



Thames Valley Network

NETWORK STUDY DAY

A look into the History of Oxford University

A taste of life in an Oxford College

15 September 2010 at Merton College, Oxford

Oxford is not just a historic city but the home of the oldest university in the English-speaking world; Oxford University is a unique and historic institution and life in a University College is a unique experience. This Study Day, will explore the history, architectural, artistic and academic aspects of both the City and University. It will be held in Merton College (one of the oldest foundations within the University of Oxford) in the centre of the City.

The Day is intended for those who wish to learn more about Oxford and wish to have a taste of life in an Oxford College.



PROGRAMME

10.00 Arrival and registration. Coffee & tea.

10.30 Lectures on the origins of the University in Oxford and the development of the college system.

The History of Merton College and of the University through the ages.

13.00 Lunch in hall.

14.00 A tour of Merton College and exploration of Christchurch Meadow and the surrounding area (depending on the British weather).

15.30 Lecture on Oxford University up to the present day and into the future.

17.30 Coffee

18.00 Bar open for drinks

19.00 Dinner in hall.

Close by 20.30-21.00

The college is not really accessible by wheel chair and the programme will also be difficult for those not able to climb stairs or with limited mobility. There is also no parking available.

The cost will be around £95 per person including lunch and dinner. Members of U3A's which are not affiliated to the Thames Valley Network are welcome at an additional fee of £5.

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Applications must be in by the end of March 2010 with the payment so that we can confirm the booking with the college and lecturers.

