Cambridge at a glance:
an alumni guide

Our University
- Founded in 1209, the University comprises 31 autonomous Colleges and 150 departments, faculties and institutions
- 107 affiliates of the University have been awarded the Nobel Prize since 1904
- 194 Olympic medals have been awarded to Cambridge alumni
- Top 5 in the Academic Ranking of World Universities and THE University Rankings 2018

International community
- 9,600 students are non-UK nationals (2018/19)
- 26% of undergraduates and 62% of postgraduates are non-UK nationals
- 146 different nationalities are represented within the student body
- 2,900+ individuals engaged in teaching and research are non-UK nationals

Widening participation
- 68% of undergraduate students in the current intake are from state schools (2019/20)
- The Cambridge Bursary Scheme awarded £8.25 million to more than 2,600 students from low-income backgrounds during 2018/19
- Students from households whose income is less than £15,000 make up around 11% of the current intake

Research
- 87% of Cambridge submissions rated as ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’ according to the Research Excellence Framework (REF)
- The University’s researchers publish around 11,000 research outputs (books, monographs and research publications) each year
- £554 million in research grants awarded to the University (2018/19)

Our people
- 12,300 undergraduates and 10,400 postgraduates (2018/19)
- 53.5% of students are male and 46.5% are female (2018/19)
- 4,000+ academic or academic-related staff and 4,100+ contract researchers work at the University
- 3,700+ technical, clerical, secretarial, manual and domestic staff work at the University

Alumni network
- 300,000+ alumni
- 420+ Alumni Groups in 94 countries
- Top 12 alumni locations: UK, USA, Canada, Germany, Australia, PR China, France, Hong Kong SAR, Singapore, India, Switzerland and Italy
- 94% of alumni are satisfied overall with their experience as a student (Alumni Survey 2016)

Opportunities and prospects
- Top 3 in the world for teaching (THE World University Rankings 2019) and top 5 for academic experience (THE Student Experience Survey 2018)
- No. 1 in the UK for employer reputation (QS World University Rankings 2019)
- 90% of recent leavers are in employment or further study (DLHE survey 2016/17)

Innovation
- The Cambridge Cluster (life science and technology companies within 20 miles of the city) includes 5,000+ knowledge intensive (KI) firms (2017/18)
- £15 billion turnover for KI firms — an increase of 11% on the previous year
- 61,600+ people employed by KI firms — an increase of 5% on the previous year

Our campaign
Launched in 2015, our £2 billion campaign for the University and Colleges of Cambridge seeks to ensure that the world-changing work of our University can continue. Every donation given to the University or Colleges contributes to the overall total of the campaign, which currently stands at over £1.58 billion.

For eight centuries, Cambridge has had a profound impact on the world. By looking outwards, not inwards. By welcoming brilliant minds in, setting them free, then watching their ideas go out and reshape the world. Now our planet faces new and daunting challenges.

Our ideas and insights are needed to solve them. But to attract the finest minds, and give them the resources they need, we need the world’s support.

As alumni and ambassadors of our University, we need your help to share our vision with the world.

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Dear World...
Yours, Cambridge