



OXBRIDGE PREPARATION PROGRAMME



“For students aspiring to study at the prestigious universities of Oxford, Cambridge and other top UK universities, this course will bring clarity to your thinking and writing skills. You will attend the University of Oxford Open Day, visit the University of Cambridge and universities in London. You will have lectures with academics from The University of Cambridge as well as other prestigious colleges to help you prepare your application”



CAMBRIDGE, UK

WHAT'S INCLUDED:



TUITION

Academic Concepts to stand out from your peers and workshops comprised of discussion and reflection sessions to activate conceptual studies.



LECTURES

Lectures from university academics and alumni - including the University of Cambridge.



ACTIVITIES

We offer a variety of onsite and offsite activities. Our activities provide opportunities for students to have a fun and make international friends.



EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Our educational visits provide the perfect complement to lectures and workshops and give a real world perspective to our courses. They include visits to both Oxford and Cambridge University.



EXCURSIONS

Full day excursions allow students to really get to know the UK. We use major destinations such as London as a classroom, where students will find creative and cultural information through guided walks and visits to museums and other places of interest.



CERTIFICATE

Awarded for the successful completion of the course.

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BE READY FOR YOUR INTERVIEW

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course combines lectures, workshops, lessons and educational visits to create a well-rounded and thorough academic programme. Lectures will introduce topics such as research proposals, critical thinking and the place of philosophy in learning, while workshops will focus on practical skills such as verbal and non-verbal reasoning and using secondary sources in argumentation. During the lessons students will be able to develop their personal statement for university entrance and look at how selected university entrance tests work. Visits in the first week to both Oxford and Cambridge Universities will provide an insight into life at these prestigious institutions as well as what is required to succeed in their application processes.

PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

You will:

- Have a better understanding of what life is like as an Oxbridge student
- Complete an independent research project and demonstrate your interest for a particular subject
- Write a personal statement
- Practise and develop your Oxbridge interview skills and receive advice on how to improve your performance
- Enjoy lectures from Cambridge academics and admissions officers.

ACTIVITIES & EXCURSIONS

One full-day excursion per week is included. Destinations may include London, Warwick Castle or Canterbury. The onsite activities programme is both fun and varied and has something that will interest both creative and sporty students alike. Each day will end with an energetic evening activity which encourages students to socialise with their new international friends. Evening activities are varied and fun and may include discos, talent shows and international evenings.

COURSE INFORMATION

CLASS SIZE: Maximum 16

AGE RANGE: 16 - 17

COURSE LENGTH: 3 weeks

ACADEMIC Upper intermediate

REQUIREMENTS/ B2 level

LANGUAGE LEVEL: recommended

START DATES: 26/06/22

FEES: £3,900.00 (3 weeks)

SAMPLE PROGRAMME

WEEK 1		MORNING			AFTERNOON		EVENING		
		09.00 - 12.00			13.00 - 16.30		19.30 - 22.00		
SUN	BREAKFAST	Arrival at accommodation and induction from house parents					DINNER	Welcome Evening & Ice Breaker Activities	
MON		Introduction, course aims, orientation and English testing	Using UCAS: an introduction to Oxbridge application	LUNCH	Lecture: The development of Cambridge University	Lecture: Introduction to the research proposal		Welcome Disco or Drama Workshop	
TUES		Workshop: Fixed / growth mind set	Workshop: Statement paragraphs – how to organise		Lecture: The place of philosophy in learning	Visit: Kettles Yard		"Who wants to be a Millionaire?" Quiz Night	
WEDS		Oxford University Open Day*						International Night	
THUR		Workshop: Using secondary sources	Lesson: Expectations of an Oxbridge statement	LUNCH	Lecture: The application of critical thinking to university study	Workshop: Presentation of the research proposal		Casino Night or English Conversation Club	
FRI		Cambridge University Open Day*						Beach Party Disco or Sports	
SAT		Included Full Day Excursion: London, Walking Tour & British Museum						Chill Out Evening including Films, Popcorn & Board Games	

WEEK 2		MORNING			AFTERNOON		EVENING		
		09.00 - 12.00			13.00 - 16.30		19.30 - 22.00		
SUN	BREAKFAST	Local Visit: a Museum in Cambridge					DINNER	Free Time	
MON		Workshop: Myers Briggs	Lesson: Refining the personal statement	LUNCH	Lecture: The application of mathematical ideas to everyday life	Lecture: Gathering data. Statistics and what they can tell us		Fancy Dress Disco or Arts & Crafts e.g. Graffiti Design	
TUES		Lecture: The psychology of learning – from Plato to Piaget	Lesson: One to one discussion of the personal statement		Lecture: The role of Art in creating knowledge	Workshop: Interpretation of statistics		Game show Night	
WEDS		Lecture: Fixed / growth mind set	Workshop: Verbal and Non-verbal reasoning	LUNCH	Lecture: Psychology as a science. Research and results	Local visit: Zoology Museum		"Cambridge's Got Talent!" Talent Show	
THUR		Lesson: Public speaking. Presentation of a chosen short poem	Lesson: Introduction to a seminar		Lecture: Politics and the place of debate	Lecture: Creating an effective presentation using PowerPoint		Murder Mystery Activity	
FRI		Workshop: Using secondary sources	Lesson: Entrance tests. Examples and the significance of these	LUNCH	Lecture: Science – truth, knowledge and understanding	Workshop: First draft of research proposal. Issues of data gathering		Masked Ball Disco or Sports	
SAT		Included Full Day Excursion: Warwick, Warwick Castle & Walking Tour						Chill Out Evening including Films, Popcorn & Board Games	

WEEK 3		MORNING			AFTERNOON		EVENING		
		09.00 - 12.00			13.00 - 16.30		19.30 - 22.00		
SUN	BREAKFAST	Visit: Cambridge, Punting & Afternoon Shopping					DINNER	Free Time	
MON		Lecture: An introduction to the art of debating	Lesson: Subject specific statements and evidence of suitability	LUNCH	Lecture: Economics – the role and significance to study	Lecture: The growth of rationale thinking, objectivity & empirical data		"Rock Night" Disco or English Conversation Club	
TUES		Workshop: Reflection as a lifelong process	Lecture: Resilience, persistence and adaptability		Lecture: Values in a post truth society	Workshop: The strengths & weaknesses of different data types		Music Quiz	
WEDS		Lesson: Debate	Lecture: Talk from Durham Alumni	LUNCH	Lecture: Sociology and the significance of socialisation	Local visit: Anthropology Museum		Bin Bag Fashion Show	
THUR		Lesson: Reflection and level 10 planning	Lesson: Finalising personal statement		Lecture: Anthropology – the journeys of an adventurer.	Lesson: Presentation and feedback of research proposal		"Oscars Night"	
FRI		Lesson: Review of the reflective diary and portfolio	Lesson: Presentation of personal statement	LUNCH	Lecture: Cryptology – the growth and role	Lesson: Presentation and feedback of research proposal		Farewell Disco or Sports	
SAT		Included Full Day Excursion: Canterbury, Walking Tour & Canterbury Cathedral						Chill Out Evening including Films, Popcorn & Board Games	
SUN	Departure								

This is a sample programme and all elements may be subject to change.
*Dates for university open days have yet to be released, dates shown in this sample programme are subject to change.