

Updated: December 16th 2020

Arrangements for the start of Hilary term

- **Arriving in Oxford**

Return to College will be staggered, to ensure the ongoing health and welfare of all in our community. Depending on your course, you will have been allocated a Tranche (either A or B) by your University department. The spreadsheet (listed with this document on the intranet) provides a list of courses and which Tranche each course is in. Please refer to this to identify to which Tranche you have been allocated.

You should arrive in Oxford in time to complete the necessary lateral flow tests and self-isolation before face-to-face teaching begins. The staggered return schedule to College is as follows:

Tranche A – Saturday 9th, Sunday 10, Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th January 2021.

Tranche B – Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th, Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th January 2021.

A booking system has been set up for each Tranche, to book your arrival date and time:

Students in Tranche A:

<https://jesuscollegeoxford.as.me/?appointmentType=18867623>

Students in Tranche B:

<https://jesuscollegeoxford.as.me/?appointmentType=18867712>

Essentially it's the same process that was in place to stagger arrivals and departures in Michaelmas Term.

If you have already booked your travel arrangements please contact the Accommodation team via email on accommodation@jesus.ox.ac.uk so that they can keep a record of your arrival date.

- **Testing**

Before departure in Michaelmas Term, students were encouraged to take COVID-19 lateral flow tests (LFTs) before returning home. We had an excellent take-up for the tests, and would now like to encourage you to do the same at the beginning of Hilary Term, to help ensure the continued health and safety of all in our community. The LFTs will be available to all Jesus College students.

LFT kits can be booked via the Lodge, using the email address lodgeopen@jesus.ox.ac.uk. A test kit and instruction leaflet will then be placed in your room by the Lodge team or your caretaker prior to your arrival.

Process for testing

You will need to take 3 tests: on the day you arrive, three days later, and on your tenth day in Oxford.

You will be asked to take your first test as soon as possible after you arrive in Oxford, and you should limit your social contact and interaction with other students until you receive the result (this will usually be within 30 minutes).

If the first test is negative, you should continue to be cautious until you have taken your second test. If the second test is negative, you should continue to adhere to all health guidance and the Student Responsibility Agreement.

If you test positive in any of your lateral flow tests, you must self-isolate and take a confirmatory PCR test through the [University's Testing for COVID19: Early Alert Service](#).

Further information about arriving in Oxford, and testing arrangements can be found in the Hilary Term section of the [Christmas vacation page](#).

- **Teaching**

As advised in the all-student note, Hilary term dates will remain as they are at present. Depending on which Tranche you are in, in-person teaching will begin either:

- As usual at the start of term; or,
- From 2nd week, with teaching before that point taking place online.

Please check the attached spreadsheet. Please also be aware that the College Library vacation loans have been extended to Monday 18 January 2021.