sustainability initiatives can be found at: [www.brookes.ac.uk/about-brookes/sustainability](http://www.brookes.ac.uk/about-brookes/sustainability)

#### Walking

The campus can be accessed by foot, however, Great Western Way leading to Delta 900 has a footway on the western side only. A pedestrian and cycle underpass provides safe crossing of Great Western Way 600 metres south of the site and there is another underpass that crosses Mead Way 600 metres north of the site.

#### Cycling

A local cycleway connects the site to the town centre via safe, off-road cycleways, and will take approximately 15 minutes to cycle from the site to the town centre.

The railway station can be reached mainly via off-road routes and a short section of on-road local and national routes near the station. The average cycle time from the site to the railway station is 13 minutes.

A full cycle map of Swindon is available at: [www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/cycle](http://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/cycle)

There are a number of cycle racks and secure bike storage available on site. Please contact Caroline Robertson in the site office for further details.

#### Bus travel

The nearest bus stop to the site is located about 10 minutes walk from the site on Westlea Drive. A number of services use this stop.

- The 1/1A service between Fleming Way and the town centre operates with a 10 minutes frequency.
- The number 19 service operates a half hourly service.

In total this bus stop has 9 buses an hour providing a service to the town centre. Another bus stop is located on Paddington Drive, 900 metres east of the site.

[www.thamesdown-transport.co.uk](http://www.thamesdown-transport.co.uk)

For information on wider bus services operating to Swindon please use the following websites to get relevant travel information:

[www.traveline.info](http://www.traveline.info)  
[www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/bus](http://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/bus)

For Swindon Bus timetables and route maps, visit:

[www.swindonbus.info/timetables](http://www.swindonbus.info/timetables)  
[www.swindonbus.info/maps](http://www.swindonbus.info/maps)

#### Train

The nearest railway station to the site is Swindon located 3.3 km away. It is managed by First Great Western and provides frequent services to Bristol, Cardiff, Swansea, Bath, Didcot, Reading, London and Cheltenham Spa. The railway station is located 200 meters from the bus station which means that Delta 900 has an excellent connection to the railway station.

Oxford Brookes Swindon Campus is approximately 45 minutes walking, 25 minutes bus ride, and about a 10 minute taxi ride away from the Swindon Station.

All full time students qualify for a 16-25 Young Persons Rail Card. The card gives holders a 1/3 off rail tickets. If you are an adult student you can apply for the rail card by providing signed proof that from you lecturer that you are in full time education.

#### Parking

With increased numbers of students at the Swindon Campus, parking on site is extremely limited, (Staff and students must be living more than 45 minutes from campus) and the University is operating a permit system.

Some parking spaces are available to those who fulfil the eligibility criteria. Permits cost £10 per year plus a daily charge of £1 (50p for 4 hours or less) during peak hours (07.00 – 16.30, Monday to Friday). Outside of peak hours staff and students with a permit will be able to park for free on the sites at which their permit is valid.

Staff can apply for a parking permit here:

[www.brookes.ac.uk/travel/parking/staff-car-parking](http://www.brookes.ac.uk/travel/parking/staff-car-parking)

Students can apply for a parking permit here:

[www.brookes.ac.uk/travel/parking/student-car-parking](http://www.brookes.ac.uk/travel/parking/student-car-parking)

#### Liftshare

Students coming from areas not well served by public transport are requested to car share with others where possible, which will also save them travel costs. You can sign-up to the Swindon liftshare website at the following weblink to find others to share your journey to Swindon with <https://swindon.liftshare.com>

Please also note that, should a permit be issued to you, this does not guarantee you a space, with parking available on a first come first served basis. You are not permitted to park in other business car parks with in the Delta 900 business park. Cars are parked at the owner's own risk.

#### Accessibility & Local facilities

Although the area immediately adjacent to the site mainly includes commercial development, there are some local facilities, including a shop, cash point and hotel.

The nearest supermarket is Sainsbury's on Paddington Drive, located 1.4 km from the site.

Swindon town centre is located 2.7 km from the site which is approximately a 33 minute walk.



# 2018/2019 PLANNER

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER					
MON		3	10	17 Wk 0 <i>Semester 1 starts</i>	24 Wk 1	1 Wk 2	8 Wk 3	15 Wk 4	22 Wk 5	29 Wk 6	5 Wk 7	12 Wk 8	19 Wk 9	26 Wk 10	MON
TUE		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6 <i>Student Impact Fund deadline</i>	13	20	27	TUE
WED		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31 <i>Halloween</i>	7	14	21 <i>Community Engagement meeting 2pm</i>	28	WED
THU		6	13	20	27 <i>Services 4 student</i>	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	THU
FRI		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30 <i>St Andrew's Day</i>	FRI
SAT	1 <i>ODP Graduations</i>	8 <i>Swindon Railway Festival</i>	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24		SAT
SUN	2	9 <i>Swindon Railway Festival</i>	16	23	30	7	14	21	28 <i>BST ends - clocks go back</i>	4	11 <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	18	25		SUN
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY					
MON		3 Wk 11	10 Wk 12	17	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>	7	14	21 Wk 0 <i>Semester 2 starts</i>	28 Wk 1	4 Wk 2	11 Wk 3	18 Wk 4	25 Wk 5	MON
TUE		4	11	18	25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	8	15	22	29	5	12 <i>Student Impact Fund deadline</i>	19	26	TUE
WED		5	12	19	26 <i>Boxing Day</i>	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	WED
THU		6	13	20	27 <i>Semester 1 ends</i>	3	10	17	24	31	7	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	21	28	THU
FRI		7	14	21	28 <i>Christmas closure</i>	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22		FRI
SAT	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23		SAT
SUN	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24		SUN
MARCH					APRIL					MAY					
MON		4 Wk 6	11 Wk 7	18 Wk 8	25 Wk 9	1 Wk 10	8 Wk 11	15 <i>Easter Break</i>	22 <i>Easter Break Bank Holiday</i>	29 Wk 12	6 <i>Bank Holiday</i>	13	20	27 <i>Bank Holiday</i>	MON
TUE		5	12	19	26	2	9	16 <i>Easter Break</i>	23 <i>Easter Break</i>	30	7	14	21	28	TUE
WED		6	13	20	27 <i>Community Engagement meeting 2pm</i>	3	10	17 <i>Easter Break</i>	24 <i>Easter Break</i>	1	8	15	22	29	WED
THU		7	14	21	28	4	11	18 <i>Easter Break</i>	25 <i>Easter Break</i>	2	9	16	23	30	THU
FRI	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19 <i>Easter Break Good Friday</i>	26 <i>Easter Break</i>	3	10	17	24	31	FRI
SAT	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		SAT
SUN	3	10	17 <i>St Patrick's Day</i>	24	31 <i>Mother's Day BST begins - clocks forward</i>	7	14	21 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	28	5	12 <i>International Nurses Day</i>	19 <i>Semester 2 ends</i>	26		SUN
JUNE					JULY					AUGUST					
MON		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26 <i>Bank Holiday</i>	MON
TUE		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	TUE
WED		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	WED
THU		6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	THU
FRI		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	FRI
SAT	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	31	SAT
SUN	2	9	16 <i>Father's Day</i>	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		SUN

## ADULT NURSING PLACEMENT SCHEDULE AND DATES

PLACEMENT SCHEDULE	PLACEMENT DATES
<b>Year 1 (Starting in September 2018)</b>	Monday 26 November 2018 – Friday 21 December 2018 Monday 7 January 2019 – Friday 25 January 2019 Monday 18 February 2019 – Friday 22 March 2019 Monday 27 May 2019 – Friday 26 July 2019
<b>Year 1 (Students from January 2018 cohort completing first year)</b>	Monday 3 September 2018 – Friday 28 September 2018 Monday 29 October 2018 – Friday 23 November 2018
<b>Year 2 (September 2017 starting 2nd year)</b>	Monday 8 October 2018 – Friday 16 November 2018 Monday 7 January 2019 – Friday 15 February 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 24 May 2019 Monday 1 July 2019 – Friday 2 August 2019
<b>Year 2 (January 2018, Sponsored students, completing 2nd year)</b>	Monday 10 September 2018 – Friday 5 October 2018 Monday 19 November 2018 – Friday 21 December 2018
<b>Year 2 (January 2017 completing 2nd year)</b>	Monday 10 September 2018 – Friday 5 October 2018 Monday 19 November 2018 – Friday 21 December 2018
<b>Year 2 (January 2018 starting 2nd year)</b>	Monday 18 February 2019 – Friday 22 March 2019 Monday 17 June 2019 – Friday 26 July 2019
<b>Year 3 (September 2016 starting 3rd year)</b>	Monday 29 October 2018 – Friday 2 December 2018 Monday 25 March 2019 – Friday 12 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 28 June 2019
<b>Year 3 (January 2016 completing 3rd year)</b>	Monday 1 October 2018 – Friday 21 December 2018
<b>Year 3 (January 2017 and January 2018 sponsored students starting Year 3)</b>	Monday 11 March 2019 – Friday 12 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 24 May 2019

## ODP STUDENTS PLACEMENT SCHEDULE AND DATES

PLACEMENT SCHEDULE	PLACEMENT DATES
<b>BSc Stage One</b>	Monday 5 November 2018 – Friday 14 December 2018 Monday 7 January 2019 – Friday 1 February 2019 Monday 18 March 2019 – Friday 12 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 10 May 2019
<b>DipHE Stage One</b>	Monday 5 November 2018 – Friday 14 December 2018 Monday 7 January 2019 – Friday 1 February 2019 Monday 18 March 2019 – Friday 12 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 10 May 2019 Monday 20 May 2019 – Friday 12 July 2019
<b>BSc Stage Two</b>	Monday 1 October 2018 – Friday 19 October 2018 Monday 5 November 2018 – Friday 14 December 2018 Monday 28 January 2019 – Friday 15 February 2019 Monday 25 February 2019 – Friday 15 March 2019 Monday 25 March 2019 – Friday 5 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 10 May 2019
<b>DipHE Stage Two</b>	Monday 1 October 2018 – Friday 19 October 2018 Monday 5 November 2018 – Friday 14 December 2018 Monday 28 January 2019 – Friday 15 February 2019 Monday 25 February 2019 – Friday 15 March 2019 Monday 25 March 2019 – Friday 5 April 2019 Monday 29 April 2019 – Friday 10 May 2019 Monday 20 May 2019 – Friday 12 July 2019

Dates and times correct at the time of printing.