



JESUS COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE



DEVELOPMENT CAMPAIGN 2020 – 2021



I began at Jesus College as an MPhil student and was accepted to continue as a PhD candidate. If Jesus had not assisted in funding my PhD, I would have been unable to continue my studies. It is due to the generosity of donors that Jesus can provide educational opportunities for its students. This support exemplifies the strong community found at Jesus, where one is looked after from matriculation to graduation and beyond.”

Lisa Vickers (2016)

STUDENT SUPPORT

Over 400 students receive some form of financial support from the College. In these days of greater costs for higher education, it is important that the College has at its disposal the funds to help those in financial need, be it for an undergraduate bursary, graduate scholarship or grant towards course essentials such as textbooks or field trips.

The value of bursaries ranges from £300 to £3,500 per year and last year we awarded £314,335 to 112 undergraduates. We are able to offer a number of supplementary grants, ranging from £20 to £2,750, to help students in unexpected financial difficulties.

With your help we can ensure that the best young minds, from all backgrounds, will be encouraged to apply to and thrive here at Jesus. A gift to this area will be recognised as part of the University-wide Student Support Initiative (SSI), established to offer even greater support for students to study at Cambridge without financial barriers.

TEACHING

A Cambridge education is unparalleled. The close attention to a student's progress that takes place in Jesus College, via undergraduate supervisions and postgraduate tutorials, is one of the most personalised and effective systems of higher education in the world. Students engage with world-leading scholars and receive ongoing feedback on their academic progress, providing the structure and individual encouragement critical to high quality self-study.

For centuries this approach has been at the heart of the student experience at Jesus College. The cost of this is high – the income the College receives from fees alone does not cover the expenditure of the exceptional education we provide. Philanthropic support is critical to ensuring we can safeguard this unique educational system. We must protect it from the vagaries of government funding and ensure that the advanced study of all subjects remains a viable path for all students with the necessary talent and tenacity to succeed here.



"I have very fond memories of my time as a postgraduate student at Jesus College. The College provided critical support during my studies. Jesus is a very special community which I thoroughly enjoy being a part of. I am delighted to offer my support and give back to the College, to ensure that future generations can benefit as I did."

John Driscoll III (1983)

OUTREACH AND WIDENING PARTICIPATION

Jesus is committed to widening access to our world-class education through our outreach and widening participation programme. This aims to encourage and enthuse young people to apply to Cambridge regardless of financial or educational background.

Our outreach and widening participation team reaches the College's link areas, which include the county of Tyne and Wear, the London boroughs of Brent, Ealing and Westminster, and three schools in Peterborough. They also provide a variety of engagement opportunities for students in Year 10 and Year 12. We aim to reach over 20,000 students each year.

A donation in support of these initiatives will contribute towards raising aspirations in relation to post-16 education and university choice.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The College's buildings and facilities contribute to an outstanding educational environment for our students.

We also have a responsibility to preserve and protect for the benefit of former and future members and for the enjoyment of the wider community. Within these historic sites, repairs and modernisation are a constant need.

For example, with your assistance we can ensure the kitchen spaces, where College meals are prepared and have remained pretty much untouched in 900 years, are renovated to serve today's requirements.

“As a Fellow who studied at Jesus College as an undergraduate, I have first-hand experience of the outstanding education that the College offers all its students. It is a privilege to join the community here at Jesus and to work alongside those who taught me. As the recipient of financial assistance myself, I know that the generous support of our alumni and friends is crucial in ensuring that the College continues to make this transformative education available to all students, regardless of financial background.”

Dr Rebecca Anne Barr (1996), Fellow and Lecturer in Gender and Sexualities



THANK YOU!

Nearly 2,000 alumni and friends made a gift to the College in the last year.

Together we can make an enormous difference to our students' experiences by providing them with the resources and support to develop their potential and embrace all that our College education can offer.



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