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For details of University events, see the ‘Events’ page of the Staff Gateway: www.ox.ac.uk/staff/event-listing
Council and Main Committees

Council of the University

Nomination of external member of Council

Under regulation 9.3 of Congregation Regulations 2 of 2002, the nomination below shall be deemed to be approved unless not later than 4pm on Thursday, 27 November, the Registrar has received from not fewer than 20 members of Congregation a written request for a postal ballot to be taken in respect of that nomination.

Approval of nomination of the Right Honourable Lord Drayson as an external member of Council

The nomination by Council, under the provisions of section 4 (7)-(10) of Statute VI, of the Right Honourable Lord Drayson as a member of Council for four years from Michaelmas term 2014, is submitted for approval.

Note on the nominated external member of Council

The Right Honourable Lord Drayson (Paul Drayson) graduated in Production Engineering (Aston University, 1982) and has a PhD in Robotics (Aston University, 1985). His early career was with BL Technology and Trebor Group as a Development Engineer. He then began his career as a science entrepreneur, founding Lambourn Food Company in 1987, leading its management buyout in 1989 and founding Genisys Development in 1991. In 1993 he co-founded and was Chairman and CEO of PowderJect, an Oxford University technology company. After its management buyout in 1989, the company has been a member of the Privy Council since 2008. In 2007 he co-founded Drayson Racing Technologies LLP, a motorsport research and development business based near Oxford airport, and he is currently Managing Partner. He has considerable motor racing experience including racing twice in the Le Mans 24-Hours. Lord Drayson was Science Entrepreneur in Residence at the Said Business School from 2003–5. He has been a member of the Advisory Board at Isis Innovation, Chairman of Oxford Children’s Hospital Appeal and since 2010 has been President of the Motorsports Industry Association. He is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering. Lord Drayson has been a member of Council since Hilary term 2014.

Congregation

Degree by Resolution

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University committees

Vacancies for Appointment by Council and/or its GPC

Council’s General Purposes Committee (GPC) invites members of the University (subject to eligibility) to submit expressions of interest in relation to the following vacancies to which it or Council appoints.

Any eligible person who wishes to have his or her name put forward for consideration is encouraged to speak with his or her head of division or head of house, and/or with the relevant committee members or officers to obtain more information about the role, prior to submitting an expression of interest. Expressions received from individuals will be collated by the Council Secretariat with those names received through other routes (such as via heads of division, heads of house or committee officers directly).

All names will then be reviewed by the Registrar and Vice-Chancellor prior to being forwarded to GPC and/or Council for consideration as the appointing bodies for these committees.

The purpose of this invitation is to broaden the pool of potential candidates brought to the attention of the appointing body. The names put to the appointing body are only suggestions. It should be noted that the appointing body remains free to take its own decision, irrespective of any names received through this route. In particular, to support the commitments made by the University under its equality scheme, the appointing body will take into consideration the overall balance of membership on the body concerned, with reference to the appropriate representation of ethnicity, disability, age and gender.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

A person appointed by Council from the divisions (vice Professor J A Noble, MPLS) to serve from MT 2015 until MT 2018.
Further information:
Remit: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/regulations/520-122.shtml
Current Membership: https://www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/councilsec/governance/committees/committeemembership/researchcommitteemembership
Contact: gillian.rendle@admin.ox.ac.uk

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE (CUREC)
Two members appointed to ensure appropriate representation of areas of research involving human participants or personal data: one (vice Professor O J Braddock) to serve from MT 2015 until MT 2019, and one (vice Professor C C Hood) to serve with immediate effect until MT 2018

Further information:
Remit: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/regulations/520-122e.shtml
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Contact: curec@admin.ox.ac.uk

STUDENT DISCIPLINARY PANEL
Two members (vice Dr T C Buchanan and Dr E J Garnett) to serve from MT 2015 until MT 2018

Further information:
Remit: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/352-051a.shtml#_Toc281423345
Current Membership: available upon request to the Secretary
Contact: sian.griffiths@admin.ox.ac.uk

UNIVERSITY CLUB MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Three members: two (vice Dr B W Byrne and Ms M J Parrott) to serve with immediate effect until MT 2017, and one (vice Mr J Silk) to serve from MT 2015 until MT 2018

Further information:
Remit: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/regulations/181-094.shtml#_Toc96825838
Current Membership: available upon request to the Secretary
Contact: jon.roycroft@sport.ox.ac.uk

VISITORS OF THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
A person appointed by Council (vice Professor J Michie) to serve from MT 2015 until MT 2018

Further information:
Remit: www.admin.ox.ac.uk/statutes/regulations/527-122.shtml
Current Membership: available upon request to the Secretary
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Consultative Notices

Committee on Statutes before the Privy Council

MERTON COLLEGE: REVISED STATUTES

The Committee on Statutes before the Privy Council, acting under authority delegated to it by Council, is minded to give consent on behalf of the University to the revised statutes of Merton College, approved by the Governing Body on 5 November 2014, in so far as such consent is required by section 7 (2) of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1923. The consent of the committee to the amendments to the statutes will be effective 11 days after publication of this notice unless written notice of a resolution, signed by at least 20 members of Congregation, calling upon Council to withhold that consent, has been given to the Registrar by noon on Monday, 8 December.

The revised statutes constitute a comprehensive revision and modification of the previous statutes to remove obsolete, superfluous and superseded material. The revisions also include the following changes: (i) the addition of new provisions governing the custody of the college seal, remuneration of trustees, reimbursement of trustee expenses, services provided by trustees and the management of conflicts of interest; (ii) the procedures for appointing a Warden and the terms of appointment have been simplified to allow for greater flexibility; (iii) definitions of classes of Fellows have been clarified and extended to allow inter alia for short-term appointment as members of the Governing Body of a small number of ‘external’ persons who are neither officers of the college nor persons holding posts within the University; (iv) new statutes have been introduced containing details of the circumstances in which a Fellowship must be vacated, including disqualification from serving as a trustee under the Charities Act 2006; (v) the addition of new provisions governing Junior Members; and (v) an amendment to the provisions governing the Visitor to take into account the enactment of the Higher Education Act 2004.

General Notices

Gazette distribution arrangements

PUBLICATION DATES

The final Gazettes of Michaelmas term will be published on 4 and 11 December.

The first Gazette of Hilary term will be published on 15 January. The usual deadlines will apply.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM HILARY TERM

From the start of Hilary term 2015, we are changing the way in which deliveries of the Gazette are managed. This also affects the other publications delivered alongside the Gazette.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information see the full notice in Gazette No 5074, 23 October 2014, and for the answers to frequently asked questions, please see www.ox.ac.uk/gazette/subs.

MSc in Neuroscience

APPROVAL DEADLINES

Essay topics must be approved by the appropriate Module Organiser before the deadlines given below:
Module A2: Learning and Memory: 11 March 2015
Module B2: Computational Neuroscience: no approval deadline
Module C1: CNS Development and Plasticity: 13 March 2015
SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Essays must be submitted online via WebLearn (unless otherwise noted) by noon (UK time) on the deadlines given below:

- Module A1: Cognitive Neuroscience: 2 April 2015
- Module A2: Learning and Memory: 20 March 2015
- Module B2: Computational Neuroscience: 13 March 2015 (2 hard copies to be submitted to Examination Schools)
- Module C1: CNS Development and Plasticity: 30 March 2015

University Policy on Gifts and Hospitality

On 14 July 2014, Council approved amendments to the University’s Gifts and Hospitality Policy following feedback from departments about the record-keeping requirements of the policy. In summary, Council agreed to raise the threshold for record-keeping in relation to gifts and hospitality received or provided from £100 to £250 (either in a single transaction or cumulatively over any rolling 12-month period), where such gifts and hospitality are directly connected with the University's core activities of teaching and research, and where there is clearly no intention, or appearance, of undue influence. The purpose of the change is to reduce the administrative burden for departments, through relying on the judgement of individual academics, while still maintaining adequate and effective procedures to mitigate the risk of bribery occurring. The revised policy can be viewed at www.admin.ox.ac.uk/councilsec/compliance/giftshospitality/giftshospitalitypolicy (sections 2.3.1, 3.4.1 and 4.1.2 have been updated).

Visiting Professorships

Social Sciences

CONFERMENT OF TITLE

The Social Sciences Division has, on the recommendation of the Blavatnik School of Government, conferred the title of Visiting Professor on Professor Sir Lawrence Freedman with effect from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2018.

The Social Sciences Division has, on the recommendation of the Blavatnik School of Government, conferred the title of Visiting Professor on Professor Eldar Shafir with effect from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2018.

RECONFIRMATION OF TITLE

The Social Sciences Division has, on the recommendation of the Blavatnik School of Government, reconfirmed the title of Visiting Professor on Professor Joseph Nye with effect from 1 October 2014 until 30 September 2016.

Musical and other Events

Corpus Christi

Le Rossignol en Amour (Francis Knights and Joshua Getzler) will perform works for clavichord and baroque flute by C P E Bach at 2.30pm on 13 December in Corpus Christi chapel, to mark the end of the tercentenary year. Free admission with retiring collection.

St Stephen’s House

The following events will be given at 7.30pm on concert nights.


Lectures

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences

Mathematical Institute

OXFORD MATHEMATICS CHRISTMAS PUBLIC LECTURE

Andrew Wiles will present the first Oxford Mathematics Christmas Public Lecture at 4pm on 11 December in Lecture Theatre 1, Andrew Wiles Building. Please register by emailing: christmaslecture@maths.ox.ac.uk.

Subject: The story of equations

Institutes, Centres and Museums

Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism

MEDIA AND POLITICS SEMINAR

Corrigendum:

The speaker for the 28 November seminar has been changed to Tim Harford, author, Financial Times columnist and Radio 4 presenter.

Subject: ‘In praise of mess’
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Obituaries

Christ Church

Christopher Ingram Bostock, OBE, FCA, 14 October 2014; 1942. Aged 91.

Gavin William Brown, FRCS, Hon RAM, 13 August 2014; 1943. Aged 89.


George Barber Munroe, 19 August 2014; 1949. Aged 92.

David Martin Renshaw, 8 September 2014; 1953. Aged 80.


Merton

James Joseph Louis Greene, 4 November 2014; Rhodes Scholar 1949. Aged 86.

St Hilda’s


Jocelyn Margaret Morris, FSA, 12 November 2014; 1940. Aged 97.


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Gazette publication arrangements
Advertisers are asked to note that the remaining Gazettes of Michaelmas term will be published on 4 and 11 December. Publication for Hilary term will begin on 15 January. The usual deadline will continue to apply (see above).

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Drug discovery event
Oxford Biotech warmly invites you to its upcoming event on ‘The future of drug discovery: open innovation’ to be held at 6pm on Thurs 4 Dec in the Medical Sciences Teaching Centre. Speakers include Prof Andrew Hamilton, Prof Chas Bountra (SGC), Prof Birgitta Andersen (Big Innovation Centre), Dr Mark Whittaker (Evotec), Dr Hitesh Sanganee (AstraZeneca) and Dr Trevor Howe (J&J). More information and free registration: www.oxfordbiotech.org.

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