## What will happen to student rents? Will they be waived if I am not in residence?

If you have a College licence agreement for accommodation in Trinity term but are not in residence, you will not be charged rent and your licence will be cancelled.

## Undergraduates

We do not expect you to return to Oxford in Trinity Term. However, if government policy changes and you are allowed to return to College accommodation, you will need to request permission from the College by emailing <u>covid19@seh.ox.ac.uk</u> and provide compelling reasons why you need to do so. A new licence agreement will be set up and you will be charged rent in the usual way from the date you return. You are unlikely to be allocated the same room that you occupied in Michaelmas and Hilary Term. For those few undergraduates who were unable to leave College, you will continue to be charged rent.

Reasons, such as academic disruption, which may in normal circumstances appear to be compelling, are not viewed this way in the current situation. We understand that this is frustrating, but the University has arranged for online teaching and remote examinations for Trinity Term. Information on resources from the College library can be found on the website at the following address: https://www.seh.ox.ac.uk/discover/explore-teddy-hall/library

Please note, there will be no catering provision during Trinity Term and therefore the termly catering charge will not be applied.

# Postgraduates

For those students currently in residence, you will continue to be charged rent. For those who have returned home, you are unable to return to Oxford under the current Government guidelines. If you do not return to Oxford in Trinity Term, you will not be charged rent for the final term for those on a three-term licence or the final period for those on a 44 week licence (23/4/20 - 24/7/20) and your licence with the College will be cancelled. If government policy changes and you are allowed to return to College accommodation, you will need to request permission from the College by emailing covid19@seh.ox.ac.uk and provide compelling reasons why you need to do so which must include permission from your department that you need to be in Oxford to continue your course.

### Students in private accommodation

For students in private rented accommodation, the College has no control over the arrangements, and students are likely to still be liable for the rest of the year to their landlords. Oxford SU provides signposting for advice on its <u>website</u> or by email at <u>advice@oxfordsu.ox.ac.uk</u>. Any students in financial distress should apply for support through the usual channels.

### What about my belongings? Will you store them for me?

We understand that some students were not able to take all their possessions when they left Oxford. It may be possible to have your belongings sent to you in due course, though there would be a charge for this. There is limited storage space available, but for the time being the possessions will remain in student rooms.

If your licence has been cancelled, the college may require your room for other purposes, including support for key workers. If you were unable to take your possessions with you, the College may need to move these.

For further assistance or any queries, please contact <u>covid19@seh.ox.ac.uk</u>.

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