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Expanding Horizons Scholarship (see below for a reminder of the details) the application form is now available on Weblearn.

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1. IN[SCI]TE Undergraduate Science Conference

BY UNDERGRADUATES FOR UNDERGRADUATES

18-19 April 2017, Merton College, Oxford

IN[SCI]TE is an undergraduate interdisciplinary science, technology, and engineering conference, which will take place in 0th Week Trinity Term 2017. Get ready for great talks and interactive workshops! Ticket sales opening soon! For more information follow our Facebook page at facebook.com/insciteco or visit our website at inscite.co/oxford/. We hope to see you there!!

2. International Relations Society Week 4 Notices

British Diplomacy and Negotiation - Sir Frank Berman

7:30pm, Wednesday of 4th Week (February 8th) https://www.facebook.com/events/376220689404344/

The Colonial Legacies of Britain and France – Professor Robert Gildea 7:30pm, Thursday of 5th Week (February 16th)

https://www.facebook.com/events/112878692562318/

Charities and Community

1. Project Access – Mentoring Opportunity

Project Access is a non-profit initiative that seeks to level the playing field in admissions processes to the world's top universities. The scheme works by providing mentor support to applicants via skype and email, access to an extensive knowledge base and an intelligent email service. It has been relatively successful to date running on an international scale, operating out of more than 10 countries worldwide to help international students make more competitive applications to their desired university. Project Access is launching a UK and Ireland branch, with a Northern Irish sub-division. The scheme is committed to helping Northern Irish students make strong applications, particularly to Oxford. Organisers primarily want to recruit mentors who are as recent graduates as possible, however input from any Northern Irish alumni would be highly valuable as the project is still in its infancy.

The scheme is also keen to encourage Northern Irish students who are currently at Oxford to share more of their experience through media such as 'day in the life' style vlogs, with the aim of encouraging Northern Irish students to apply. http://www.projectaccess.co/

Arts and Journalism

1. Comedy Night with the writer of BBC Radio 4's 'The Now Show

A Rather Sketchy Show

8pm, Friday 4th Week (10th Feb) – JdP Auditorium, St Hilda's College Comedy sketch group *Three Men in a Boot* ("genuinely original and hilarious" – Cherwell, 2016) are headlining a night of stand-up and sketch comedy from the finest talent in Oxford and on the professional circuit.

Glenn Moore, writer of BBC Radio 4's *The Now Show* will host the event and sketch group *Shelf* will perform their "winning hybrid of sketch show and stand up" (EdFringe Review).

Tickets are available now! @ https://jdp.st-

hildas.ox.ac.uk/event/comedy-night

Facebook Event: https://www.facebook.com/events/1811465602444125/

Trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F7uCfvIkRow

Careers/opportunities

1. Peter Kirk Memorial Fund Travel Scholarships

For 2017 we are offering eight scholarships, each worth £2,000. The aim of the scholarships is to give undergraduates and other young people, aged between 18 and 26, a greater understanding and appreciation of Europe by giving them money to enable them to travel and explore a subject of their choice. They can spend between six weeks and three months away, often making use of the long summer vacation, and are then required to submit a report.

An application form and further information can be found by visiting our website at www.kirkfund.org.uk.

2. Examination Fellowships 2017: OPEN EVENING FOR WOMEN

Friday 3 March (Week 7) at 5pm in the Hall, All Souls College

All Souls holds an exam every autumn for students who have recently graduated from, or are registered for a higher degree at, the University of Oxford. Candidates may choose to sit papers in Classics, Economics, English Literature, History, Law, Philosophy or Politics, and there is also a General component. The Fellowship lasts for seven years. Those elected receive a generous stipend, accommodation and career support, and may either choose to pursue an academic career, or to contribute to wider academic life while pursuing a non-academic career. The Open Evening is an opportunity for

interested women to learn about the Examination Fellowship – to find out more about the exam process, and to meet some members of the College. All Souls is committed to attracting men and women from all backgrounds, and welcomes enquiries about the Examination Fellowship from anyone. Further information is available on our website: https://www.asc.ox.ac.uk/examination-fellowships-general-information

3. Applications are now open for Conference Coordinator at the Innovation Forum!

<u>Innovation Forum</u> is a global **not-for-profit** network, with 16 branches at leading Universities, that aims to accelerate innovative technology development by building bridges between academics, industry experts, the NHS and policy makers.

We are looking for a motivated, pro-active young researcher (MSc, PhD, Postdoc) with an interest in innovation and curiosity for exploring the interface between industry and academia.

If you are interested in:

- Applying your organisational and interpersonal skills to serve the science and innovation sphere
- Diversifying and enhancing your professional profile on your CV beyond the academic scope
- Becoming part of a strong local and international network in the innovation ecosystem
- Connecting with senior executives and leaders in industry, academia, and the investment world
- Acquiring invaluable practical knowledge and broader awareness of the interface between academia and industry
- Co-ordinating a reputable global conference with proven record of excellency

Then apply now!

To apply please send an email to <u>danuta.jeziorska@inno-forum.org</u> with a CV, a brief covering letter.

Miscellaneous

1. OUMDC Mercedes Tour + Economic Study

Tour: OUMDC has organized an exclusive, behind-the-scenes factory tour of the Mercedes F1 Factory!

The tour will be on Tuesday 2nd May. This invite only applies to OUMDC members as the tour is **FREE** and space is **HIGHLY LIMITED** – so please register your interest on the link provided at the bottom.

Your attendance will be confirmed by email closer to the time. This tour is an incredibly unique opportunity to witness the brilliant engineering that has masterminded Mercedes' triple success, and a chance to see how they have adapted to the new regulations in force this season.

If you are not a member, life-time membership is just 20 pounds and includes access to all our exclusive events, including other factory tours, socials, and races. The Mercedes F1 Factory is not normally open to the general public - this tour alone is well worth the membership fee! https://goo.gl/forms/yesWz1Soxxa4RH333

Study: "The effects of inequality on a worker's productivity." An economic experiment that will take just 30 minutes, and at least ONE prize of 30-50 pounds is available.

For every 15 attendees, prizes and the number of prizewinners will increase. It will take place at **14.30 on Saturday, 11th of February** in the **Danson Room** Trinity College.

Anyone interested in signing up should email: trinityoxfordjcr@gmail.com

2. Healthy men needed for clinical research study

We are looking for healthy male volunteers to for a study that uses magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans to look at how potential painkiller works. The study involves 5 visits. You would be asked to lie still in a scanner, and would also be asked to rate some physical stimuli to determine whether they are painful. You would be reimbursed for your time and expenses. On one of the visits you would be asked to take an investigational drug, and on another visit you would take a placebo pill. The study would also involve some blood tests

MRI is a type of brain scan that is very safe, and that allows us to see how the brain is organised, processes information and performs skills. It is very useful in understanding how painkillers work.

Who are we looking for? Healthy fluent English-speaking men aged 18-55 who do not have any contraindications to having an MRI scan (if in doubt we will confirm this), do not take any regular medications, and have no history of neurological or psychiatric illness. If you are interested and would like more information please contact Sarah Waldman at the FMRIB Centre, John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford on 01865 222725 or sarah.waldman@pmb.ox.ac.uk.