

# THE OLDEST UNIVERSITY UK



Oxford



**There are about 90 Universities in Great Britain, the biggest one is London University. The oldest is Oxford university.**

Oxford was founded in the 12<sup>th</sup> century (1133) as an aristocratic University.  
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**The cost of studies in the university is rather high. Students have to pay for using libraries and laboratories, as for taking exams.**



The university is a collection of 35 colleges: *two* for women only, the *rest* are for man and women.

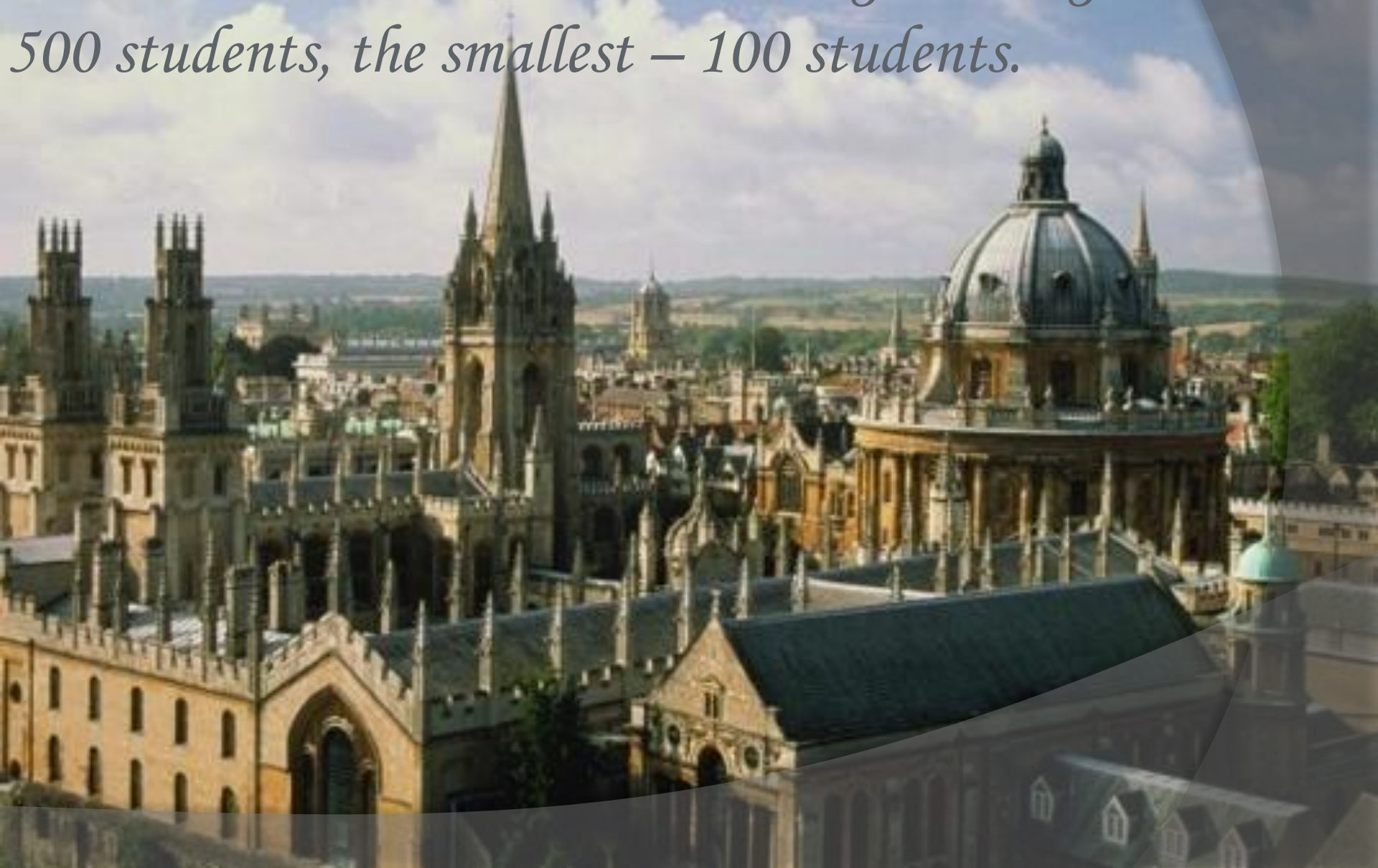








*Each college gives students a specialized training in arts, law, medicine, science. The largest college has over 500 students, the smallest – 100 students.*





The academic year has three  
terms, each lasts from eight to  
*ten* weeks.

The students have *three* exams:  
in autumn, in spring, in  
summer.

Final exams take place at the  
end of the course of studies.  
If a student fails the exam, he  
may take it again.

Only two re – examination  
are allowed.







**John Hood, vice Chancellor  
elected in 2004**

The formal head of the University is the Chancellor, but the real power in the University has Vice – Chancellor who is responsible for everything in the University. He is elected for seven years.



**Andrew D Hamilton, Vice Chancellor,  
2009**







A photograph of a street sign for Oxford Circus Station. The sign is a dark blue rectangular board with white text. It is mounted on a black pole that also features a white, spherical lamp fixture at the top. Below the main sign, a smaller yellow rectangular sign with black text is visible. In the background, other street signs and a building with large windows are partially visible under a cloudy sky.

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STREET  
CARNABY STREET

50 scientists – laureates of the Nobel  
Prize studied in Oxford  
University.



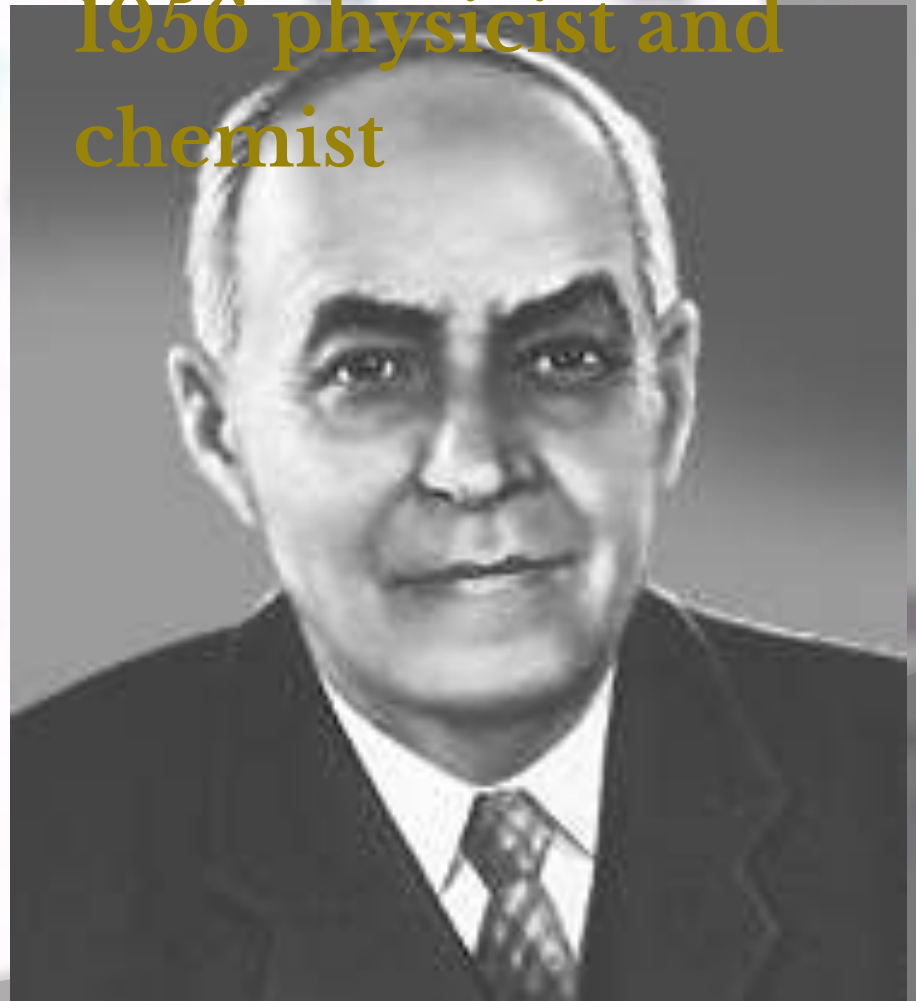




*Frederic Soddy*  
1921 radio –  
chemist

*Hinshelwood*  
*Cyril*

1956 physicist and  
chemist







Only in the 19<sup>th</sup> century women  
of any race could  
enter the  
University.

