# **Travelling to Oxford**

## Air

All three of London's main airports are connected to Oxford by public transport, although service is much better from Gatwick and Heathrow than from Stanford.

Details of bus travel between Oxford and both Heathrow and Gatwick — including timetables — can be found at <a href="https://airline.oxfordbus.co.uk">https://airline.oxfordbus.co.uk</a> Tickets can be bought online in advance or directly from the driver using cash or contactless cards up to £30. Credit cards are not accepted, but cash payments can be made in Euros and US dollars instead of Sterling.

## Heathrow

Services depart from Heathrow Central Bus Station (Terminals 2 and 3) and from Terminal 5 (British Airways flights only). If you are arriving at Terminal 4 there is a free bus service available to take you to Terminal 5. Buses from Heathrow to Oxford depart every 30 minutes during the day and less frequently at night. Travel time is normally 80-90 minutes. You will find it easiest to stay on the bus until the final stop at Gloucester Green Bus Station. From there the walk to local taxi stands is no more than 100 m.

The price of a period return bus fare between Heathrow and Oxford is currently £30, while a taxi will cost about £ 5-6 more.

# Gatwick

Buses from Gatwick leave for Oxford every hour, departing from both the North and South Terminals. Travel time is normally about two to two and a half hours. Once again, you will find it easiest to stay on the bus until the final stop at Gloucester Green Bus Station and then take a taxi to your accommodation. A period return bus fare between Gatwick and Oxford currently costs £37.

#### Stansted

If arriving in the United Kingdom at London Stansted bus services are significantly fewer. You may find it easier (though probably more expensive) to travel into London by train and proceed to Oxford from there than to use the National Express bus service (Number 737) that connects the airport to Oxford directly. Further information on travel between Stansted and Oxford can be found at <a href="https://www.stanstedairport.com/getting-to-and-from/oxford/">https://www.stanstedairport.com/getting-to-and-from/oxford/</a>

# **Train**

If you are already in the United Kingdom, or are arriving here by train using the Eurostar service from Paris, Brussels, or Amsterdam, you have two choices for getting to Oxford by train.

Trains to Oxford's main railway station depart every 30 minutes or so from London Paddington. There are also direct connections to Birmingham New Street, Manchester, Newcastle, and Southampton.

Trains to Oxford Parkway, located north of the city centre, but continuing on to the main railway station, depart from London Marylebone every 30 minutes.

Details of journeys and fares for both services can be found at <a href="https://www.nationalrail.co.uk">https://www.nationalrail.co.uk</a> Taxis are available at both railway stations. Alternatively, from Oxford Parkway you can take a bus from outside the station itself (Number 500) or from the main road at the top of the ramp that leads out from the station (Number 2) and get off at St Margaret's Road. The College is opposite the bus stop.

## Bus

If you prefer to reach Oxford by bus from London then the X90 service and the Oxford Tube provide regular services between Gloucester Green bus station in Oxford city centre and central London. Information on departure times and fares can be found at <a href="https://x90.oxfordbus.co.uk">https://x90.oxfordbus.co.uk</a> and <a href="https://www.oxfordtube.com">https://www.oxfordtube.com</a> respectively. Period return fares cost £14-15 per person.

# Car

Oxford has limited parking facilities and you will almost certainly find it easier to reach it using public transport. If, however, you do wish to drive to the conference then <u>limited</u> parking is available on the St Hugh's College site.