



Y12 Introduction to Cambridge Day Visit Programme

Summary:

This is a set programme for introductory visits to Cambridge for Y12 students, ideally to be held either in Michaelmas or early Lent Term. Visitors have the chance to learn more about Cambridge and Christ's College, to receive IAG on the admissions process and to speak to current undergraduates about student life. This programme is not designed to be subject-specific, but to have general applicability. However, subject-specific activities can be organised if required.

Target:

The event is targeted at Y12 students from one or more link-area schools (max 40 can be accommodated), the rationale being to provide this information precisely at the time in that year when the students are starting to think seriously about university. Schools are asked in advance to select pupils that they believe might be considering applying to Oxbridge (generally the most able). Aside from this, there is no selection process, socio-economically based or otherwise.

Aims:

The programme aims to introduce students to the university and to inform them about the admissions process and student life here. It also intends to raise aspirations regarding applying to and studying at Cambridge by emphasising the benefits of a Cambridge education, countering any misconceptions students might have about the university and leaving them with an impression of the college as diverse, accessible and highly appealing. If academic sessions are arranged, then a secondary aim is to give the attending students a taste of studying that subject at Cambridge.

Outcomes:

Attendees should feel more confident and informed about the benefits of studying at Cambridge and about the admissions process and student experience. Applications to Cambridge and to high-tariff universities should be higher among attendees than similar cohorts who have not attended such an event.

Evaluation:

Attendees may be surveyed after the event to ask whether and how their attitudes towards the university and its admissions process have changed. Individuals will then be tracked via HEAT to see the proportion applying to Cambridge.

Timetable:

Time	Session
From 10.30	Arrival and Welcome
10.30-11.00	Introduction and Cambridge Explained
11.00-11.45	Admissions Talk
11.45-12.30	Student Life Talk and Q&A
12.30-13.00	Lunch/Tour of College
13.00-13.30	Tour of College/Lunch
13.30-14.30	'What Next?' Super-Curricular Enrichment Talk and Q&A
14.30-15.30	Optional afternoon activities: academic session, second college tour, etc.
15.30	Return to Christ's and Departure



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Practical Information:

For all practical information for schools visiting Christ's College, please see:

<https://www.christs.cam.ac.uk/admissions/outreach-access-and-schools-liaison/practical>

For information on how to get to Christ's, please see:

<https://www.christs.cam.ac.uk/how-get-christs>

For a map of Christ's College, please see:

https://www.christs.cam.ac.uk/sites/www.christs.cam.ac.uk/files/inline-files/01_College-map_2017_4.pdf

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