



China Oxford Scholarship Fund

HRH Prince William Launches New China Centre Building at Oxford

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There was much to celebrate on the 8th September 2014 when the Duke of Cambridge officially launched the impressive Dickson Poon University of Oxford China Centre Building at St Hugh's College. "The China Centre is an enormous achievement. It stands on the foundations of many centuries of learning in the University of Oxford about China, and it marks a significant leap forward. The strength and creativity of the partnership between the University and St Hugh's provides a solid foundation for the creation of what has the potential to become the foremost place of study about China in the world," said the Duke. Joining Prince William in the traditional Chinese ribbon-cutting ceremony were Hong Kong philanthropist Dickson Poon, Chancellor Lord Patten, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Andrew Hamilton, China Centre Director Prof. Rana Mitter, St Hugh's Principal Dame Elish Angiolini QC and China's Ambassador to the United Kingdom, His Excellency Liu Xiaoming. Mr Poon contributed £10 million towards the £21 million cost for the China Centre Building which covers 5 floors and 5,500 square metres. Its dedicated library and a reading room will provide a permanent home for 60,000 volumes and a significant part of the Bodleian Libraries' Chinese book collection.

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China Centre

1604 The year the first Chinese book arrived at the Bodleian Library

63 Number of bedrooms & study areas for students

2008 The year University of Oxford's China Centre was established

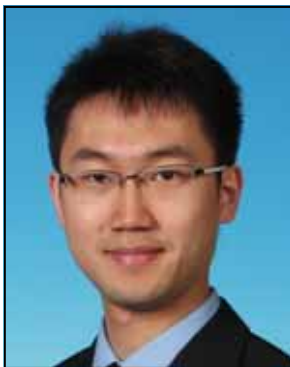


2014 -2015 COSF Scholars

We are delighted to announce the new scholarship recipients for the upcoming academic year. The China Oxford Scholarship Fund wishes these talented graduate students all the very best with their academic pursuits at the University of Oxford. The Fund would like to thank all the benefactors and sponsors for supporting our educational initiative by making these scholarships possible. 16 scholarships have been awarded totalling £96,500.



Shinan Cui is a recipient of the £9,500 Weston Scholarship sponsored by the Garfield Weston Foundation. Shinan will be reading for an MFE in Financial Economics at the Said Business School and will be attending Green Templeton College. He earned his BEng in Electrical and Electronic Engineering at Singapore's Nanyang Technological University. Shinan graduated with top honours and was one of three students out of 200 applicants who was awarded the coveted Sembcorp Industries Full Scholarship. His particular interest is in China's energy management of supply and expenditure and the global energy trading arena.



Vincent Chun Wai Chiu is also a recipient of the £9,500 Weston Scholarship. He will be reading for a BCL in Civil Law and will be attending Lincoln College. He graduated with First Class Honours from the University of Science and Technology (HKUST) in Hong Kong. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration in Global Business. His undergraduate studies were fully funded by the HKUST University Scholarship. Vincent pursued his Juris Doctor in Law at the University of Hong Kong graduating with honours ranking 3rd in his class of 46.



Qingyu Wang is the recipient of the £9,500 Brian Keelan Award in Humanities. She will be reading for an MSt in English Language and Literature covering the medieval period. She will be attending Trinity College. Qingyu earned her Bachelor's Degree in English Language and Literature at Peking University. She graduated at the top of her class of 50. She spent a year as an exchange student at the University of Irvine in California where she earned a non-degree Exchange Student Certificate. She secured a place on the Dean's Honour's List for 3 consecutive terms.



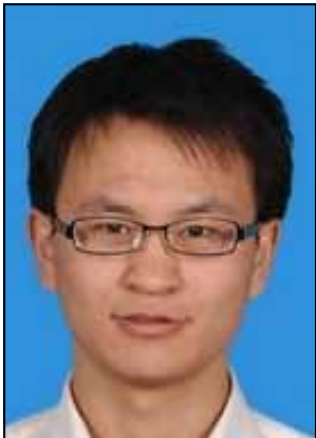
Amos Hong Ming Chan is also the recipient of the £9,500 Brian Keelan Award. He will be reading for an MSt in Philosophy of Physics and will be attending University College. He is a graduate of University College of London where he earned his Bachelor's of Science Degree in Mathematics and Physics. He went on to attend Cambridge University earning his Master's Degree in Advanced Study of Mathematics. His postgraduate studies at Cambridge were fully-funded by the University. Aside from his academic achievements, Amos is an accomplished musician who has achieved a Grade 8 in violin, piano and drums.



Guowei Tao is the recipient of the £8,000 Zee Award .He will be reading for an MScR in Engineering Science. He will be attending Pembroke College. Guowei earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Micro-electronics at Fudan University. He spent a year as an exchange student at Nanjing University before pursuing a BEng in Electronic and Electrical Engineering at the University of Birmingham. He has received a number of scholarships for his academic excellence. His work has been published in important journals and at conferences in the field of MEMS or Micro-electromechanical Systems medical devices. He would like to contribute to the improvement of life in impoverished regions in Tibet.



Mo Li is the recipient of the £7,500 Tang Oxford Award in Environmental Sciences. She will be reading for an MSc in Water Science, Policy and Environmental Sciences and will be attending Mansfield College. Mo graduated with First Class Honours at Nottingham University earning a degree in Environmental Science. She has won scholarships which include the Dean's Scholarship Award and the Head's Scholarship Award. Mo has carried out environmental research work at the Northeast Agricultural University in Harbin as part of her studies at the Nottingham University - Ningbo campus. She is concerned about China's environmental future especially in the area of water supply and policy.



Zhengxing Li is also a recipient of the £7,500 Tang Oxford Award. He will be reading for a DPhil in Chemical Biology and will be attending Wolfson College. He is a graduate of the China Agricultural University where he earned his BSc in Chemistry ranking 1st place in his class of 30. At the King Abdullah University of Science and Technology in Saudi Arabia, Zhengxing earned his MSc in Chemical Science ranking 1st place in his class. Zhengxing pursued another Master's Degree in Material Science at the Chinese Academy of Science at the Tsinghua University and Peking University joint university programme known as NCNST.



Weidi Xie is the recipient of the £5,000 Magadalen Award. He will be reading for a DPhil in Engineering Science and his studies will involve machine learning and biomedical analysis. Weidi will be attending Wolfson College. He is a graduate of the Beijing University of Post and Telecommunications where he earned his BSc in Electrical Engineering. He went on to attend the Queen Mary University of London and graduated with First Class Honours for his BSc in Electrical Engineering. He later attained his MSc in Computer Science at the University College of London. After gaining important overseas experience, Weidi plans to return to China to make a meaningful contribution in the biomedical image analysis sector which is still in its infancy in the country.



Fan Chen is the recipient of the £5,000 Oxford China Simon Li Scholarship sponsored by Oxford University Press. He will be reading for an MFE in Financial Economics at the Said Business School and will be attending Green Templeton College. Fan is a graduate of the University of Nottingham-Ningbo campus where he earned his BSc in International Economics and Trade. He was ranked at the top of his class of 54 and graduated with First Class Honours. Fan won numerous scholarships to help fund his undergraduate studies. They include the National Scholarship, Best Student of the Year Scholarships, Provost's Scholarship and the Hang Seng Bank Mainland Scholarships. Fan plans to return to China where he hopes to be involved in the country's financial sector.



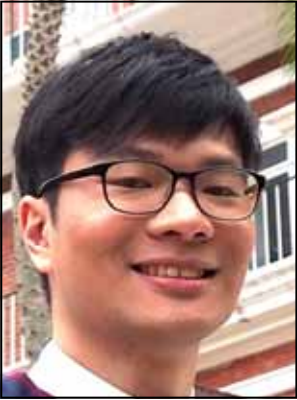
Shengyu Wang is the recipient of the £3,000 Hoare Family Award sponsored by C. Hoare & Co's charitable Golden Bottle Trust. Shengyu will be reading for an MPhil in Archaeology and will be attending Merton College. She is a graduate of Chinese Language and Literature at Peking University. She continued to study museology at the School of Archaeology and Museology also at Peking University where she was ranked first place in her class of 32. Her MPhil dissertation will be a comparative study of ceramics and their various patterns during the Song Dynasty. She hopes to pursue a doctorate and learn Japanese, French and Korean since most scholarly literature about China's art and archaeology are found in these languages.



Yudong Liu is the recipient of the £3,000 Winkler Oxford Award. He will be reading for DPhil in Materials and will be attending Linacre College. Yudong earned his BSc in Materials and Engineering at Jiao Tong University ranking 2nd place in his class of 29. He has won numerous awards which include the Chinese Government Ministry of Education Scholarship, the Yihai Kerry Scholarship and the Academic Excellence Scholarship for 3 consecutive terms. Yudong has also been involved in community work for earthquake reconstruction in his home town in Sichuan Province. His academic studies at Oxford will focus on making aluminium quasi-crystals into a nano size and exploring applications in the aerospace industry.



Nathan Hin Che Ma is the recipient of the £12,500 China Oxford Award in Law sponsored by Brasenose College. Nathan will be reading for a BCL in Civil Law and will be attending Brasenose College. He earned his Bachelor of Law degree from City University of Hong Kong with First Class Honours. He was on the Dean's List for 3 years and has won awards which include the Hong Kong SAR Government Scholarship and the Sir Edward Youde Memorial Scholarship. In 2012, Nathan won the Best Overall Speaker and Best Counsel for Prosecution in the 5th International Criminal Court Trial Competition in the Netherlands. He hopes to practise human rights law in Hong Kong and China.



Konstance Li Chun Tung is the recipient of the £3,000 China Oxford Award. He will be reading for an MSt in Archaeology and will be attending Linacre College. He graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a BA in English Studies and Fine Art. Konstance earned his MPhil in Fine Arts also at the University of Hong Kong. In 2006, he spent a year as an exchange student at Peking University. Upon completion of his studies, he would like to enter the teaching profession to promote, cultivate, and expand the understanding and appreciation of Chinese art and archaeology in the greater China and Asian region.



Min Yao is also a recipient of the £3,000 China Oxford Award. He will be reading for a DPhil in Engineering Science and will be attending Worcester College. Min graduated from the Nanjing University of Aeronautics and Astronautics with a BSc in Aerospace Engineering. He travelled to Korea where he won the renowned KAIST Scholarship which fully-funded his MSc studies in Aerospace Engineering at the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology. At Oxford, Min's research area will be on the development of new methods for managing flow speeds for gas turbines and aero-engines. Min hopes to return to China and work in the development of aero-engines in the country's ever-growing aviation sector.



Jiahao Sun is the recipient of the £2,000 China Oxford Award in Engineering and Computer Science which is sponsored by the B&J Lloyd Family Charitable Trust. He will be reading for an MSc in Computer Science and will be attending St Anne's College. He graduated at the top of class at the University of Liverpool where he earned his Bachelor's degree in Mathematics and Computer Science. His first two years of undergraduate studies were done at the Xi'an Jiao Tong – Liverpool University (XJTLU) in Suzhou. Jiahao is a co-founder of one of the top three crowd-funding platforms in China. He hopes to establish a Chinese IT lab to research China's computing potential and its application in various areas.



Jaclyn Yeung is the recipient of the China Oxford Honorary Award in recognition of academic excellence. She was awarded a single air ticket from Hong Kong to the Britain which was sponsored by Swiss Air. Jaclyn will be reading for an MSc in Applied Linguistics and Second Language Acquisition and will be attending Kellogg College. She graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a BEd in Language Education. She was awarded First Class Honours. She attended a summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Programme at King's College in London and also had the opportunity to attend a summer immersion programme at the University of South Wales in Sydney, Australia.

COSF News



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The China Oxford Scholarship Fund's website was revamped over the summer thanks to the handiwork of 2013 China Oxford Scholar **Shijian Li**. In spite of his busy academic and work schedule, Shijian volunteered to help the Fund update its website. Shijian earned his MSc in Computer Science and was at Green Templeton College. Thank you Shijian for your assistance with giving our website a fresh look and congratulations on your new job with Google in London!

Over the summer, the Fund's scholarship programme was presented to visiting Chinese students attending the CBL Oxford Summer School programme at Oriel College. 2011 China Oxford Scholar and 2012 Tang Oxford Scholar **Yingqi Liu** conducted a brief presentation to the Chinese undergraduate students and talked about his Oxford experience as well as being a COSF Scholar. He provided information about the Fund's awards programme and application process. Yingqi is reading for a DPhil in Geography and the Environment and is at St John's College. Thanks very much Yingqi for being an exceptional ambassador for our educational initiative.

Lastly, it's fantastic to learn that 2010 China Oxford Scholar and 2011 Wolfson China Scholar **Yuge Ma** is in New Delhi, India where she has just organised and moderated the 2nd Juxtapose Conference on multi-disciplinary research and studies on contemporary China and India at Jawaharlal Nehru University. Well done Yuge!

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