



Selwyn College Cambridge

EXEAT ARRANGEMENTS – EASTER TERM 2026

This document requires your urgent attention and should be kept for reference throughout the vacation

Notice to all undergraduates (including those who live in College accommodation outside the main site)

We need to collect from you, by **Monday 1st June 2026**, two vital pieces of information:

- the date on which you will go down at the end of the Easter Term
- the date on which you will come up at the start of the Michaelmas Term (if your course is continuing)

The reason that we need this information is so that we know which rooms are available for school visits, College and conference guests during the vacation. The income from the conference business is vital to the financial well-being of the College – without this business, the quality of the educational experience we could offer to undergraduates and the general quality of life in College would be significantly reduced. We therefore ask for your cooperation in providing this information, in the form requested below and by the indicated deadline. We also ask you **not** to make unnecessary changes to your going down and coming up dates once you have given them.

Keeping Term

In order to meet the University's residence requirements and be 'in standing' to take your degree, an undergraduate must reside in Cambridge for a period equivalent to the length of Full Term, i.e. 60 days (59 nights) in the Michaelmas and Lent Terms and 53 days (52 nights) in the Easter Term. Fuller details are available at

<https://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/ughandbook/discipline>

Your going down and coming up dates will be used by us to verify that you have been resident in Cambridge for the required amount of nights.

Full Easter Term ends on Friday 19th June 2026 and Easter Term ends on Thursday 25th June 2026. Provided that you have 'kept Term', you are not required to stay up beyond Friday 19th June.

The Michaelmas Term starts on Wednesday 1st October 2026, and Full Michaelmas Term starts on Tuesday 6th October 2026

The fixed period of residence (FPR)

Your rent for the term covers the cost of your room for the fixed period of residence. The Easter Term FPR ends on Sunday 28th June 2026 (**rooms to be vacated by 10:00 am at the very latest on 28th June**). The Michaelmas Term FPR begins on Saturday 26th September 2026 (**arrival not to be before 2:00 pm**) and ends on Saturday 5th December 2026. On departure, until your transport is ready to leave, and on return, until your room is ready, if you need to store your belongings for a short period, we will provide an area for you to do so.

Staying in College outside the FPR: regulations and costs

If you wish to be in residence after 28th June 2026 or wish to return before 26th September 2026, you will need your Tutor's support and the Senior Tutor's permission. If you know now that this will be the case, you should apply for permission, [using the web exeat form and selecting one of the reasons listed](#), by **Monday 1st June**. Such permission will not be unreasonably denied although it may not always be possible to move directly into your balloted room. Melissa will inform you of the outcome of your request once the whole picture of the room requirements outside the FPR is known.

If at a later date you find you need to apply to come back before Saturday 26th September, you should seek permission through the Tutorial Office (Melissa Moffatt: exeat@sel.cam.ac.uk). **Such applications must be made at least ten working**

days in advance of the new date of return. If such notice is not given, a charge of £20.00 will be incurred (as a contribution towards the administrative and logistical costs of processing last-minute requests and readying rooms).

If you are granted permission to remain in College outside the fixed period, you will be liable for additional room rent at the normal weekly rate. Part vacation stays will incur rent at the normal weekly rate on a prorated basis. You may have been able to secure summer project funding for your stay that will help with accommodation costs. Others of you may have compelling reasons to reside here for some or all of the summer whilst also being concerned about your finances. If that is the case, please consult your Tutor. (Note: Any early return in September will need to be authorised and will be charged at the new 2026/2027 rate).

Permission will be given to those who have valid reasons for wishing to remain in residence longer and/or return early. Please note that those who receive the necessary permission will normally be required to occupy a different room outside the Fixed Period of Residence. If you are asked to stay in another room, you will be charged rent at the lower of your normal room code and the vacation room code. The Accommodation Officer will contact you should you need to move.

NB: Please remember rooms must still be vacated by 10:00 am on your going down date and arrival must be after 2:00 pm on your coming up date IF these fall outside the Fixed Period of Residence. Short term storage on the day is available and will still be provided.

Special arrangements for those taking their degrees in person on 3rd July 2026 and those not actually graduating but wishing to remain in residence to participate in festivities on that day, the Leavers' Service and the Graduands' Dinner

Those taking their degree in person and those final year students who are invited to the various graduation related celebrations may remain in residence until 9:30 am on Saturday 4th July 2026. Those remaining should also note that after the end of the fixed period of residence, 28th June, they will be liable for additional room rent (prorated for the additional number of nights).

Those taking their degree in person, but NOT remaining in residence until Graduation may request a room (via the Accommodation Officer: accommodation@sel.cam.ac.uk) for the nights of 1st and 2nd July, The Leavers' Service and Graduands' Dinner will take place on 1st July (separate details are being sent to you).

Deadline for notifying us of your going down and coming up dates: Monday 1st June 2026

You are required to let us know your intended going down and coming up dates by filling in and submitting the web exeat form (Raven authentication required) which can be found at <https://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/exeats>. **You must submit this form by Monday 1st June.** Failure to do so by this deadline will attract a mandatory charge of £20.00.

Please ensure that the going down date you give is an accurate reflection of your intentions i.e. do not put down a later date than intended in order to allow yourself maximum flexibility.

Please note that once you have submitted your dates online, you will receive an automated confirmation email. If you do not receive this, the form may have not been successfully sent. In this instance, you will need to resubmit the form. If you still do not receive a confirmation, contact Melissa Moffatt (exeat@sel.cam.ac.uk) **before the deadline.**

If you find that you have made a mistake in submitting the form, you should resubmit a corrected form *straight away*.

Changing your going down and coming up dates after the deadline

Changing your dates causes inconvenience and makes it difficult for us to plan in advance how many rooms are available for conference and College guests. Therefore, once you have specified your going down and coming up dates they *cannot be changed* unless there are exceptional circumstances (eg. unforeseen illness, sudden transport strikes or extreme weather conditions). It is therefore essential that you plan as carefully as you can in advance about the dates you specify, having due regard to travel arrangements and so on. If there remains uncertainty at the point you send in your dates, please inform Melissa. Family convenience, organisation of activities by clubs or societies and personal preferences are **not** regarded as exceptional circumstances and it is expected that such dates can be anticipated and planned around.

If, subsequently, you find you need to change your dates due to exceptional circumstances, then please let Melissa know in writing (exeat@sel.cam.ac.uk), giving as much notice as possible. If the change of date is within the FPR, we require **not less than two working days' notice** of an early or late arrival; if less notice is given, a charge of £20.00 will be levied. For changes outside of the FPR, we require **ten working days' notice**; if less notice is given, a charge of £20.00 will be levied.

Long vacation

If you wish to return to College and live in College accommodation over part of the long vacation, we would need to know about your intentions **before the end of the Easter Full Term. The deadline for the return of the Long Vacation Form is Monday 8th June 2026.** Please refer to the Long Vacation document for further information and instructions on how to apply.

Collective applications

All students should note that no collective applications to stay up or come back early will be made on their behalf. **It is the responsibility of each individual to make his or her own application.**

Leaving possessions in your room (applies to all rooms)

You are reminded that all personal possessions must be removed from your room (and all lockable cupboards in your room) at the end of the academic year. **Any items left will be assumed to be surplus to your requirements and will be disposed of. Please note that a charge may be levied to cover administrative costs of disposal.**

Non-chargeable storage in College is available only to overseas students. Please tick the box if you are an overseas student who requires storage during the Long Vacation. Please remember that if you store your belongings in the College storage area, it is at your own risk and they will not be covered by the College's insurance policy. You are strongly advised to take out your own insurance.

No possessions should be left in communal areas such as kitchens, gyms and shared bathrooms. If found they will be disposed of by the Housekeeping team.

Charges Summary:

Failure to complete and submit the web exeat form by Monday 1st June:	£20.00
Change of going down or coming up date (outside FPR) with less than ten working days' notice:	£20.00
Change of going down or coming up date (within the FPR) with less than two working days' notice:	£20.00
Occupying your room outside FPR, during periods for which permission has not been given:	£70.00 per night (standard room)
Failure to check out/ check back in at the Porters' Lodge using your university card when you leave/return:	£20.00
Failure to hand your keys in at the Porters' Lodge when you leave:	£20.00
Failure to check out of your room by the specified time for departure:	£20.00
Any possessions left in your room or lockable cupboards without permission:	£50.00 (plus all costs incurred in removing and replacing locks), and the items will be removed

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK OUT USING YOUR UNIVERSITY CARD
AND HAND IN YOUR KEYS AT THE PORTERS' LODGE BEFORE LEAVING.**

**Please note that this is not the same as signing to confirm that you have kept term
when meeting your Tutor at the end of Term.**

The person to contact concerning going down and coming up arrangements is:

Melissa Moffatt - Tutorial Office exeat@sel.cam.ac.uk

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Senior Tutor

Jennifer Phillips
Bursar

May 2026