



CHRIST'S COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE



THE CAMPAIGN FOR CHRIST'S

# WELCOME TO CHRIST'S COLLEGE

Christ's College is a leading College in the University of Cambridge. We provide outstanding teaching and pastoral care to our students, giving them the opportunity to develop their talents and to grow academically and personally in areas such as music, drama, journalism, sports and arts. We are a caring, friendly College, with an emphasis on academic achievement.

Our success is demonstrated in part by the number of our alumni who are leaders worldwide, across many countries and across many different disciplines and endeavours, and by our Nobel Laureates: Lord Todd, Professor James Meade and Professor Sir Martin Evans. In addition, our Fellows are engaged in cutting-edge research into areas such as cancer, fertility, networks, the legacy of the First World War, the future of cities in the context of climate change and safeguarding against electronic fraud; and our students achieve prominence across all areas of the University.

We are part of one of the world's top universities, competing internationally for the most talented students and the best academics. We must ensure that we can play our part, offering superb facilities and excellent teaching, and with a 'needs-blind' policy of admission.

Christ's has a fundraising campaign commensurate with our goals and ambitions, which seeks to raise £50m for the College's core activities and facilities.



## THE CAMPAIGN'S AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

ATTRACTING THE BEST

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

SHAPING THE FUTURE

ENHANCING COLLEGE LIFE



400 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS  
250 GRADUATE STUDENTS  
80 FELLOWS  
100 STAFF



## FROM THE MASTER



Christ's College has an outstanding reputation for teaching and research, and for engagement with the most important issues facing

humanity. We are an influential College within a world-class University. We are determined to promote academic excellence by encouraging applications from the best students from all backgrounds, securing funding for graduate students, and developing our international links.

Throughout the College's history we have relied upon our benefactors, whose foresight has allowed the College to thrive. Looking forward we plan to go from strength to strength, attracting the very best students and Fellows, making available a diverse range of cultural and sporting activities, and providing an outstanding physical and social environment.

We have inspiring plans for a flagship College Centre just off First Court which will provide a new library and research centre as well as a glass-covered courtyard which will give us much-needed space to come together as a community. We intend to create a new court to provide accommodation for a further 80 students on the main College site, and also to redevelop the Boathouse.

These are exciting times and we look to you for your support for our plans. Thank you.

**Professor Frank Kelly CBE FRS**

## ATTRACTING THE BEST



We admit students based on academic ability and potential, regardless of financial circumstances, ensuring that no student is unable to take up a place at Christ's for financial reasons. We currently provide bursary support of £600,000 a year for our undergraduate and graduate students and we expect this need to grow in the future. We also provide support to students who find themselves unexpectedly in financial difficulty once they are here.

We have an active outreach programme to encourage applications from students who would not normally consider Cambridge but who have the talent and drive to succeed here. Our Schools Liaison Officer organises Teacher Conferences, student visits, and Summer Schools to ensure we provide opportunities to the brightest young people.

In addition to bursaries, we need to provide additional resources such as study grants and book grants to our students. We are fortunate to have the Levy-Plumb Fund for the Humanities which is able to support students in humanities subjects. Our goal is to create The Darwin Fund to provide similar support for our scientists.

£12K WILL SUPPORT ONE  
UNDERGRADUATE THROUGH A  
THREE-YEAR COURSE

£50K WILL FUND OUR OUTREACH  
WORK FOR ONE YEAR

£54K WILL SUPPORT A PHD STUDENT  
FOR THREE YEARS

£100K WILL ENDOW AN  
UNDERGRADUATE BURSARY

“MY STUDENT BURSARY HAS BEEN AMAZING AT ALLEVIATING  
MY FINANCIAL FEARS AND OPENING UP OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN  
CAMBRIDGE THAT I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AFFORD.”

1ST YEAR MEDICAL STUDENT





## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



Christ's College has a well-deserved reputation for academic excellence at all levels, from our undergraduates and graduate students, to our post-doctoral research associates, our research, teaching and professorial Fellows, and our Honorary Fellows. We benefit from a vibrant community with people working at the cutting-edge of their fields through supervisions, lectures, society meetings, and dinners.

Fellows are essential to the life and success of Christ's College. We provide a mentoring scheme to enable those newly appointed to integrate quickly and successfully into the College, both in terms of their research work and their involvement in College life. We award Research Fellowships annually in an international competition, aimed at attracting the brightest young academics starting their careers.

College-based teaching of undergraduates underpins the excellence of a Cambridge degree. Supervisions, both individual and in small groups, help students to develop their self-confidence, critical thinking, and intellectual curiosity. Teaching Officers and College Lecturers are the backbone of teaching and are essential to the College's success in the future.

£140K WILL FUND A JUNIOR  
RESEARCH FELLOW FOR A FOUR-  
YEAR TENURE

£1M WILL ENDOW A JUNIOR  
RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

£180K WILL FUND A COLLEGE  
TEACHING OFFICER FOR A FOUR-  
YEAR FIXED-TERM APPOINTMENT

£1.3M WILL ENDOW A COLLEGE  
TEACHING OFFICER POST

## A NEW COLLEGE CENTRE

A prime element in our vision for the College is to create a new state-of-the-art information, learning, and research centre at the very heart of our community, providing a place for members of the College, alumni, and visitors to interact academically and socially. The renowned firm of Rick Mather Associates has designed a visually stunning building that will be a landmark in the centre of Cambridge while harmonising with the existing architecture.

The main building will house a new library and information centre that will provide physical and digital access to books, manuscripts, journals, and other research tools. It will provide different types of working spaces, allowing for private study and group discussion. There will also be seminar rooms and event space, which will provide an income to the College through commercial activity in the vacations.

One of the highlights of the development is a glazed courtyard that will house a café and offer opportunities for informal working and collaboration, as well as space for art exhibitions, recitals, and meetings.

The plans also encompass the creation of a visitor centre in the Old Library to safeguard the conservation of our precious collections, and to enable the College to open up this wonderful resource to the public and to schoolchildren. The College will, for the first time, be able to make accessible its John Milton and Charles Darwin collections, as well as other significant holdings.

The cost of creating this new College Centre is £16m. The names of donors of more than £250k will be included on a plaque in the building and we are also able to offer naming of rooms in the building.



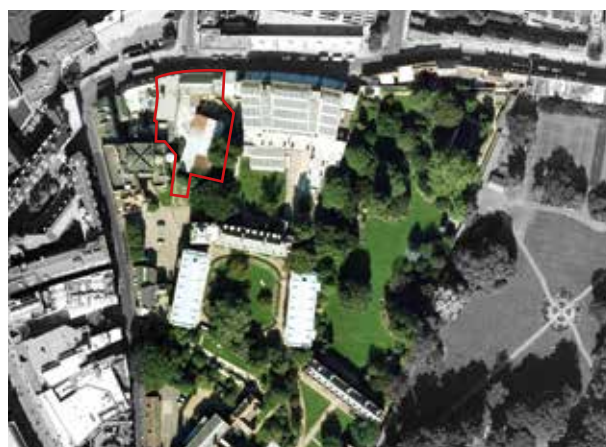


## SHAPING THE FUTURE



### NEW COLLEGE COURT

A key part of the Christ's College experience is the ability to live on the main College site. Students living here are able to integrate more fully into College life and make the most of their time here. Uniquely among city centre colleges, we have the possibility of creating a new court which will complete the domus site.



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The new development will be located next to New Court with access to King Street. It will accommodate around 80 students in en-suite study bedrooms, as well as providing a number of communal rooms for supervisions, music, and meetings. Retail space on the King Street side will enable the College to generate an income stream to help support our activities.

We need to raise £8m to fund the new development.

Our architects, Berman Guedes Stretton, have created a design for a court that looks into the College and adds to the sequence of courts and gardens that makes Christ's so special.

£25K WILL PROVIDE THE IT INFRASTRUCTURE TO SET UP  
HIGH-SPEED WIFI THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING

£80K WILL FUND A STUDENT ROOM





## ENHANCING COLLEGE LIFE



A Cambridge education is about much more than academic study. At Christ's we offer spiritual, cultural, sporting, and social opportunities that allow our students to develop and maintain other interests.

Our Clubs and Societies cater for all abilities, so students are able to try out new activities or develop their talents further in a particular area. We are proud of our successes on the sports fields and the river, and our Choir has an international reputation, enhanced by the annual tours it undertakes overseas. We have a thriving drama group and a music society that provides performance opportunities for our musicians, and we have a University-wide reputation for the visual arts.

Our sports ground and boathouse are both easily accessible from the College, and we have a squash court and fitness centre in the Yusuf Hamied Centre on the main College site. The Centre also houses a wonderful theatre, which is used for lectures and plays as well as providing a venue for conferences in the vacations.

£1K WILL BUY AN ERGO FOR THE  
BOAT CLUB

£5K WILL FUND A RECORDING BY  
THE COLLEGE CHOIR

£25K WILL SUPPORT THE RUNNING  
OF THE COLLEGE'S FIELD SPORTS FOR  
A YEAR

£50K WILL PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE  
JCR TO SUPPORT COLLEGE CLUBS  
AND SOCIETIES



## THE NEW BOATHOUSE

Rowing is synonymous with Cambridge for many and the Christ's College Boat Club plays an important part in College life.

The Boathouse, built in 1887, is the oldest wooden-framed boathouse on the River Cam and a familiar landmark to all who cross the river here.

Our plans enhance the original structure and expand the space available for land-training, changing, and coaching, more than doubling the floor area. This will provide greater opportunity for participation as well as the chance for talented members of the Club to achieve even more and row for the University and perhaps their country.

The project will cost an estimated £2.5m.

“THE PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT WILL LIFT THE CLUB AND INDIVIDUALS TO GREATER SUCCESS, WHILE GREATLY ENHANCING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS TO FORGE THE KIND OF LASTING FRIENDSHIPS THAT I HAVE BEEN SO PRIVILEGED TO EXPERIENCE.”

KIERAN WEST MBE OLYMPIC –  
GOLD MEDALLIST (M. 1995)



"I CAME TO CAMBRIDGE WITH A LOVE FOR MATHS AND BURNING  
DESIRE TO TACKLE DIFFICULT PROBLEMS AND I'M GLAD TO SAY  
THAT BOTH HAVE BEEN NURTURED HERE BY EXCELLENT TEACHING  
AND SUPPORT FROM WITHIN COLLEGE."

2ND YEAR MATHS STUDENT

## HOW TO SUPPORT US

### UK-based donors

Christ's College is a Registered Charity (number 1137540) which means that donations to the College are eligible for Gift Aid and tax relief for UK tax-payers. This allows us to recover the basic rate of tax deemed to have been paid by you. With the basic rate at 20%, tax recovery will add £25 to every £100 donated at no extra cost to you and if you pay tax at the higher rates of 40% or 45% you can reclaim further tax relief on your tax return. We are also pleased to accept gifts made through Give as You Earn, the Charities Aid Foundation, Charities Trust, and Stewardship.

NET GIFT	VALUE TO CHRIST'S (after Gift Aid)	COST TO DONOR (40% tax payer)	COST TO DONOR (45% tax payer)
£500	£625	£375	£343.75
£1,000	£1,250	£750	£687.50
£10,000	£12,500	£7,500	£6,875
£50,000	£62,500	£37,500	£34,375
£100,000	£125,000	£75,000	£68,750

### Corporate Gifts

Companies making a donation to Christ's College can treat the gift as an allowable expense, making a saving on Corporation Tax. Many companies now match donations made to charity by their employees.

### Gifts of Shares and Securities

If you make a gift of shares to the College, you can claim full tax relief equal to the market value of the shares on the day you make the gift and you will also have no Capital Gains Tax liability. You can also claim tax relief for any incidental expenses.

### US-based donors

US-based donors can make a gift to Cambridge in America, a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization which funds grants that benefit Cambridge University and its member Colleges. Gifts to Cambridge in America ([www.cantab.org](http://www.cantab.org)) qualify for an income tax deduction to the limits allowed by law.

### Canadian donors

The College has 'Prescribed Status' under section 3503 of the Canadian Income Tax Regulations, and donors are issued with gift receipts that are recognised for tax purposes.

### Other international donors

We welcome gifts from other international donors to support the work of the College.

## LEAVING A LEGACY



By making a gift to Christ's in your will, you will be playing an active part in assisting in the College's future.

It is straightforward to include a legacy to the College in your will at the time you arrange it with your solicitor; or you can add a codicil to amend your existing will.

To recognise and thank legacy donors in their lifetimes we have established the Christ's College Fisher Society. Members are invited to regular events in College and receive a sterling silver membership pin.

A brochure detailing how to leave a legacy to Christ's College is available from the Development Office.

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## SOUVENT ME SOUVIENT – THANK YOU

We appreciate your support of Christ's College. All donors, unless they have asked to remain anonymous, are included in the annual list of donors which is circulated to all members of the College.

Particularly significant donors are recognised by election to a Lady Margaret Beaufort Fellowship and by admission to the University's recognition circles. We are able to offer naming opportunities for bursaries, teaching posts, and buildings.

“COMING FROM A MODEST FINANCIAL BACKGROUND, THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND UNIVERSITY AND MAKE THE MOST OF LIFE AT CAMBRIDGE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WHICH I HAVE RECEIVED DURING MY TIME HERE.”

2ND YEAR HISTORY STUDENT

“MY WIFE AND I ARE SUPPORTING THE COLLEGE IN OUR LIFETIME BUT WE HAVE ALSO DECIDED TO PROVIDE MORE SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT THROUGH OUR WILLS. WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHRIST’S COLLEGE FISHER SOCIETY.”

ALUMNUS OF CHRIST’S



*The Tancred Scholar holding a portrait of Christopher Tancred, who provided funds for the scholarship*



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