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Calendar

20 May, Friday. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m.
21 May, Saturday. Easter Term divides. Congregation of the Regent House at 10 a.m.
26 May, Thursday. Ascension day. Scarlet day.
31 May, Tuesday. Discussion by videoconference at 2 p.m. (see below).
5 June, Sunday. Whitsunday. Scarlet day. Preacher before the University at 10 a.m., The Revd Dr Jane Leach, Fellow-Commoner of Jesus College and member of Fitzwilliam College, Principal of Wesley House and sometime President of the Cambridge Theological Federation (Ramsden Preacher) (see below).

Discussions (Tuesdays at 2 p.m.)

31 May
21 June
12 July

Congregations (at 10 a.m. unless otherwise stated)

20 May, Friday
21 May, Saturday
22 June, Wednesday at 2.45 p.m. (Honorary Degrees)
29 June, Wednesday (General Admission)
30 June, Thursday (General Admission)
1 July, Friday (General Admission)
2 July, Saturday (General Admission)
22 July, Friday
23 July, Saturday

Discussion on Tuesday, 31 May 2022

The Vice-Chancellor invites members of the Regent House, University and College employees, registered students and others qualified under the regulations for Discussions (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 111) to attend a Discussion via videoconference on Tuesday, 31 May 2022 at 2 p.m. The following item will be discussed:


Those wishing to join the Discussion by videoconference should email UniversityDraftsman@admin.cam.ac.uk from their University email account, providing their CRSid (if a member of the collegiate University), by 10 a.m. on the date of the Discussion to receive joining instructions. Alternatively contributors may email remarks to contact@proctors.cam.ac.uk, copying ReporterEditor@admin.cam.ac.uk, by no later than 10 a.m. on the day of the Discussion, for reading out by the Proctors, or ask someone else who is attending to read the remarks on their behalf.

In accordance with Grace 3 of 12 January 2022, the Chair of the Board of Scrutiny or any ten members of the Regent House may request that the Council arrange for one or more of the items listed for discussion to be discussed in person (usually in the Senate-House). Requests should be made to the Registrary, on paper or by email to UniversityDraftsman@admin.cam.ac.uk from addresses within the cam.ac.uk domain, by no later than 9 a.m. on the day of the Discussion. Any changes to the Discussion schedule will be confirmed in the Reporter at the earliest opportunity.

General information on Discussions is provided on the University Governance site at https://www.governance.cam.ac.uk/governance/decision-making/discussions/.

1 Any comments sent by email should please begin with the name and title of the contributor as they wish it to be read out and include at the start a note of any College and/or Departmental affiliations held.


Ramsden Preacher

The Vice-Chancellor gives notice that the Ramsden Sermon at 10 a.m. on Sunday, 5 June 2022 will be given by The Revd Dr Jane Leach, Fellow-Commoner of Jesus College and member of Fitzwilliam College, Principal of Wesley House and sometime President of the Cambridge Theological Federation. The Preacher announced earlier has withdrawn.
Amending Statutes for Emmanuel College

5 May 2022
The Vice-Chancellor gives notice that he has received from the Governing Body of Emmanuel College, in accordance with the provisions of Section 7(2) of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, the text of proposed Statutes to amend the Statutes of the College. The current Statutes of the College and the proposed amendments are available on the College’s website at: https://www.emma.cam.ac.uk/about/documents/. The Council will consider the amendments after 10 a.m. on Friday, 27 May 2022.

University of Cambridge Financial Regulations

5 May 2022
The Council, on the advice of the Finance Committee and the University’s internal auditors, has approved an amendment to the Financial Regulations. This amendment takes effect from 1 June 2022 and revises the Regulations published in the Statutes and Ordinances (p. 1064).

The purpose of the Financial Regulations is to ensure the proper use of finances and resources in a manner which not only satisfies the requirements of internal control expected of a substantial and prominent organisation, but also fulfils any legal or financial obligations as laid down by the Statutes and Ordinances of the University, HM Revenue and Customs, the Office for Students, and other authorities.

The last sentence of paragraph 31.3 concerning expenses has been revised to read as follows, to confirm that compliance with the Financial Procedure on expenses is mandatory:

Staff must follow the rules on expenses reimbursement as set out in the Financial Procedures Manual.

Related changes have also been made to the Financial Procedure on expenses.

HR Consultation: Comments by Tuesday, 31 May 2022

The following HR consultation is taking place during the Easter Term 2022:

• Mutual Respect Policy – Proposal to replace the current Dignity at Work Policy with a new Mutual Respect Policy, to include a code of behaviour; and
• Grievance Policy – Proposal to introduce a combined Grievance Policy to cover all unestablished employees.

Responses to the consultation are welcomed. Please see https://www.hr.admin.cam.ac.uk/hr-policy-consultations-easter-term-2022-full for full details and how to provide comments (Raven required; please use an @cam email address). The deadline for responses is **5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 31 May 2022.**

VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

Vacancies in the University

A full list of current vacancies can be found at https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk.

Maintenance Technician (Electrical bias) in the Sainsbury Laboratory; salary: £27,116–£31,406; full-time until 31 December 2026 in the first instance; closing date: 12 June 2022; further details: https://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/job/34890/; quote reference: PT31260

*The University actively supports equality, diversity and inclusion and encourages applications from all sections of society.*

*The University has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to live and work in the UK.*
EVENTS, COURSES, ETC.

Announcement of lectures, seminars, etc.

The University offers a large number of lectures, seminars and other events, many of which are free of charge, to members of the University and others who are interested. Details can be found on individual Faculty, Department and institution websites, on the What’s On website (http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/whatson/) and on Talks.cam (http://www.talks.cam.ac.uk/). A variety of training courses are also available to members of the University, information and booking for which can be found online at https://www.training.cam.ac.uk/.

Brief details of upcoming events are given below.

| Faculty of Divinity | 2022 Yerushah Lecture: Changing perspectives on the Song of Songs: Literal and allegorical loves, by Professor Ilana Pardes, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 25 May 2022 in the Runcie Room, Faculty of Divinity, West Road. | https://www.divinity.cam.ac.uk/about-us/confseminars/named-lectures/yerushah-lecture |

REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS

Scientific Computing for the M.Phil. Degree

(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 555)

With effect from 1 October 2023

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Degree Committee for the Faculty of Physics and Chemistry, has approved amendments to the Special Regulations for the examination in Scientific Computing for the degree of Master of Philosophy to split the dissertation requirement into two separate reports.

Regulation 2(a).

By revising the text of Regulation 2(a) to read as follows:

(a) a dissertation consisting of two reports (each of not more than 7,500 words in length including tables, figure legends, and appendices, but excluding bibliography) on different sections of a major project involving in-depth original scientific research and a literature survey of the topic. The topic of the project and details of the requirements for each report shall be approved by the Degree Committee;

Master of Studies, General Regulations: Flexible learning

(Statutes and Ordinances, p. 567)

With effect from 1 October 2021

The General Board has approved amendments to the General Regulations for the degree of Master of Studies to formalise the adoption of flexible or progressive learning within recognised nested awards, as follows:

Regulation 4.

By inserting a new Regulation 4 to read as follows and renumbering the remaining regulations:

4. The General Board, on the recommendation of the Strategic Committee of the Institute, shall have powers to recognise periods of previous successful study in the University as meeting part of the requirements for the award.

Schedule to the General Regulations.

By amending the descriptive text of the Schedule to read as follows:

Courses approved for flexible periods of study under Regulation 4
Joint Report of the Council and the General Board on the appointment of Student Discipline Officers

The Council and the General Board beg leave to report to the University as follows:

1. This Report proposes changes to the arrangements for the appointment of Student Discipline Officers, to allow a larger number than two to be appointed and to establish a panel from which a Student Discipline Officer (SDO) can be allocated to consider an allegation. SDOs have decision-making powers in relation to student disciplinary matters, including whether to commission an investigation into an alleged breach of the Rules of Behaviour, and whether to impose a minor sanction or measure or refer the matter to the Discipline Committee.

2. Currently, there is provision for two members of the Regent House to be appointed, one as Student Discipline Officer and the other as Deputy Student Discipline Officer. The Deputy is called upon to act in circumstances where the Student Discipline Officer is unavailable or has a conflict of interest. The proposed changes remove the role of Deputy Student Discipline Officer and replace it with a panel of SDOs from which the SDO to consider a potential breach of the Rules of Behaviour is allocated by lot from among those on the panel who are available and have no conflict of interest. No change is proposed to the criteria for and method of appointment as SDOs, who will continue to be members of the Regent House appointed by Grace on the nomination of the General Board.

3. The Council and the General Board support the Report’s recommendations because the changes will provide greater flexibility in allocating an SDO to a case, and will also make it possible to spread the load of cases among a wider group of SDOs. The recommendations have the support of the current Student Discipline Officer.

4. The Council and the General Board recommend:

I. That Special Ordinance D (ii) 2(a) (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 102) be amended to read as follows:

2. (a) The Student Discipline Officers shall be at least two members of the Regent House appointed by Grace on the nomination of the General Board with responsibility for commissioning an investigation into a potential breach of the Rules of Behaviour, deciding whether to refer the matter to another procedure, and determining whether a Registered Student’s criminal convictions require the University to take further action. The Student Discipline Officers shall be appointed to a panel. A Student Discipline Officer shall be allocated to consider a potential breach of the Rules of Behaviour by lot drawn from among the Student Discipline Officers on the panel who are available and have no conflict of interest. The Academic Secretary or a duly appointed deputy may appoint another Student Discipline Officer from the panel to consider that potential breach if the allocated Student Discipline Officer subsequently becomes unable or unwilling to act.

II. That, if Recommendation I is approved before the period of appointment of the current Student Discipline Officer expires on 30 September 2022, that Officer shall become a Student Discipline Officer on the panel.

9 May 2022

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GAENOR BAGLEY
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AMELIA JABRY
PATRICK MAXWELL
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PIPPA ROGERSON
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JASON SCOTT-WARREN
MICHAEL SEWELL
PIETER VAN HOUTEN

9 May 2022

ANNA PHILPOTT
RICHARD REX
GRAHAM VIRGO
CHRIS YOUNG
OBITUARIES

Obituary Notice

GAVIN COULL, Senior Client Representative, North West Cambridge development, died on 13 April 2022, aged 55 years.

ACTA

Approval of Graces submitted to the Regent House on 27 April 2022

The Graces submitted to the Regent House on 27 April 2022 (Reporter, 6655, 2021–22, p. 474) were approved at 4 p.m. on Friday, 6 May 2022.

E. M. C. RAMPTON, Registrar

END OF THE OFFICIAL PART OF THE ‘REPORTER’
REPORT OF DISCUSSION

Tuesday, 3 May 2022

A Discussion was held by videoconference. Deputy Vice-Chancellor Professor Johan van de Ven was presiding, with the Registrar’s deputy, the Senior Proctor, the Senior Pro-Proctor and three other persons present.

The following items were discussed:

Report of the General Board, dated 22 March 2022, on the re-establishment of a Professorship


No remarks were made on this Report.

Annual Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2021


No remarks were made on this Report.

Report of the Council, dated 21 April 2022, on changes to the operation of the Land Fund


Professor G. R. Evans (Emeritus Professor of Medieval Theology and Intellectual History), read by the Senior Pro-Proctor:

Deputy Vice-Chancellor, it has been drawn to the Council’s attention that the implications of an Ordinance of 1974, have been overlooked. The Ordinance (Statutes and Ordinances, p. 125), still in force, sets the rules for what is to be done with the proceeds when the University sells land or leases it, unless the land is held solely as an investment. Otherwise, the money is to be held in a Land Fund, from which, apart from covering the costs of planning applications, payments may be made only ‘to purchase sites which are suitable for development for University purposes’.

‘University purposes’ are recognised by the present Statutes and Ordinances only twice, both times for contrast with ‘College purposes’. The Report uses the expression three times, apparently assuming that they are now of two kinds, ‘operational’ and ‘non-operational’.

In 1974 ‘University purposes’ were limited to the ‘operational’, what the Further and Higher Education Act 1992, s. 65(2)(b) was later to describe as:

the provision of any facilities, and the carrying on of any other activities, by higher education institutions in their area which the governing bodies of those institutions consider it necessary or desirable to provide or carry on for the purpose of or in connection with education or research.

This was a restriction sitting comfortably within the charitable status of the University.

Cambridge’s classification of ‘non-operational’ purposes is much more recent, appearing first I think in a Report on 21 May 2015. In the Statutes and Ordinances the ‘non-operational’ Estate is defined as comprising:

Land and buildings held for the general purposes of the University (e.g. residences) and land and property that could be needed in the foreseeable future for the Operational Estate. It is managed on a self-funded basis and remits income to the Chest.

The ‘operational’ Estate is defined as:

Land and buildings currently used for teaching and research or for administrative and other support functions, including the University Farm, and retention of specialist use and ‘churn’ space but excluding land used by Cambridge University Press and Cambridge Assessment (the Local Examinations Syndicate).

Land held for ‘investment purposes’ is not mentioned and ‘churn’ is not defined. ‘Investment’ is of course on the agenda for an exceptional extra Discussion next week.

The ‘operational’ University is now also being called ‘the Academic University’, an expression which seems first to have appeared in the Allocations Report in June 2020, explored further in a Council Notice in the Reporter of 22 October 2020 but remains undefined in Statutes and Ordinances.

Might it be timely and wise to tidy up the terminology and the definitions in the Statutes and Ordinances?


3 Statutes and Ordinances, p. 1085.
COLLEGE NOTICES

Elections

**Girton College**

Elected to an Official Fellowship from 1 September 2022:


Vacancies

**King’s College**: College Research Associateships, 2022 (up to six available, any subject); tenure: two years from 1 October 2022 with the possibility of renewal; non-stipendiary but dining rights and other collegiate benefits apply; closing date: 24 June 2022; further details: https://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/research/college-research-associates

Memorial Services

**Queens’ College**

A memorial service for The Revd Canon John Charlton Polkinghorne, KBE, FRS (Reporter, 6611, 2020–21, p. 437), will be held at Great St Mary’s, the University Church, at 3 p.m. on Friday, 10 June 2022. Refreshments will be served at Queens’ College after the service.

EXTERNAL NOTICES

Oxford Notices

**Merton College**: Career Development Fellowship in Ancient Greek; tenure: from 1 October 2022 (or as soon as possible thereafter) until no later than 30 September 2026; six contact hours per week; salary: £42,026 plus allowances; closing date: 1 June 2022 at 2 p.m.; further details: https://www.merton.ox.ac.uk/vacancies