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OXFORD THROUGH THE EYES OF A UKRAINIAN STUDENT

Oxford University is one of the most popular universities in Great Britain and in the world. It is one of the oldest universities and the first in English. There are a number of advantages of this university over others. One of the main advantages of the university is the teaching staff. Oxford has world-class teachers and some of the best scientists in the world. Because of this, training there is intensive and quite productive. Another important plus is that you have a guarantee of future employment. 90% of Oxford graduates are employed, because graduating from such a prestigious university is a huge advantage. Also because of the prestige of Oxford, the student life of the university appears very often in the national newspaper (Радко Мокрик, 2019). But despite all the above advantages, the most important advantage is the high level of knowledge that the university provides. Studying at Oxford is very difficult and involves a lot of work for an excellent result (Ben Ambridge, 2019).

Oxford students love their university very much. There are reasons for this. Most of all, students like the atmosphere of Oxford. The hostel and the study place are nearby, and all students who study there can communicate with each other in their free time. Students are also attracted by cute cafes and good restaurants on the territory of the university. The Grand Cafe, G&D's, Atomic Burger, Banana Tree, The Turf Tavern, Buongiornoe Buonasera are the most favorite places for students to eat delicious food. There are many parks and gardens that help students relax and take their minds off stress. There are many advantages for creative students, because the city has many music groups, museums, galleries and exhibitions, which allows for comprehensive development. And of course, the fact that the city itself is beautiful

makes each of its students love their university even more. The University of Oxford offers studies in almost all possible areas, such as: economics, computer science, medicine, history and philosophy, policy, math and physics. A unique system operates in Oxford, which allows the student to visit his supervisor regularly, work closely with him and constantly receive feedback on academic and academic achievements.

A huge part of student life is occupied by life in a hostel. The university hostel has many features that distinguish it from others. The main advantage is that the students feel at home. In a comfortable and cozy environment, each student is pleased to live and spend his free time. In addition, many friendly competitions and events are held there in their free time. And on campus, students have access to quiet study areas, a student kitchen, and a student lounge. In case someone becomes ill or has a headache, there is a special practicing nurse in the hostel. There is also an excellent library on site where you can read a couple of books in silence.

But despite the active student life, students actively live in addition to studying. Not far from Oxford there are a number of interesting cultural cities and towns that can surprise anyone. For an additional fee, students can add interesting options to their programs from one of the four additional booklets. Students are also very active in sports. Students play volleyball, football, basketball as well as new sports such as handball, rugby, yoga, zumba, traditional British sports and cricket. The university also offers sports training. For students, various creative competitions, team tests, photo battles on Instagram and much more are regularly held. There are many electives, and the most favorite for students are seminars. Seminars are held on a wide variety of topics and focus on specific skills and hobbies, and allow the student to demonstrate their creative abilities. These can be master classes in dance, drama, fashion, photography, and even jewelry making (Ana Luiza, 2022).

Oxford clearly justifies its popularity with a huge number of the above advantages of the university. Despite the fact that Oxford, like any other university,

has its drawbacks, such as: a complex curriculum, high requirements for students, a minimum amount of free time, etc., every year there are thousands of people who want to enter and study at such a wonderful university.

The main question is which is better? Oxford University or any other Ukrainian? To do this, you need to compare them. According to Ukrainian culturologist, Oxford student, Radko Mokrik: “There are many problems in the Ukrainian education system, but the main thing that distinguishes it from the British system is the approach to education. There are a lot of minuses and shortcomings in the Ukrainian education system. For example, the low mobility of students. Problems of communication and focus on quantity rather than quality” (Радко Мокрик, 2019). In Ukraine, you can certainly get a decent education, the main thing is to really want it, because it all depends on how the student himself relates to the learning process. The main problem is that the majority of students study at the university with the opinion that "a diploma will not give you anything." This leads to an indifferent attitude of students towards learning. But on the other hand, there are good teachers in Ukraine. There are libraries and archives in Ukraine. There are online resources and the possibility of international mobility.

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