

Queens' MCR Fresher's Week Guide 2017

Details of the events and locations
(Mandatory in bold).



Tuesday the 26th of September: If you are arriving early, join us for a welcoming reception in the *Woodville Room* from 5pm to 6pm, followed by dinner in *Cripps Hall*, and then a pub trip to *The Eagle* from 7:30pm.

Thursday 28th of September: Collect room keys at the *Porter's Lodge (PLodge)* on Silver Street, and check your pigeon hole- the source of much information throughout your time at Queens! Join us at 7pm at the *PLodge* from where we will leave for the *Anchor Pub* opposite the Mathematical Bridge for the *welcome event* – after 7pm just come to *the Anchor*.



Friday 29th of September: The **Graduate Tutors' Welcome Lunch buffet** is served from **12:00**, in *QBar/conservatory*, followed by a **welcome presentation** by the graduate tutors, college staff, and MCR President from **1pm** in the *Fitzpatrick Hall*. From **2:15pm**, **sign the Matriculation Register, meet the President**, Lord Eatwell, in the *President's Lodge*, and collect your University Card. Following this, **afternoon tea** will be served in the *President's garden* until **4:15pm**, (or *Old Hall* in poor weather). From 5:45 to 7pm, dinner is in *Cripps Hall*, as is normal for term time; the *MCR Drinks Reception* will be held in *The Armitage Room* from 8pm, with formal dress code*.

Saturday 30th of September: *College Brunch* is served from 11am to 1:30pm in *Cripps Hall* on Saturdays, and the *MCR Coffee morning and "grad buddy" Q&A session* will run concurrently in *QBar/conservatory*. This is your opportunity to meet your 'grad buddy', a continuing member of the MCR studying a subject close to yours, who can answer questions surrounding your subject, course & college. A *tour of Queens'* will take place at 1:30pm and a *practical tour of Cambridge* at 2:15pm, both leaving from outside the *Woodville Room*. The tour will end at *Ryder & Amies*, where gowns are sold (required for the matriculation photo and dinner). From 3pm to 6pm, there will be *MCR Punting* in 1-hour slots, using the college punts moored outside the *Woodville room*. The *MCR Quiz* will start post-dinner at 7:30pm in *QBar* (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks are available). At 11pm, we will leave *QBar* for a *night out in Cambridge*.

Sunday 1st of October: A *Granchester Meadows run* will leaving from the *Owlstone croft gate* at 10am. *Brunch* is from 11am to 1:30pm. From 11am to 1pm, individual portrait photos are taken on *Erasmus Lawn*. Appointment slots can be reserved in advance, see the GFI pack on the college website for reservation details - <http://www.queens.cam.ac.uk/apply-to-queens/graduates/graduate-fresher-information-pack>. At **1:30pm**, the **matriculation photo** is taken (formal dress code* with gowns) in *Walnut Tree Court*, followed by a **mixer event** in *Cripps Hall* from **2pm**, the **Queens' Scavenger Hunt** at **3:15pm**, and **Subject Cluster Groups and Refreshments** from **4pm** in the *Old Hall & Old Kitchens*. You will be walking around college for this, so wear sensible shoes to the photograph or bring a pair to change in to afterwards! A *trip to The Mill* will leave from the *PLodge* at 8pm, and proceed to the *Eagle*: Crick & Watson's favourite.

Monday 2nd of October: 20 minute *Queens' Library tour* at either 10am or 2pm: includes introductions to catalogues, e-resources, and the self-issue system. *Lunch* is served in *Cripps Hall* from 12:30 to 2pm. From 2:30 to 3:30, *Queens' boat club Squash* (party/reception to introduce people to the club) will be held in *Fitzpatrick Hall*, and from 3:30pm to 6pm, the *Societies Squash* will take place, in *Lyon Court (Fitzpatrick Hall if raining)*. At 7pm, *introduction to the Cambridge Library System* will be held with the librarian in *CC43 (Cripps Court)*, covering e-resources and collections. In the evening, from 8pm, a *buffet/barbeque* will be held at *Owlstone Croft*, with taxis organised from college houses.

Tuesday 3rd of October: 20 minute *Queens' Library tour* at either 10am or 2pm. At 3pm, *introduction to the Cambridge Library System* will be held with the librarian in *CC43 (Cripps Court)*. At 5:45pm, there is a *pre-dinner service* in the *chapel*, for those who wish to attend, followed by the **matriculation dinner** from **6:45**, in *Fitzpatrick Hall* and *Cripps Hall* (dress code as for *matric. photo*). After the **matriculation dinner**, there will be a *Bar Night* in *QBar*.

Wednesday 4th of October: 20 minute *Queens' Library tour* at either 10am or 2pm. Trips to the *University Freshers' Fair* will depart from the *PLodge* at 10am and 11am (it's also held on Tuesday the 3rd). At 3pm, *introduction to the Cambridge Library System* will be held with the librarian in *CC43 (Cripps Court)*. After dinner, a non-alcoholic celebration of *Mid-Autumn Day* will be held in the *Bowett Room* from 8pm, whilst the *Cambridge MCR Bar Crawl* will depart from *QBar* at 7:45- a great opportunity to see other bars in Cambridge, and socialise!

* **Formal Dress Code:** For men, typically a lounge suit & tie, whilst for women, whatever they feel is appropriate, but typically a dress ranging in length from just above the knee to 2 inches above the ankle. Gowns are required for formals/matriculation dinner.



Thursday 5th of October: 20 minute *Queens' Library tour* at either 10am or 2pm. The first *MCR Formal* of term will be held in *Cripps Hall*, with drinks from 6:45pm in the *Woodville Room* or *QBar*. Sign up and pay on UPAY; the dress code is formal* (Gowns also required).

Friday 6th of October: The *MCR Party* will be held from 8pm in the *Woodville Room*, concurrently to an optional QEnts (JCR) Tripos-themed *Bop*- tickets are available to purchase on the door.

Saturday 7th of October: *Brunch* from 11am to 1:30pm will be followed by the famous *Granchester Walk*, as pictured, departing from the *PLodge* at 2pm.

Wander along the Cam to *Granchester Orchard*, where you may partake in *afternoon tea*. A *Grad Choir Concert* will be held from 6pm, location TBC, and *LGBT+ welcome drinks* will be held in the *Woodville Room* from 7pm.

Sunday 8th of October: *Brunch* from 11am to 1:30pm will be followed by a *PhD Q&A session* in the *Woodville Room* from 2 to 3:30pm. A *trip to the Fitzwilliam Museum and/or Botanic Gardens*, will depart from the *PLodge* at 3:30. Join us for an exploration of history, art, and plants! *Evensong* will take place in the chapel from 6pm followed by a *drinks reception* with the Dean of Chapel (all welcome to attend). *MCR wine and cheese* (& non-alcoholic option) will start at 8pm in *Old Hall*, with formal* or Black Tie dress code.



Monday 9th of October/Tuesday 10th of October: From **6:30 to 7:30pm- Drinks Reception** in the *President's Lodge* (a personal invitation will be emailed to you, with the relevant date).

Wednesday 11th: Doug Dennis's (Queens' Alumni) *Historical tour* taking in Cambridge history, leaving from the *PLodge* at 1:30pm: highly recommended!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25 th SEPTEMBER	26 th 17:00-18:00: Drinks in Woodville Room, 18:00: Dinner in Cripps Hall 19:30: Pub Trip: The Eagle	27 th	28 th 19:00: Welcome event, at The Anchor. Meet at the PLodge, or join us across the road.	29 th 12:00: Graduate tutor's buffet, 13:00: Welcome Presentation, 14:15: Signing of matriculation register, university card collection, meet the president, followed by afternoon Tea in President's Garden 17:45: Dinner as normal, 20:00: MCR Welcome Reception	30 th 11:00- 13:30: Brunch, Coffee & 'Grad Buddy' Q&A; 13:30: College Tour, 14:15: Practical Cambridge Tour. 15:00-18:00: MCR Punting, 19:30: MCR Quiz, 23:00: Night out in Cambridge	1 st OCTOBER 10:00: Run Club, 11:00-13:30: brunch & Portraits on Erasmus Lawn until 1pm, 13:30: Matriculation Photo, 14:00: Mixer event 15:15: Scavenger Hunt, 16:00: Clusters & Refreshments 20:00: Trip to Eagle
2 nd 10:00 & 14:00: Library Tours, 12:30-14:00: Lunch, 14:30-15:30: Queens' boat club Squash 15:30-18:00: Societies/sports squash 19:00: Intro to Cambridge Library. 20:00: Owlstone Coft Buffet (OC Common room).	3 rd 10:00 & 14:00: Library Tours, 15:00: Intro to Cambridge library system 17:45: Chapel service, 18:45-22:00: Matriculation Dinner 22:00-23:00: Drinks served in QBar	4 th 10:00 & 14:00: Library Tours, 10:00 & 11:00, Meet for group visit to Fresher's Fair at PLodge. 15:00: Intro to Cambridge library system, 19:45/20:00: Cambridge Bar Crawl, Mid-autumn day celebration	5 th 10:00 & 14:00: Library Tours, 18:45-22:00: First MCR Formal: Drinks served from 18:45 in Woodville Room/QBar.	6 th 20:00: MCR Woodville Room Party and QEnts Tripos Bop	7 th 11:00-13:30: Brunch in Fitzpatrick Hall. 14:00-18:00: Visit to Granchester. 18:00: Grad Choir Concert 19:00: LGBT+ Welcome drinks, Woodville Room	8 th 11:00-13:30 Brunch, 14:00-15:30: PhD Meetup, Q&A session. 15:30: museum/garden trip. 18:00: First Choral Evensong, followed by a reception with the Dean of Chapel. 20:00: MCR Wine, Cheese & non-alcoholic drinks, in Old Hall
9 th 18:30-19:30: 1st President's Lodge visit	10 th 18:30-19:30: 2nd President's Lodge visit	11 th 13:30: Doug Dennis: Tour of Cambridge.	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th