










## St Catherine's College - Self-Guided Tour - Please note you cannot access any of the buildings 🚫

- **Youngest, and largest**, undergraduate and graduate college, with **approximately 1000 students** (around 500 undergraduates, 450 graduates and 50 visiting students).
- Founded in **1962**, but dates back to the **19<sup>th</sup> Century**, when it was a Society established to help students gain an Oxford education without College membership costs.
- **Grade I** listed building, built by Danish architect **Arne Jacobsen**, who designed everything down to the door handles and cutlery.

 <p><b>Arumugan Building</b> The Arumugan Building houses the Porters' Lodge and 'Pidge' Room on the ground floor. The Porters are onsite 24/7 and deal with all sorts of tasks from welcoming visitors to sorting post to security. In the 'Pidge' room you can collect your post and it's nothing to do with pigeons!</p>	 <p><b>The Ainsworth Graduate Centre</b> The Graduate Centre houses an MCR, seminar rooms and several multipurpose spaces. The MCR stands for Middle Common Room and provides a space for graduate students to hang out. The Centre is named after Roger Ainsworth, our late Master.</p>
 <p><b>The Punt House and New Quad (Staircases 17-26)</b> The College has a collection of punts. These are long boats which you direct with a pole. Have a look for chalk drawings in this quad, what sport might they be referring to? In this quad our 2<sup>nd</sup> years reside in en-suite accommodation.</p>	 <p><b>Bike Shed</b> We have a secure, locked bike shed. It has been said it is the only Grade I listed bike shed in the UK! Many students cycle but most locations are in easy walking distance. The College is only a ten minute walk from the city centre for example.</p>
 <p><b>The Original Entrance</b> Across the moat is the original entrance. It was designed to resemble a drawbridge. The glass rooms on either side used to be the old Lodge and are now seminar rooms which often hold tutorials (small group teaching).</p> <p><b>Music House</b> Facilities within the Music House include two grand pianos and a harpsichord. It is used as a small recital room and a practice room. It is reserved at certain times for music students and available for anyone at other times. There are many opportunities to be involved in theatre productions, choirs and orchestras, and DJ at the city's clubs.</p>	 <p><b>The Wolfson Library</b> The Library holds over 60,000 books with a loan allowance of 12 books for four weeks. It holds core undergraduate reading material, complemented by collections of departmental and faculty libraries.</p> <p><b>The Old Quad and Accommodation (Staircases 1-16)</b> Most 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years live in the Old Quad. Typically rooms have their own wash-basin, and usually four showers and two toilets shared by nine people. Accommodation is cleaned on a regular basis by the College scouts and all rooms throughout College have full internet access. Some 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> years choose to live out instead.</p>
 <p><b>Hall</b> Hall seats 382 people and serves breakfast, lunch and dinner, every day. All three meals comes to around £10 and you pay by item. There are also small kitchenette facilities in much of the on-site accommodation.</p> <p><b>JCR and Bar</b> The JCR is a lounge for undergraduates. It has a TV, games console, coffee machine and sofas. Events here include JCR Committee (like school council) meetings and Entz (college parties). Next door is the bar and a games room with darts, pool and table football.</p>	 <p><b>Gym</b> The gym consists of two floors of equipment and an amusing collection of Catz team photos! There are two squash courts available for use. The gym is open 24/7 and free to use (apart from a £3 induction fee).</p> <p><b>Bernard Sunley Building</b> This building has a large lecture theatre where sometimes guests are invited to speak and smaller rooms where tutorials can occur. Just outside is an outdoor auditorium where plays can be put on in the summer.</p>

Thank you and enjoy your visit!



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<https://www.stcatz.ox.ac.uk/prospective-students/explore-catz/>

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