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“Outreach work both pre-university and while studying at Jesus is critical in making a world class educational experience available to everyone. Thanks to donations and the bursary funds they help establish, living in Jesus is less expensive than if I were to study at my local university (Queen's, Belfast). Academic potential should be the sole determining factor for acceptance at Cambridge, and because of philanthropy it can be.”

Jamie Brannigan (2017)

STUDENT SUPPORT

Over 500 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 a record £333,535 to 114 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

Undergraduate supervisions and graduate tutorials sit at the heart of a Jesus College education, which, with close attention to a student’s progress, is one of the most personalised and effective systems of higher education in the world.

The cost of offering this is high – income from fees does not cover the cost of the education we provide. With your support we can safeguard our unique educational system and pursue our charitable purpose well into the future.
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 travels to 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 residentials and taster days for students in Year 10 and Year 12. Over 20,000 students have been reached in the last year.

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

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. With your assistance, we can ensure the kitchen spaces where College meals are prepared, which have remained pretty much untouched in 900 years, are renovated to serve today’s requirements.

“I feel incredibly fortunate to have been a student at Jesus College. Its beautiful setting and the wonderful people I met made my time there an amazing experience. I am proud to be a Jesuan and to give my support to the Development Campaign, so that the College can continue to provide the fantastic education that I was able to benefit from.”

Kay Ashton (1982)
As a Fellow of Jesus I am extremely fortunate, surrounded by brilliant and dedicated colleagues, staff and students in one of the most beautiful settings in Cambridge. I know that none of this would be possible without the constant support and generosity of our donors, who, through gifts large and small, allow us to maintain and expand our grounds and buildings, have endowed fellowships, scholarships and prizes and have provided much-needed student bursaries.

Professor James Clackson, Vice-Master, Fellow and Director of Studies in Classics

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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