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Dear students,

We are thrilled that we will soon welcome you to Murray Edwards College and to the University of Cambridge. On behalf of everyone here, we offer our congratulations.

You will join an exceptional cohort of students. We have chosen you not just because you have proven yourselves academically but because we judged that you have the capacity and the potential to get the most out of your time at Cambridge. We think you will enjoy Murray Edwards and do well in your studies here.

Going to live and study in a new place is always an exciting and sometimes a daunting prospect. Here at the College, there are many people ready to support you as you start the next stage of your education and your life. These include friendly staff members, student representatives and our returning students. Our pioneering Gateway Programme is available to equip all students with academic and personal skills and life-changing opportunities.

Murray Edwards has been home to generations of talented women whose numbers you will join. The College is a relaxed and supportive community, where you can walk on the grass, pick flowers and plants, and find inspiration from our stunning modern architecture and the Women's Art Collection on display throughout our buildings and gardens. We are confident that you will be happy here.

The purpose of the rest of this email is to share some practical information with you before you arrive. We encourage you to learn as much as you can about the College as early on as possible.

Congratulations once more and I look forward to meeting you soon.

With best wishes,

Dr Andrew Rudd  
Senior Tutor

## **ID Checks**

If you haven't already emailed a scan of your ID to [tutorial@murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk](mailto:tutorial@murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk), please do so at your earliest convenience.

## **CRSIDs**

We have sent this email to your @cam.ac.uk address and your personal email address. However, this is the last time we will use your personal email address. You must check your @cam.ac.uk account regularly from now on as we will send important information to this address only. If you haven't accessed your @cam email address yet, you will need to complete the Student Registration exercise.

## **Coming Up**

Arrival day is Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September unless you have been given permission to arrive prior to this date. Everyone, including students who have arrived earlier in the week, must register with the tutorial office between 9am-2pm in the VSR. You must bring the original proof of your ID that has already been emailed in.

You will register, sign your licence agreement and be issued with your university card and room key.

If travelling by car, please use the Storey's Way Car Park to unload your belongings. Once unloaded, we may ask that cars are moved to alternative parking so that all arrivals run smoothly and the car park does not run out of capacity. If it is necessary to move cars, there is Madingley Park and Ride which is a 10 minutes' drive away (with a bus stop on Madingley road which is a 5-minute walk from the College) and there is a pay & display car park at Shire Hall which is roughly a 5/10-minute walk from the College.

## **Freshers' Week timetable**

Please see the website for a draft timetable. This will be continually updated so please do keep checking.

## **Matriculation Dinner**

There is a dinner to celebrate your matriculation on the evening of Monday 2nd October which you are expected to attend. Please complete the webform [here](#) if you have any dietary requirements or to request permission to not attend due to another important commitment. Gowns must be worn. More details on timings can be found in the Freshers' Week Timetable.

## **Gowns**

Students are required to wear academic gowns at various formal occasions. They are also normally worn at Formal Halls, both in this College and in other Colleges you may visit for a Formal Hall. We recommend that you buy one for use while you're a student here. You can sell the gown when you

leave: the JCR will be selling new gowns at a discounted price at the start of term. Gowns may also be bought from either [Ede and Ravenscroft](#) or [Ryder and Amies](#).

### **DoS/Tutor meetings**

Within a few of days of arrival, you will have individual meetings with your Director of Studies and your Tutor. You will either be emailed details of your appointment times or invited to make appointments through Moodle; **it is very important to keep these appointments.**

### **Emergency Contact Procedure**

Please visit [this page](#) to provide an emergency contact and read how student emergency and welfare contact details are collected and updated, the circumstances under which the College will use these details, decision making, and who will make contact. Students need to read this document carefully and complete the [webform](#).

