To all prospective new Graduates

Please note that the cost of studying in Cambridge is substantial for all graduate students of the University, whether they are classified for fees purposes as Home or Overseas students. You are required to complete and sign a Financial Undertaking Form for the Board of Graduate Studies acting on behalf of Murray Edwards College before your application is confirmed. Please ensure that all your money is in place, in sterling, for the full period of your course.

When budgeting for graduate study in Cambridge, overseas students should remember to include the costs of travel to and from their home country. The sum of money that you are required to show as available before your admission is confirmed (as indicated by the Board of Graduate Studies) only covers the costs of living in Cambridge and not travel. Overseas students should also allow for potential variations in the exchange rate between sterling and their own currency during the period of proposed study. You should bring with you at the start of your course sufficient money, in sterling, for the full duration of your course. Murray Edwards College and the University are not able to give assistance to students whose financial arrangements fail whether through a change in exchange rate or for any other reason.

At the beginning of the academic year, you will receive two separate invoices from the College, with another invoice at the beginning of each term. In all cases, payment is to be made in pounds sterling (GBP) to “Murray Edwards College”.

1. Tuition Fees (known as the ‘University Composition Fee’): This invoice for the full academic year is payable in full within 14 days of the start of Full Term each October, or within 14 days of the start of the first term of study if you begin in January or April.

2. College Bill: This comprises the accommodation charge and caution money (which will appear on the initial College bill for all new students). Information on these charges is available on Moodle. Students living in private (i.e. non-College) accommodation are required to pay an Amenity Charge at the rate of £84.00 for full-time students and £42.00 for part time students and veterinary and medical students. These bills are issued at the start of each Full Term and are due to be paid within 14 days.

There are charges for late payment and if your bill remains unpaid by the end of Term, unless mitigating circumstances apply, you will not be allowed back into residence at the start of the following Term. Under some circumstances if payment is not made you may be required to leave Cambridge.

Note that for most students, the University Composition Fee is fixed for the duration of the course and is applicable to the academic year of entry. However, students who intermit, or are removed from the register and then return to study, may be liable for higher fee rates when they return to their study. Accommodation and other charges are subject to annual increases to reflect the cost of living and general inflation.