



WADHAM COLLEGE TRAVEL GRANTS 2024

The college may award up to **thirty-five** travel grants in 2024 for travel during the 2024 Long Vacation. They will be awarded to undergraduates or graduates within fee-liability and/or on a compulsory year abroad but will not normally be awarded to those in their final year of study. They are intended for travel that is not primarily related to the applicants' academic work, and applications which involve charitable activities or that will demonstrably broaden the beneficiaries' cultural horizons are welcome. Applications to undertake internships will be considered, where these internships are not directly related to the student's course of study.

Successful candidates are required to write a short account of their travels in word format suitable for publication in the Wadham Gazette. If a grant is not thus accounted for, the college will require repayment. These grants are made possible by the generosity of former members of Wadham or other benefactors of the College.

Details of the Grants, the Application Procedure and how to claim the Grant are set out below.

Grant for travel to any area

Wadham College Travel Grants in memory of Warden Wells

Up to five grants of £350 each may be awarded for travel without restriction. These are funded from a college trust fund founded for this purpose by former members of the College in memory of Warden Wells.

Marsden Travel Grants

Up to five grants of £350 each may be awarded for travel without restriction. These are funded from the College's Marsden bequest.

Wadham Society Travel Grants

There are up to four grants of up to £350 available. These are funded by the Wadham Society.

Grants for travel to specific areas or for specific purposes

Travel in the area of the Classical Greek and Roman world

T.C.W Stinton Travel Grants

There will be up three grants of £350 each. They will be awarded for travel to and within the area of the Greek and Roman world. These grants are endowed by friends of the late Tom Stinton, Classics Tutor of the College.

Travel to USA

Judge Burka Travel Grants

Up to four awards of £600 are possible by the generosity of Judge Alfred Burka of Washington DC. They will be made to applicants wishing to travel in the USA. A preference will be given those who have not previously visited the country.

Travel to developing countries or working with marginalised communities

Nick Jackson Travel Grants

Generously provided in memory of Nick Jackson (History 1998), who worked throughout his life with marginalised people and communities. There are up to three grants of £500, with preference shown for travel relating to developing countries or working with marginalised communities.

Travel for a Musical purpose

Vicky Philo Travel Grants

Up to six awards of £600. Preference will be given to proposals involving some musical purpose or interest. These awards are funded in the memory of Vicky Philo.

Travel by pre-clinical students in Medical Sciences

Wadham Medical Society Travel Grants

The Wadham Medical Society is pleased to supplement the College Travel Grants with one or two grants of up to £400 each which will be awarded to students reading for the BA in Medical Sciences. Any pre-clinical student who will be in residence in 24-25 (including all 3rd years who are to go to the Oxford Clinical School and stay at Wadham) will be eligible.

Example of recent successful applicants include: a trip to Japan which involved first hand study of *minyo* folk music; an extended stay at the refugee camp at Calais, where the student used their Farsi language skills to assist a charity supporting asylum-seekers; a trip to perform at the Edinburgh festival; and a trip to California as part of the Oxford Entrepreneur Silion Valley trip which included a visit to companies such as Google, Facebook, and Uber.

If you have any questions email the Finance Bursar's PA (fbsec@wadham.ox.ac.uk).

Details of the Application Procedure

The deadline for applications to be emailed to the Finance Bursar's PA fbsec@wadham.ox.ac.uk by Friday 10th week of Hilary Term 2024 (22nd March). Your application form will form the main evidence for awarding grants. The Panel are seeking well-articulated proposals, with a reasoned case for your travel plans and a detailed indication of costs. Applicants should nominate a college tutor/advisor who will be asked for a reference.

In making decisions concerning the awarding of grants, the committee will take into account the following factors:

1. The coherence of applicants' travel plans and the level of care that has gone into planning and budgeting.
2. The intrinsic value and interest of applicants' proposals.
3. Applicants' academic and disciplinary record at Wadham (we will ask your tutor/advisor to comment on this in their reference).
4. Applicants' other contributions to the wider life of the college.
5. The extent and variety of applicants' past travel experiences more generally, in particular whether they have travelled in this region in the past.
6. The likely ecological impact of the travel proposed, and any attempts applicants will make to mitigate for this (for instance via carbon offsetting).

The grants are intended primarily for travel in the Long Vac, but in exceptional cases travel at other times after October 2023 will be considered. However, please note that such applications may well be retrospective, and certainly not be guaranteed of success.

It is not the intention that students should be awarded both an academic-related and a non-academic related grant for the same trip. If you feels there is ambiguity on the purpose of your trip, this should be made clear in the application. You can also discuss the situation with the Finance Bursar's PA fbsec@wadham.ox.ac.uk for further information.

N.B. Please note that the grants will not be given to visit countries or areas which, at the time of assessment are listed by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office as places to which it is inadvisable to travel (including those to which only on essential business is recommended). This list can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>. Any travel undertaken with financial support of the College should abide by any guidance issued either by the UK government or the government(s) of the destination in relation to any to health precautions.

Outcome and claiming the Grant

Applicants will normally be informed of the outcome of their application by the end of 3rd week of Trinity Term.

Once the Grant is confirmed, payment for the Grant can be claimed on presentation of receipts for the costs of the travel. These should be emailed to Finance Bursar's PA on fbsec@wadham.ox.ac.uk . All grants will be paid as a credit to the student's battels account.

In special cases, if you need the grant to be paid to you before the trip, then please also discuss this with the Finance Bursar's PA.

