

Graduate Fresher Accommodation Guide 2025-26

Jesus College is normally able to offer accommodation to most of its full-time postgraduate students who remain in fee liability or who are in the fourth year of a recognised four-year course (or the final year of a second two-year course) but are no longer liable to pay fees (eligible graduates).

Graduate freshers are normally housed in one of the following locations:

- Single rooms (with double beds) in clusters in <u>The Cheng Yu Tung Building</u> (central site accommodation)
- Single rooms (with single beds) in shared houses in Ship Street (central site accommodation)
- Single rooms (with single beds) in shared flats in Herbert Close (East Oxford annex site), 121 Woodstock Road or Stevens Close (North Oxford annex site)
- I bedroom flats for established couples in Herbert Close (East Oxford annex site)

For further details on all College accommodation, please visit: https://www.jesus.ox.ac.uk/studyhere/life-at-jesus/accomodation/

Please note that College accommodation is NOT guaranteed for postgraduate students.

Eligibility

Accommodation will only be allocated to students who have satisfied the financial conditions of their offer by the deadline of **30 June**. Offer holders are however encouraged to submit their Financial Declaration Form and supporting evidence as soon as possible.

Priority

Priority for the allocation of accommodation to graduate freshers will be:

- 1. Full-time PG freshers who are new to postgraduate study at Jesus College
- 2. All other full-time PG freshers

Whilst we are unable to offer long term accommodation to Part-time PG freshers, short term accommodation can be considered, where available. Requests should be sent to the Conference Team, prices are likely to be B&B and dependent of location and room type.

Everything else being equal, accommodation will be allocated in the order by which the College offer has been accepted.

Students with a disability: Following disclosure of a disability or long-term health condition, the Academic Office will discuss with an offer holder any individual requirements that the College might reasonably meet in relation to the provision of accommodation. This might include requirements

regarding location of room (e.g. central site or ground floor), type of room (e.g. accessible or ensuite) and/or adjustments to a room (e.g. provision of a vibrating pillow alarm). Students with individual requirements resulting from a disability may therefore be prioritised in the allocation of accommodation.

Students on a College exchange programme or in receipt of a fully-funded College scholarship: Accommodation is guaranteed to any student on a College exchange programme (e.g. Trier) and to those in receipt of a fully-funded scholarship from Jesus College (fees and maintenance).

Timeline and process for allocation of accommodation

Accommodation requests will be reviewed in two phases, so as to help offer-holders with planning, while not disadvantaging those whose funding may not be confirmed until later in the admissions cycle.

Review of requests in May

An initial review of requests will be undertaken in late May. If you have met your financial conditions by this point, your request will be considered as per the guidelines on eligibility and priority and in relation to the availability of rooms. College will then seek to confirm whether:

- a) It can offer you accommodation as requested, i.e. Cheng, Ship Street (standard or small), or East Oxford or North Oxford annex site;
- b) It can offer you accommodation but cannot yet confirm if it will be in the location requested;
- c) You will need wait until the July review to receive an outcome for your request.

So, for example, if you are new to study at Oxford and have accepted your offer early in the admissions cycle, College should be able to confirm an offer of accommodation by end of May. At that stage, however, College will not be able to confirm the exact room nor issue you a lease/licence.

Review of requests in July

Once the Financial Declaration Form deadline has passed (30 June), all eligible requests will be reviewed and rooms will be allocated in accordance with the guidelines on priority. Offers will then be issued in late July and students will be invited to accept the room lease/license via an online portal.

Note: Students who satisfy the financial conditions of their offer **after** 30 June will be allocated any remaining accommodation in the order in which their financial declaration forms are approved.

Rooms on the main College site (The Cheng Building) and in Ship Street

The majority of Fresher Graduates will be housed in the Cheng Building - an exciting new expansion of our facilities. It is accessible from the main College site, features accommodation for 68 students, and other facilities, including a café, gym, multifaith room, teaching and learning spaces and a Digital Hub.

The rooms are modern, en-suite, single occupancy rooms, with double beds (4.6 ft), grouped in clusters of varying sizes up to a maximum of 12. Each cluster contains a communal kitchen / sitting room. Three bedrooms are fully accessible. Approximately 50% of these rooms will be available for 12 month contracts, the remainder of the rooms for 9 month contracts.

Accommodation is also available in the Ship Street houses, adjacent to the College. The Ship Street houses are all 17th and 18th century buildings, built on the old city wall and the rooms therefore vary in size and aspect. All rooms are single bedroom/studies with washbasins (with the exception of 13 Ship Street, room RB where there is no basin), furnished with a single bed, a desk, chairs, set of drawers, a wardrobe and, where possible, a small fridge. Bathroom facilities are shared. There is a communal kitchen in each graduate house, furnished with an electric cooker, a refrigerator and dining table. Rooms in the Ship Street Houses may be available for 9 or 12 month contracts.

Where not included in the chosen contract, accommodation during the summer vacation is available, charged on the same basis but not necessarily in the same room or site.

The standard licence/contract for single accommodation in the Cheng Building and Ship Street houses will begin Friday 03 October 2025 (which is also the Graduate Welcome Day) and will run for 9 or 12 months. Earlier arrivals are possible but must be booked with the Accommodation Office once the initial accommodation offer has been formally accepted. If you intend to arrive before the Graduate Welcome Day, you must contact the Accommodation Team (accommodation.office@jesus.ox.ac.uk) to arrange this, once you have accepted the initial accommodation offer. If necessary, graduates will be offered alternative accommodation for periods not covered by their leases.

Rent for the 2024-25 academic year (standard contract) is £30.22* per night in College (The Cheng Building and Staircase XX). The Ship Street houses have two tier prices: £29.32* per night for rooms measuring 11 m^2 or more and £24.92* per night for smaller rooms, measuring 7 m^2 to 10.99 m^2 . These rates are fully inclusive of all utilities and weekly cleaning. Rent is payable via battels (termly College bills) which are sent out on Wednesday of 1st Week and are due for payment by Monday of 3rd Week.

12-month accommodation license for Graduates:

Jesus College has made available a selected number of rooms, across the sites, to those graduates who wish to have a 12-month license, instead of a license for the academic year only. Graduates taking up the 12-month license offer will commit to the accommodation for the <u>full</u> 12 months (including vacations). The selection of such accommodation is as follows:

- The Cheng Building and Staircase XX: £30.22* per night inclusive of utilities and weekly cleaning
- Central accommodation (Ship Street): £29.32* per night (or £24.92* for small rooms), inclusive of utilities and weekly cleaning
- Annex sites £27.62 per night inclusive of utilities and exclusive of cleaning

Couples flats at our annex site

Flats for couples at Herbert Close (East Oxford Annex)

The College has II one-bedroom flats in <u>Thelwall House</u>, which is also situated at Herbert Close. These are available to any student in a long-term relationship and whose partner wishes to join them in Oxford. The flats comprise an entrance hall, an open plan living room/dining room with a fully fitted kitchen, a double bedroom, a small study and a bathroom/toilet. They all have wired Ethernet access to the College and University computer networks and Wi-Fi. Application for the flats is open to fulltime graduates in any year whilst they are in fee liability.

The rent for the 2024-25 Standard Contract (academic year) is £38.07* per night. Liability for Council Tax is dependent on the status of the occupants, but, if it is due, is their responsibility. Water rates are included, but payment for other utilities is the responsibility of the occupants.

The standard flat leases for graduates will begin on Monday 29 September 2025 and terminate on Saturday 05 July 2026. Earlier arrivals are possible but must be booked with the Accommodation Office once the initial accommodation offer has been formally accepted. If necessary, graduates will be offered alternative accommodation for periods not covered by their leases.

General Information

There are regular bus services throughout the city, and many students also choose to cycle to and from College. There are locked bicycle sheds at all sites. Only students in couples' accommodation have access to parking at Herbert Close where parking permits must be displayed.

We regret that we are unable to accommodate children in any of our properties, as we have no accommodation suitable for families. Family accommodation can be requested at Oxford University Graduate housing https://gradaccommodation.admin.ox.ac.uk/

Please note that the keeping of pets is not allowed.

Bedding and towels, and cooking utensils, crockery, cutlery etc., are <u>not</u> provided. Shared Laundry facilities are available at all sites and operate via App to be downloaded on mobile phones. Instructions on how to download and operate any machines are available on posters in each laundry. All rooms have free-wired Ethernet connection to the College and University computer networks, and Wi-Fi. Please note that there are locked bicycle sheds at all sites but no parking for cars available on the main College site and Ship Street.

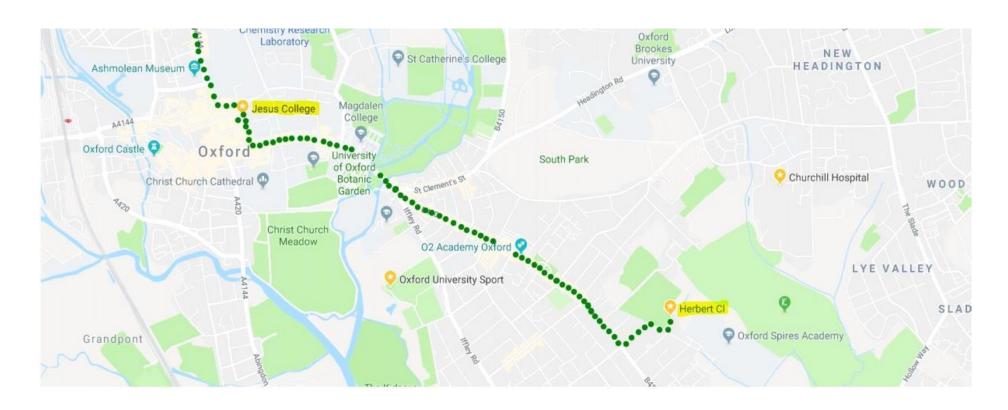
Please note College does not permit the use, charge or storage of any e-bikes or e-scooters at any of its premises.

Meals and utilities

Meals are available in the College dining hall during Full Term and during most of the vacations.

Further information about all of our accommodation can be found at: https://www.jesus.ox.ac.uk/study-here/life-at-jesus/accomodation/

Couples accommodation at Herbert Close - 2.8 km (35 minute journey on foot, 9 minute journey by bicycle



ACCOMMODATION DETAILS OVERVIEW

| Accommodation Details | | | Facilities | | Contract Details | | | Costs per night | Utilities Included | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--------------|--|------------------------|----------------|
| Accommodation | Location | Accommodation Type | En-suite facilities | Shared Kitchen | Term Time only | Standard Contract (approx 9 months) | 12 months | 2024-25 Subject to increase for 2025-26 | Electricity and Gas | Water Rates |
| Cheng Building | Central | Single rooms (double bed) | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | £30.22 | Yes | Yes |
| Staircase XX | Central | Single rooms (small double bed) | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | £30.22 | Yes | Yes |
| Staircase XX | Central | Single rooms (single bed) | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | £30.22 | Yes | Yes |
| Ship Street Houses | Central | Single rooms (single bed) | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | £29.32 | Yes | Yes |
| Ship Street Houses | Central | Small Single rooms (Single bed) | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | £24.92 | Yes | Yes |
| Couples' Flats (Herbert close) | East Oxford | Double room in self-contained flat | Own bathrooms | Own Kitchen | No | Yes | No | £39.40 | No | Yes |

Vacation Rates - Subject to increase for 2025-26

- Summer vacation rate for single rooms in Ship Street: £29.32 per night, inclusive of utilities and water rates (£24.92 per night for small rooms).
- Cheng Building rooms: £30.22 per night, inclusive of utilities and water rates.
- Summer vacation rate for couples' accommodation: £41.50, per night, inclusive of utilities and water rates.

ACCOMMODATION CONTRACTS DATES

| Accommodation Location | Start - Michaelmas Term 2025 | End - Trinity Term 2026 | | |
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| Standard Contracts | | | | |
| The Cheng Building, Staircase XXII & Ship Street Houses | Fri 03 October 2025 | Sat 04 July 2026 | | |
| Thelwall House (Couple's flats) | Mon 29 Sept 2025 | Sat 04 July 2026 | | |
| 12 Month Contracts | | | | |
| The Cheng Building, Staircase XXII and Ship Street houses | Fri 03 Oct 2025 | Sat 19 Sept 2026 | | |

Earlier arrivals are possible but must be booked with the Accommodation Office (accommodation.office@jesus.ox.ac.uk) once the accommodation initial offer has been formally accepted. Later departures may also be possible and must be booked via the relevant application (Stay Up form) which will be emailed to all in 4th week.