

Hulme Common Room

Brasenose College

Dear Graduate Fresher,

I'd like to offer you a massive welcome to Brasenose College. You are now, as a graduate student of Brasenose, a member of the Hulme Common Room (HCR). Every college has an equivalent to this; most of these are called Middle Common Rooms (MCRs) but in our case its instead named after the previous donor Hulme. The physical space for the HCR is in the Old Quad of the Brasenose College main site and most of the Fresher's week activities will take place there.

The HCR has a committee and we run events for the HCR throughout the year. We are eager for new committee members to join us, and therefore, we will have elections after Fresher's week to give everyone an opportunity to get involved. By no means do you need to be on committee to get involved in the HCR however, as we often need helpers at the events we run. :)

For Freshers week we have a dedicated Whatsapp chat <u>here</u> which will include all the Freshers week events (information about these events will also be emailed). Then, following Freshers week, we will move this to a more general year-group HCR chat. You can also sign up to be part of a college family <u>here</u>. This consists of meeting some current students (your college parents) who can help to unpick the endless jargon in Oxford and be a point of contact for any questions you have. There will also be a pub quiz among the families!

As mentioned above all our events will be emailed to you, but you can also check the HCR calendar from the HCR website <u>here</u>. Keep an eye out for these emails during Freshers week for updates of events planned each day.

I've really enjoyed my time at Brasenose, and in the last couple of years I have benefitted a lot from the buzzing social life in the HCR. The HCR is a safe space, and everyone is welcome. I hope you all have a great time at Freshers week and that the HCR can help with the process of settling in at the start of your studies here. Please feel free to reach out to me or to the committee if you have any questions; you can find our emails on the HCR website. We can't wait to meet you and to get this year started!

Best wishes,

Matt

Brasenose HCR President

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