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NOTICES

Calendar

21 January, *Tuesday*. Full Term begins. Ballot of the Regent House, voting opens at 10 a.m. Discussion by videoconference at 2 p.m. (see below).

24 January, *Friday*. End of first quarter of Lent Term.

26 January, *Sunday*. Preacher before the University at 11.30 a.m., The Rt Revd Professor Anderson Jeremiah, Bishop of Edmonton.

31 January, *Friday*. Congregation of the Regent House at 2 p.m. Ballot of the Regent House, voting closes at 5 p.m.

Discussions (Tuesdays at 2 p.m.)

21 January
25 February
18 March

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

31 January, 2 p.m. (degrees in absence only)
1 March
29 March
5 April

Discussion on Tuesday, 21 January 2025

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 by **videoconference** on Tuesday, 21 January 2025 at 2 p.m. The following items will be discussed:

1. Annual Report of the Council for the academic year 2023–24 (*Reporter*, 6762, 2024–25, p. 152).
2. Annual Report of the General Board to the Council for the academic year 2023–24 (*Reporter*, 6762, 2024–25, p. 160).
3. Report of the General Board, dated 17 December 2024, on the establishment of a Department of Public Policy (Bennett School of Public Policy) (*Reporter*, 6764, 2024–25, p. 196).

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 their 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,¹ or may ask someone else who is attending to read the remarks on their behalf.

In accordance with the regulations for Discussions, the Chair of the Board of Scrutiny or any ten members of the Regent House² 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 Registry, 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.

² <https://www.scrutiny.cam.ac.uk/> and https://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/reporter/regent_house_roll/section1.shtml.

Report of the Council on the office of Chief Financial Officer: Notice in response to Discussion remarks

9 January 2025

The Council has received the remarks made at the Discussion on 10 December 2024 on the above Report (*Reporter*, 2024–25: 6759, p. 117; 6764, p. 199).

Dr Astle queries the constitutional consistency of the Chief Financial Officer being accountable to the Council through the Vice-Chancellor, noting the Council's duty to exercise general supervision over the University's finances. As the Chair of the Council, the Vice-Chancellor is the person best placed to provide guidance to the Chief Financial Officer on behalf of the Council.

Dr Astle also suggests that the title of Treasurer should be adopted instead of Chief Financial Officer, to indicate the subordination of good financial management to the University's academic activity.¹ Following a similar line of thought, after surveying developments since 1998, Professor Evans concludes that a Report on the place and character of 'leadership' in the University would be helpful in enabling the Regent House to clarify its definition. The key components of the updated office of Chief Financial Officer are as set out in the current Report, therefore the Council sees no need for any additional Report. The Council understands that the title of Chief Financial Officer is now more widely used within the HE sector than that of Treasurer and has much higher recognition among suitably qualified potential applicants. The further particulars for the office will include information about the University context, including the roles of the Regent House and the Council.

The Council is submitting a Grace (Grace 1, p. 227) for the approval of the recommendations of this Report.

¹ Raising a matter not directly related to this Report, Dr Astle questions the statement in the Council's Notice of 7 November 2024 stating that it has 'sole responsibility for decisions about investments, and therefore the Grace would not be binding on the Council if approved by the Regent House' based on the cited parts of Statute and Special Ordinance. The Council agrees that the Notice should also have referred to the Council's executive powers under Statute A IV 1(a) for the management of the University's resources.

Joint Report of the Council and the General Board on the disbanding of the University Theatre Syndicate: Notice in response to Discussion remarks

9 January 2025

The Council has received the remarks made at the Discussion on 10 December 2024 concerning the above Report (*Reporter*, 2024–25: 6761, p. 141; 6764, p. 200). It has consulted with the General Board in preparing this response.

The Council agrees with Professor Evans that, where a body is established in Statute or Ordinance, the key difference between a Committee and a Syndicate or a Board lies in the ability of the latter to report directly to the Regent House by publishing a Report. However, there are other mechanisms that Committee members and others can use to draw attention to issues. For example, any ten members of the Regent House can request the discussion of a Topic of concern to the University, after which any remarks made will be published in the *Reporter* and the Council required to publish a response to them.

The arrangements for the ADC Theatre as a General Board institution and for the new Committee, as set out in the new General Board Regulations, follow the pattern of those for similar institutions and their related committees that are also under the supervision of the General Board.

The Council is submitting a Grace (Grace 2, p. 227) for the approval of the recommendations of this Report.

Election to the Council

10 January 2025

The Vice-Chancellor announces that the following candidate has been nominated in accordance with Statute A IV 2 for election to the Council in class (c) (other members of the Council), and that it has been certified to her that the candidate has consented to be nominated:

Dr MEZNA QATO, *N*, nominated by Professor Y. Navaro, *N*, and Professor P. M. Rose

No other persons having been nominated, Dr Qato is duly elected in class (c), to serve with immediate effect until 31 December 2026.

VACANCIES, APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

Election

The following election has been made:

Professor REBECCA CASSIDY, M.Phil., Ph.D., *University of Edinburgh*, Professor of Anthropology, Goldsmiths, University of London, elected William Wyse Professor of Social Anthropology with effect from 29 September 2025.

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 (<https://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/whatson/>) and on Talks.cam (<https://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.

Holocaust Memorial Day Lecture 2025

This year's lecture, 'From Warsaw to Auschwitz: How and why Holocaust memory has changed since the 1950s', will be delivered by Professor David Feldman (Birkbeck, University of London) on Monday, 27 January, 2025 from 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m., in person at Selwyn College, Grange Road, Cambridge, CB3 9DQ, and online; open to staff, students and the general public; for further details and booking (for in-person and online attendance) see: <https://www.staff.admin.cam.ac.uk/events/holocaust-memorial-day-lecture>

REGULATIONS FOR EXAMINATIONS**Award of a lower degree for certain doctoral degrees****With effect from 1 January 2025**

The General Board, on the recommendation of the Postgraduate Committee in consultation with the relevant Degree Committees, has approved the amendment of the regulations for certain doctoral degrees to streamline the process and timeline for awarding a lower degree. The following regulations are amended with effect from 1 January 2025:

(a) Doctor of Business (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 451): By amending Regulation 13 to read as follows:

13. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee considers that a student's work is not of the standard requisite for the Bus.D. Degree, but that it is of the standard requisite for the M.Sc. Degree, its recommendation shall be communicated to the General Board, together with the reports of the Examiners. If after receiving such communication the Board decides that the candidate could properly be approved for the award of the lower degree, the Registry shall communicate this decision to the candidate and approve the candidate for the award of that degree. The Registry shall publish a notice of such approval unless the candidate has requested the removal of their name from the published list in accordance with a procedure approved from time to time by the General Board.

(b) Doctor of Education (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 461): By amending Regulation 13 to read as follows:

13. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee considers that a student's work is not of the standard requisite for the Ed.D. Degree, but that it is of the standard requisite for the M.Litt. Degree, its recommendation shall be communicated to the General Board, together with the reports of the Examiners. If after receiving such communication the Board decides that the candidate could properly be approved for the award of the lower degree, the Registry shall communicate this decision to the candidate and approve the candidate for the award of that degree. The Registry shall publish a notice of such approval unless the candidate has requested the removal of their name from the published list in accordance with a procedure approved from time to time by the General Board.

(c) Doctor of Philosophy, Master of Science, Master of Letters, and Master of Philosophy by Thesis (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 497): By amending Regulation 16 to read as follows:

16. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee considers that a student's work is not of the standard requisite for the Ph.D. Degree, but that it is of the standard requisite for the M.Sc. or M.Litt. Degree, its recommendation shall be communicated to the General Board, together with the reports of the Examiners. If after receiving such communication the Board decides that the candidate could properly be approved for the award of the lower degree, the Registry shall communicate this decision to the candidate and approve the candidate for the award of that degree. The Registry shall publish a notice of such approval unless the candidate has requested the removal of their name from the published list in accordance with a procedure approved from time to time by the General Board.

(d) Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 575): By amending Regulation 13 to read as follows:

13. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee considers that a student's work is not of the standard requisite for the Vet.M.D. Degree, but that it is of the standard requisite for the M.Sc. Degree, its recommendation shall be communicated to the General Board, together with the reports of the Examiners. If after receiving such communication the Board decides that the candidate could properly be approved for the award of the lower degree, the Registry shall communicate this decision to the candidate and approve the candidate for the award of that degree. The Registry shall publish a notice of such approval unless the candidate has requested the removal of their name from the published list in accordance with a procedure approved from time to time by the General Board.

Doctor of Medicine

(*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 478)

With effect from 1 January 2025

The General Board, on the recommendation of Postgraduate Committee and the Degree Committee for the Faculties of Clinical Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, has approved amendments to the regulations for the degree of Doctor of Medicine to allow approval of the M.Sc. Degree in lieu of the M.D. Degree, for consistency with examination outcomes for the Bus.D., Ed.D., Eng.D., Ph.D. and Vet.M.D. Degrees, as follows:

Regulations 14 to 19.

By replacing existing Regulations 14 to 17 with the following new or revised regulations:

14. The Degree Committee shall be the deciding authority on all decisions that candidates be approved for the award of the degree or that they be allowed to submit revised theses. The General Board shall be the deciding authority not to award the degree or to award a lower degree.

15. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners on a candidate's thesis and performance in the oral examination, the Degree Committee is satisfied that the candidate's work is of the requisite standard for the degree, showing evidence of significant original contribution to the advancement of the science, art, or history of medicine, its decision shall be communicated to the Student Registry, together with the reports of the Examiners. The Student Registry shall publish a notice of the candidate's approval for the award of the degree unless the candidate has requested the removal of their name from the published list in accordance with a procedure approved from time to time by the General Board.

16. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners of a thesis, the Degree Committee is of the opinion that a candidate's thesis is not of the requisite standard for the degree, the Degree Committee may permit the student to submit a revised thesis. The decision of the Degree Committee shall be communicated to the Student Registry, together with the reports of the Examiners. A student shall not be allowed to submit a revised thesis on more than one occasion.

17. If, after considering the reports of the Examiners, the Degree Committee is of the opinion that a candidate's work thesis is not of the requisite standard for the M.D. Degree, but that it is of the standard requisite for the M.Sc. Degree, its recommendation shall be communicated to the General Board, together with the reports of the Examiners. If after receiving such communication the Board decides that the candidate could properly be approved for the award of the lower degree, the Registry shall communicate this decision to the candidate and approve the candidate for award of the M.Sc. Degree. The Registry shall publish a notice of such approval unless the candidate has requested the removal of their name from the published list in accordance with a procedure approved from time to time by the General Board.

18. If after considering the reports of the Examiners the Degree Committee resolves that a candidate's work is not of the requisite standard for the degree, and if the Committee does not recommend that the candidate be allowed to submit a revised thesis, its recommendation shall be communicated to the General Board, together with the reports of the Examiners. If after receiving such communication the Board decides that the candidate could not properly be approved for the award of the degree, the Registry shall communicate this decision to the candidate.

19. A candidate who is not approved for the M.D. Degree under Regulation 18 may apply to be a candidate for the M.D. degree by the Special Regulations, providing the candidate meets the eligibility requirements; such application may be made on not more than one occasion, after a period of not less than five years from the date of the applicant's original examination for the Degree.

And by renumbering existing Regulations 18 and 19 as Regulations 20 and 21.

GRACES

Graces submitted to the Regent House on 15 January 2025

The Council submits the following Graces to the Regent House. These Graces, unless they are withdrawn or a ballot is requested in accordance with the regulations for Graces of the Regent House (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 112), will be deemed to have been approved at 4 p.m. on Friday, 24 January 2025. Further information on requests for a ballot or the amendment of Graces is available to members of the Regent House on the Regent House Petitions site.[§]

1. That the recommendations in paragraph 7 of the Report of the Council, dated 13 November 2024, on the office of Chief Financial Officer (*Reporter*, 6759, 2024–25, p. 117) be approved.¹
2. That the recommendations in paragraph 7 of the Joint Report of the Council and the General Board, dated 26 November 2024, on the disbanding of the University Theatre Syndicate (*Reporter*, 6761, 2024–25, p. 141) be approved.²
3. That in Regulation 5(c) of the Ordinance for Stipends (*Statutes and Ordinances*, p. 684) the grades for the holders of the offices of Professor (Grade 11) and Reader and the part of Note 4 of Schedule I about Professors (Grade 11) be revised from 1 October 2024, to read as follows:³

Professor (Grade 11) and Reader Grade 11 points 63–67

[Note 4] Professors (Grade 11) will be appointed to Grade 11. From 1 October 2024, Professors (Grade 11) can be appointed between point 63 and point 67. Prior to this date, Professors (Grade 11) could only be appointed to point 2 in Grade 11 (spine point 63).

Additionally, that Note 4 of Schedule I be amended from 1 March 2025 to include the following:

[Note 4] The minimum for Professors at Grade 11 will be point 63 of Grade 11.

¹ See the Council's Notice, p. 224.

² See the Council's Notice, p. 224.

³ In August 2024, the Regent House approved changes to Schedule I of the Ordinance for Stipends, to remove the restrictions on contribution increments for academic staff at Grades 9, 10 and 11 as part of an interim pay and benefits package (*Reporter*, 6751, 2023–24, p. 856; changes to the salary scales were also approved in October 2024, *Reporter*, 6756, 2024–25, p. 58). However, a further change to the Ordinance was overlooked. The Council, on the recommendation of the General Board and the HR Committee, is proposing this change to remove the restrictions on contribution increments for academic staff at Grade 11, whilst retaining the starting point at spine point 63. The University's internal promotion rules will now apply to those being promoted to the office of Professor (Grade 11) and therefore on promotion, an individual will either move to spine point 63 or by two increments, whichever is the greater.

[§] See <https://www.governance.cam.ac.uk/governance/key-bodies/RH-Senate/Pages/RH-Petitions.aspx> for details.

ACTA

Approval of Grace submitted to the Regent House on 30 December 2024

The Grace submitted to the Regent House on 30 December 2024 (*Reporter*, 6764, 2024–25, p. 198) was approved at 4 p.m. on Friday, 10 January 2025.

E. M. C. RAMPTON, *Registrar*

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COLLEGE NOTICES

Elections

Downing College

Elected to an Official Fellowship from 1 November 2024:

Simon Brockington, M.B.A, Ph.D., *Open*,
Pg.Dip., *Plymouth*

Pembroke College

Appointed as Master with effect from 1 October 2025:

Professor Rosalind Polly Blakesley, M.A., *CAI*,
D.Phil., *Oxford*

Elected to an Official Fellowship with effect from
3 December 2024:

Matthew Mahmoudi, B.A., *Queen Mary*,
M.Phil., Ph.D., *PEM*

Elected to a Bye-Fellowship with effect from 3 December
2024:

Genny Grim, B.A., M.A., *UCL*

Elected to an Honorary Fellowship with effect from
12 November 2024:

Greg Sean Jackson, CBE, M.A., *PEM*
Hannah Minghella, M.A., *PEM*
Jack Thorne, M.A., *PEM*

Robinson College

Elected to a Fellowship in Class D from 2 December 2024:

Ankit Dilip Kumar, B.Tech., M.Tech., *IIT Kharagpur*,
Ph.D., *HH*

Vacancies

Fitzwilliam College: Chaplain (part-time, 0.5–0.75 FTE);
tenure: six years from April 2025; salary: £30,638 *pro rata*;
closing date: 5 February 2025 at 5 p.m.; further details:
<https://www.fitz.cam.ac.uk/vacancies-fitzwilliam>

Clare Hall: Two Research Fellowships: Betty Behrens
Research Fellowship and the Arts, Humanities and Social
Sciences Isaac Newton Trust Research Fellowship;
tenure: three years from October 2025; stipend: £37,233;
closing date: 2 February 2025; further details:
<https://www.clarehall.cam.ac.uk/rf>

Hughes Hall: Henslow Research Fellowship, 2025–28;
tenure: three years from 1 October 2025; open to those in
the fields of Computer Science, Engineering,
Mathematics, Natural Sciences (Biological or Physical)
or the Clinical Sciences; salary: £43,092; closing date:
9 February 2025 at 12 noon; further details:
<https://www.hughes.cam.ac.uk/about/vacancies>

Events

Darwin College

Darwin College Lecture Series 2025: Codes

The 40th Darwin College Lecture Series will explore the
idea of Codes from eight very different angles. Eight
multi-disciplinary public lectures, intended for a general
audience, by leading authorities in their fields, will be
given every Friday in Lent Term at 5.30 p.m. at Lady
Mitchell Hall, Sidgwick Avenue. Open to all, no booking
or ticket required. For further details see: <https://www.darwin.cam.ac.uk/lectures/category/item/2025-lecture-series-codes>

Hughes Hall

Richard Berg Rust Lecture 2025

This year's speaker is Jenny Uglow, former editorial
director of Chatto & Windus, and previous Chair of the
Council of the Royal Society of Literature. She will
deliver an illustrated talk, titled 'Thomas Bewick –
Nature, Art and Northern Life', on Monday, 27 January
2025, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., in the Pavilion Room,
Hughes Hall. All welcome. For further details and to
reserve a place, see: [https://www.hughes.cam.ac.uk/about/](https://www.hughes.cam.ac.uk/about/events/thomas-bewick-nature-art-and-northern-life)
[events/thomas-bewick-nature-art-and-northern-life](https://www.hughes.cam.ac.uk/about/events/thomas-bewick-nature-art-and-northern-life)

EXTERNAL NOTICES

Oxford Notices

*Nuffield Department of Orthopaedics, Rheumatology and
Musculoskeletal Sciences and Lincoln College*: Kadoorie
Professorship of Trauma Rehabilitation; closing date:
17 February 2025 at 12 noon; further details:
<https://www.recruit.ox.ac.uk>, vacancy ID: 176410

Jesus College: Career Development Fellowship in Human
Geography; tenure: three years from 1 October 2025 or as
soon as possible thereafter; salary: £38,674; closing date:
7 February 2025 at 12 noon; further details:
[https://www.jesus.ox.ac.uk/about-jesus-college/our-](https://www.jesus.ox.ac.uk/about-jesus-college/our-community/vacancies)
[community/vacancies](https://www.jesus.ox.ac.uk/about-jesus-college/our-community/vacancies)

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