



The Oxford alumni group network is an ever growing success story, thanks to your efforts as group volunteers, facilitating connections between alumni globally and with Oxford.

The Update Survey is a chance for us to explore and celebrate your group's successes and assess how best we can support you; the key results of which are contained within this document.

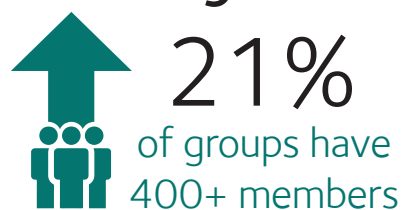
The latest survey examined group activity between 1 August 2018 and 31 July 2019. We achieved the highest ever response rate – thanks to those who replied!

We hope that in sharing the findings with you, you can gain ideas and inspiration.

Thank you once again for all you do.

**The Networks Team**  
Oxford Alumni Office

## Did you know?



We have had new groups open in the USA:

- OUS Raleigh
- OUS Charlotte
- Oxford Entrepreneurs Network (N. America)



Our groups are in **90 countries** and include **eight special interest groups**

### TOP TIPS

- Ask members what events they want
- Create events with a broad appeal, and host on weekends or evenings to attract a younger or family audience
- Invite the local Cambridge group in your area

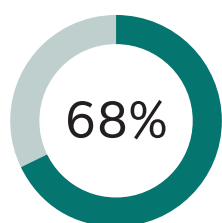
### ALUMNI GROUP NETWORK PURPOSE

- To provide opportunities for alumni to engage with the University and to remain connected with one other
- To arrange relevant activities on behalf of alumni, providing opportunities for alumni to network, socialise and offer their skills and expertise for the benefit of the University and other alumni
- To serve as a channel of communications between alumni and the University;
- Where possible, engage in activities that benefit current and/or prospective students of the University

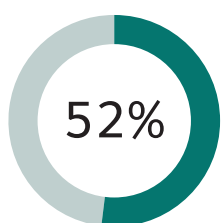


Courtesy of the Oxford and Cambridge Society of River Plate

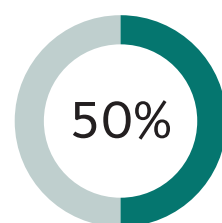
**600** events across **44** countries from **104** groups



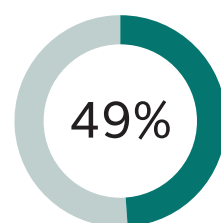
put on annual dinners and lunches



held speaker led events

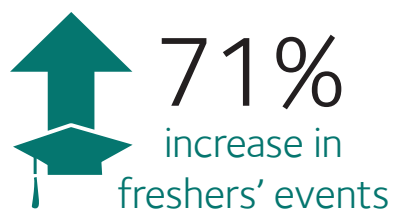


hosted drinks receptions



celebrated with Boat Race events

## Student support



Groups hosted **36 freshers events** in **22 countries**



### CASE STUDY

Since forming in 2017, the Oxford Black Alumni Network has visited at least seven schools. They share stories of their journey to Oxford, time studying and lives since graduation. Providing young adult students with the opportunity to hear about the real Oxford.

## Resources



Set up branded WordPress websites



Email and postal recruitment mailings



GDPR advice: [alumni.ox.ac.uk/data-protection-alumni-groups](https://alumni.ox.ac.uk/data-protection-alumni-groups)



Branded material (flags, bunting) for your events



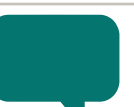
Social media advice and guidance



Invites to the Volunteer Leadership Forum



Inform you of academics travelling to your area



Find more resources: [alumni.ox.ac.uk/group-resources](https://alumni.ox.ac.uk/group-resources)



# A year of success

The Oxford & Cambridge Society of Nova Scotia held their 53rd Annual Boat Race Dinner, attended by more than 30 alumni from both universities



OUS East Sussex awarded a £300 bursary to Eve Rothwell (second from left) who undertook a four week paediatric placement at a hospital in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania



The Oxbridge Muslim Alumni (OMA) hosted its flagship Eid event in June 2019 in London with more than 70 attendees. A portion of the event profits were donated to the charity DIL Trust UK, which supports the education of girls in Pakistan



The Oxford & Cambridge Society of the Czech Republic has been running a freshers' BBQ since 2018 which continues to attract new members



During 2019 the Oxford Alumni Club of Japan worked in collaboration with the University's Careers Service and negotiated 30 paid summer internships and work placements for current students



OUS South Australia raised \$10,000 to help first-class Harvard graduate and lightweight rower Jack Kelly to study for his DPhil in Engineering Science at St Edmund Hall



OUS Mexico's 2019 freshers' event was attended by more than 20 freshers and 50 Oxonians. The event opened with a talk from Ambassador Corin Robertson and Anjoum Noorani, Head of Prosperity at the British Embassy before freshers spoke about their chosen degree and interests



The Oxford and Cambridge Society of the River Plate hosted their 69th annual dinner which was attended by a record 69 guests, bringing together alumni from Montevideo, Rio de Janeiro and the UK



More than 250 alumni from Lagos, Abuja and as far afield as the UK and US attended the Oxford and Cambridge Club of Nigeria's 33rd May Ball in Lagos in 2019, the theme being 'Havana Night'



The Oxford & Cambridge Society of India awarded two grants of £2,500 each to Mohita Chowdhury (pictured left), who is reading for an Msc in Computer Science, and Dhruv Gupta (pictured right), who is reading for a Master of Public Policy



This represents a selection of the events, outreach and scholarships achieved by groups this year. If you have event photos and permission to share them, we'd love to see them! Send them to: [networks@alumni.ox.ac.uk](mailto:networks@alumni.ox.ac.uk)