

Zhejiang University at Hertford College - 2014

3 week programme

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Arrival Day Sunday	The Residential Advisors (RAs) will meet you at the airport, accompany and assist you during your stay. The RAs will ensure that you have a fun and safe time while you are in Oxford. All RAs are current Oxford undergraduates and will help you to settle in as well as giving you the opportunity to make friends and practise your English. In the evenings, they will organise a varied programme including visits and activities (your participation is optional). Typical activities include: sports evenings, punting, visits to colleges, games and DVD evenings and cookery sessions. Some sessions can have an academic focus, such as ‘debate night’ or a ‘public speaking competition’ with students from other universities. The RAs will also be happy to help you plan your free time. They are looking forward to meeting you! • Arrive at Heathrow Airport, London. • Hertford College Residential Advisors (RAs) will meet you. • Travel to Oxford by private coach. You will stay in Oxford University Accommodation. On arrival: supper and welcome information.						
Week ONE	9.00 – 10.30am		11 – 12.30pm		2 – 4pm		Evening
First teaching day Monday	Introductions • Speaking practice Speaking activities • Mingling activity: meet your teachers and find out more about your	B R E A K	An Introduction to Oxford and the University	L U N C H	Welcome Tea at 3.30pm: Sample a delicious and traditional cream tea in the splendid surroundings of Hertford College’s historic dining hall. Please wear smart clothes. Bring your camera!	D I N E R	Orientation: • Accommodation • Facilities • Connecting your computers to the internet

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	classmates						
Day 2 Tuesday	Lecture: An overview of English Literature and Oxford authors	B R E A K	Lecture: An overview of English Literature and Oxford authors continued	L U N C H	Alice in Wonderland: Introduction, activities and visit to the Alice shop	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: a walk by the river Thames)
Day 3 Wednesday	Lecture: A history of religion in the UK	B R E A K	Lecture: A history of religion in the UK	L U N C H	Oxford's Famous Faces (famous people associated with Oxford)	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: watch a Shakespeare play in an Oxford College garden)
Day 4 Thursday	Introduction to student presentations How to plan and deliver a presentation	B R E A K	Introduction to student presentations How to plan and deliver a presentation effectively	L U N C H	British Society and Culture: Introduction to London in preparation for tomorrow's study visit	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: River walk)

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Day 5 Friday	Trip to London: Enjoy a trip to the capital city and experience all the magical sights and sounds of London in the comfort and safety of your private coach.						
Day 6 Saturday	Weekend: At the weekend you have free time. If you wish to stay in Oxford, your RAs are available for Oxford activities, such as punting, walking tours, shopping, college and museum visits. Alternatively, some students choose to travel independently to nearby place of interest such as: • London • Stratford upon Avon • Bath and Stonehenge						
Day 7 Sunday	Weekend						
Week TWO	9.00 – 10.30am		11.00 – 12.30pm		2 – 4pm		Evening
Day 8 Monday	Lecture: Current economic issues in the UK and Europe	B R E A K	Lecture: Current economic issues in the UK and Europe	L U N C H	British Culture: Explore Britain's festivals, traditions and folklore	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: inter-collegiate sports evening)

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Day 9 Tuesday	Lecture: The British Monarchy and constitution	B R E A K	Lecture: The British Monarchy and constitution	L U N C H	Oxford College Walking Tour: Visit Oxford's most famous colleges	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: go to a gig (jazz, blues, rock, pop) in Oxford with your RAs)
Day 10 Wednesday	Pronunciation workshop: (<i>Example</i>) Connected speech in natural English: noticing and practicing assimilation and elision	B R E A K	Advanced level presentation English: Fine tuning of presentations: - Language check - Body language and communicating with your audience	L U N C H	British Culture: The History of the English Language	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: attend an Oxford debating evening with students from other universities, facilitated by your RAs)
Day 11 Thursday	Academic debating skills: - The language of debate: expressing your opinion and comments - Mini debate in groups	B R E A K	Academic debating skills: - The language of debate: expressing your opinion and comments - Mini debate in groups	L U N C H	Lecture on Shakespeare and Stratford in preparation for tomorrow's study visit	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: listen to classical music at the Sheldonian Theatre or in an Oxford College or take part in a music session with RAs)

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Day 12 Friday	Trip: Warwick Castle and Stratford: See the Castle and its dungeon, towers, Great Hall and gardens. Also, witness demonstrations of archery, medieval armoured combat, falconry, jousting and the firing of a replica trebuchet (very exciting). Stratford is both the birthplace, and burial place of Shakespeare. In Stratford you can tour the house where Shakespeare was born, see the school where he was educated and visit his tomb in Holy Trinity Church. A fee is charged to visit both Shakespeare's birthplace and tomb. In Stratford you can also see the theatres used by the Royal Shakespeare Company. You will be accompanied and guided by the RAs.						
Day 13 Saturday	Free time (as explained on day 6)						
Day 14 Sunday	Free time (as explained on day 6)						
Week THREE	9.00 – 10.30am		11.00 – 12.30pm		2 – 4pm		Evening
Day 15 Monday	Academic Writing workshop: Supporting details: facts, quotations and statistics - Focus on the three parts of an essay - Writing practice	B R E A K	Academic Writing workshop continued	L U N C H	Guided tour of the world famous Bodleian Library	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: College tour - visit some of Oxford's most renowned colleges)
Day 16 Tuesday	Lecture: British Society: trends and change	B R E A K	Lecture: British Society: trends and change continued	L U N C H	Workplace English Job seeking skills: How to perform well at a job interview	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: Film night)

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Day 17 Wednesday	Lecture: The Ashmolean Museum. An in-depth look at the history and highlights of this remarkable collection.	B R E A K	Visit: The Ashmolean Museum. Complete a series of questions as you enjoy the beautiful exhibits	L U N C H	Workplace English Job seeking skills: • How to write an effective covering letter or personal statement	D I N N E R	Cultural activities with RAs (Suggestion: debate evening)
Day 18 Thursday	End of Course Presentations • Students deliver presentations in small groups before an audience	B R E A K	End of Course Presentations (cont)	L U N C H	Presentation feedback session	D I N N E R	GALA DINNER Celebrate your success at a memorable candle-lit dinner in the historic dining hall at Hertford College where you will be presented with a certificate at the end-of-course ceremony. This is a special event so please wear smart clothes and bring your camera!
Day 19 Friday	Free day						
Day 20	Departure day: You will be accompanied by the RAs in a private coach to the airport.						

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Saturday	
<u>Meals:</u> • On class days, you are offered breakfast, lunch and dinner. • On trip days you are offered breakfast, a packed lunch and dinner. • Weekend: Saturday you are offered breakfast. Sunday you are offered breakfast and dinner. • On free-weekdays (Monday-Friday) you are offered breakfast, lunch and dinner.	