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COLLEGE MATRICULATION FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

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Matriculation is the formal process of enrolling in the University of Cambridge and in Emmanuel College. The University Matriculation is done online and you will be told how to do this in the coming days.

Before the ceremony, there will be a socially distanced group photograph, and afterwards an individual photograph. There will be three socially distanced dinners to celebrate your arrival as postgraduate members of the College on Tuesday 20, Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22 October.

If you have matriculated before at Emmanuel then you do not need to attend the ceremony, and unfortunately, we won't be able to include you in the group photograph either. Everyone who is starting out as a postgraduate student will be invited to one of the dinners, however. If you have matriculated before at a different College at the University of Cambridge, then you will need to attend the ceremony to matriculate as a member of Emmanuel.

The College Matriculation Ceremony for Postgraduates will take place during the late afternoon of Wednesday 21 October 2020. **This is your top priority on that day, and it is not expected that you will be absent.** If you genuinely have a serious reason why you cannot be present then please tell the College Registrar (college-registrar@emma.cam.ac.uk) in the Tutorial Office straight away.

WHAT TO WEAR

Either: Gown and a **plain dark** suit, with a white shirt, tie and black shoes
Or: Gown and a **plain dark** dress or suit, with skirt or trousers with a white blouse and black shoes

NB: Postgraduate students with a Cambridge degree wear the gown of the highest Cambridge degree you have, e.g. BA, MSci, MEng
Postgraduate students from elsewhere wear the BA status gown (the same as a Cambridge BA gown but without strings) or, if you are aged 24 or more, the MA status gown (also without strings).

If you do not already possess one then you will need to obtain a gown **as soon as you arrive**. The MCR Committee or the Porters will be able to help with this.



WHAT HAPPENS

Before the day of ceremony, please watch the online briefing on the College website (<https://www.emma.cam.ac.uk/admissions/graduates/freshers/>), which explains what will happen.

Please come to Front Court correctly dressed and with a gown at **5pm** promptly for the group photograph. For this, you will be grouped in households (although many of the postgraduate households have only one person in them).

Please find your household number on the lawn (there will be a plan posted outside the Porters' Lodge). You stand together in two rows around your number, maintaining a 2 metre distance from other households. The group photograph will be taken from the Bursary roof.

Please come at the time given on the notice outside the Porters' Lodge and in your household groups to E staircase in Front Court, and go up to the landing outside the Gallery on the first floor. **Please arrive promptly with all the members of your household.** You need not distance from others in your household, but you do need to distance from other households.

When you enter the Gallery, sanitise your hands from the dispenser provided, then take one of the blue matriculation pens, which you will take away with you afterwards.

Then you write your full name in the College Matriculation Book (in your normal handwriting i.e. not your signature), and the place of your birth.

If you were born in the British Isles, you write the historic county of your birth. By tradition, the form of county name for such counties as Yorkshire, Cheshire, Lancashire and so on, is York (as in 'the County of York'), Chester, Lancaster, etc.

If you were born in the USA, Canada or Australia you write the State or Province (e.g. Ontario, Massachusetts, New South Wales).

If you were born elsewhere, you write the name of the country (e.g. France).

You then sanitise your hands again, and leave the Gallery by the Chapel stairs.

At the bottom of the stairs, you turn right and enter the Old Library through the door nearest the Master's Lodge. An individual photograph will be taken, and you leave the Old Library by the door nearest the tunnel.



MATRICULATION DINNER

The Matriculation Dinner will be held over three consecutive evenings beginning the day before the ceremony, i.e. **Tuesday 20, Wednesday 21 and Thursday 22 October at 7.30pm.** Dress is the same as for the matriculation ceremony. Everyone wears a gown. You will be seated in your households, and a seating plan will be posted on Monday 19 October outside the Porters' Lodge.

Please let the Tutorial Office (tutorial-office@emma.cam.ac.uk) know by 12 noon on Friday 16 October if you have any special dietary requirements OR if you do NOT propose to come to the dinner.