



# St. Clare's, Oxford

— An International Education —

## Institutional Profile

St. Clare's is a small, independent, co-educational, residential, international college in the beautiful city of Oxford. A not-for-profit charitable foundation with over 50 years experience in international education. Our mission is to advance international education and understanding. We offer a range of programmes tailored to the needs of students from around the world. Our senior students' (18+) campus and residences can accommodate up to 125 international students.

## Liberal Arts Programme

St. Clare's, Oxford has offered a Liberal Arts programme for university undergraduates for over 40 years. Our limited enrolment allows us to offer small classes (maximum of 12 students per class) with an emphasis on active learning and critical thinking; one-to-one tutorials; academic and pastoral support for each student; choice of residential accommodation; and personalised pre-arrival guidance and support. Students on the Liberal Arts programme can earn 15 units of transferable credit with optional extra credits. We offer a range of courses and tutorials in Art History/Studio Art, Communications, Economics and Business, English Literature, History, Mathematics, Politics, Philosophy, Psychology, Religion and Sociology. We offer Italian, Spanish, French and German courses at all levels as well as language tutorials in Russian, Chinese (Mandarin), Portuguese, Latin and Greek.

Undergraduate junior or sophomore students with a 3.0 GPA may enrol for a semester or for an academic year.

## St. Clare's Scholarships

### *St. Clare's and Blackfriars Hall Scholars' Programme*

The Scholar's programme of study is for highly motivated students who would relish the academic challenge of a one-to-one tutorial at Blackfriars in the fields of Philosophy or Religious Studies. This intensive course of study is equivalent to six units of credit. Other benefits to scholars include: at least one lecture course in the Blackfriars Studium; access to language courses in Latin, Greek or Hebrew during the autumn semester when an appropriate course is available; membership of the Junior Common Room at Blackfriars Hall; and invitations to Blackfriars' social events. In addition, scholars take at least three St. Clare's Liberal Arts courses. St. Clare's underwrites all tuition costs incurred at Blackfriars and provides scholars with a financial reward of £750 towards St. Clare's tuition costs.

### *Scholarships*

St. Clare's has a limited number of scholarships available to students on the basis of proven need. Scholarships are available for a maximum of 50% of total course fee (tuition and accommodation).

## Educational Studies Programme

This new programme is an excellent blend of educational theory and practice both in the UK and internationally. In addition to taking 2 or 3 courses from the menu of Liberal Arts courses, students will be assigned a monitored and assessed internship in a learning assistant role at a local primary or secondary school. The schools have been carefully selected with a view to their methods of

teaching, disciplinary techniques and diversity of student body. Moreover, drawing on the international experience of staff at St. Clare's, students on this programme attend an Educational Seminar series focusing on theoretical issues in a multidisciplinary manner and exploring the practical experience gained from the internship. The aim of the seminar is to think critically about how we learn, how we are taught, and how educational theory informs policy and is applied in practice in the UK and internationally. The first intake of students for this new programme will arrive in January 2006.

### **St. Clare's Seminar Series**

Each semester we invite renowned academics and specialists to present papers linked by a common theme. Open to all senior students, it is available for credit to those students meeting assessment criteria. Themes addressed in previous semesters have included: Violence and Human Conflict; Death and Love; Women of Power and Influence; Revolutions; Citizenship, Diversity and Democracy.

### **Internships**

St. Clare's can arrange a variety of internships, all of which provide students with international work experience. Internships offer many valuable opportunities for students to test their intended career field and to be part of a workplace in an English context.

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