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PROGRAMME INFORMATION PACKET

Oxford Institute 2027

For Global Education and Clinical Practice

DATES

2 – 9 July 2027

VENUE

St Hilda's College, University of Oxford

PLACES

Limited to 60 participants



Welcome to the IAPC Oxford Institute

The 2027 IAPC Oxford Institute will be held 2 – 9 July 2027 at St Hilda's College, University of Oxford — a week-long gathering that brings together mental health professionals, educators, and students from around the globe.

The Institute offers a small, collegial environment in which to expand intercultural understanding and share innovative research and scholarly knowledge in clinical education and therapeutic practice.

The Oxford Institute is unique in that it is interdisciplinary. Participants from any “helping profession” are welcome to attend — including professional counsellors, psychologists, psychiatrists, psychotherapists, pastoral counsellors, and marriage and family therapists.

The programme features original research and practice-based clinical presentations by presenters from around the world. Recent attendees have included educators, clinicians, and students from the USA, the United Kingdom, China, Turkey, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Nigeria, Germany, Cyprus, the Bahamas, Canada, Mexico, Paraguay, and Ukraine. Alongside scholarly presentations, the Institute offers a cultural immersion experience, with formal and informal activities to expand understanding of historical and contemporary issues in British society.

2027 marks the twelfth anniversary of the Oxford Institute at St Hilda's College. Attendance is limited to sixty participants, so early registration is encouraged. We hope your summer plans will allow you to join us in Oxford in July.

Sincerely,

Brian S. Canfield, Ed.D.

Director, 2027 Oxford Institute

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SECTION 01

General information

About the Oxford Institute

Steeped in history and tradition, Oxford has been a seat of learning for more than 800 years. With easy access from London Heathrow and central London, St Hilda's College is an ideal venue for the IAPC Oxford Institute. The scholarly programme includes peer-reviewed presentations, panel discussions, and poster sessions — as well as optional cultural immersion day trips to sites across southern England.

St Hilda's College, University of Oxford

One of the riverside colleges of the University of Oxford, St Hilda's sits on the River Cherwell near Magdalen Bridge — a short walk from Cowley Road, the Oxford High Street, and the city centre. The scenic riverside setting and the historic university city contribute to making the Institute a personally and professionally rewarding experience. Space is limited to 60 participants, so early registration is highly recommended.

Health and safety

The Oxford Institute adheres to the health and safety policies of St Hilda's College and the United Kingdom National Health Service.

Continuing education credit

Upon request, IAPC will issue a continuing education certificate verifying continuing education hours to participants.

Presenting at the Oxford Institute

Presenting a scholarly paper or poster at the Institute has been a professional milestone for many participants. Researchers, clinicians, and students with an interest in sharing their knowledge and research are encouraged to submit a proposal to the Programme Committee for peer review; details are in Form 4 at the end of this packet.

Proposals are reviewed and accepted on a rolling basis until all presentation slots are filled. Presenters must register for the Institute and pay the appropriate registration fee. Accepted presenters are notified of their status within 30 days of submission.

Institute programmes include poster sessions and 60-minute presentations. Presentations that expand clinical skills, illuminate original research, and offer innovative clinical practice techniques are given priority consideration.

SECTION 02

Institute schedule

DATE	TIME	PROGRAMME
Friday 2 July	3:00 pm 5:00 pm	Arrival and housing check-in Welcome reception
Saturday 3 July	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Scientific and scholarly presentations
Sunday 4 July	Open day	Optional cultural immersion field trips
Monday 5 July	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Scientific and scholarly presentations
Tuesday 6 July	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Scientific and scholarly presentations
Wednesday 7 July	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Scientific and scholarly presentations
Thursday 8 July	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Scientific and scholarly presentations
Friday 9 July	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Closing session; Institute concludes at noon

Registration options and cost

OPTION 1 — SINGLE OCCUPANCY

\$3,000

Registration with housing at St Hilda's College

Seven nights of residential housing at St Hilda's College from Friday 2 July. All rooms are ensuite with in-room bath and shower. Daily full English breakfast included.

OPTION 2 — DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

\$2,400
per person

Registration with housing at St Hilda's College

Seven nights of residential housing in a shared twin room with two single beds. Rooms are ensuite with in-room bath and shower. Daily full English breakfast included.

OPTION 3 — WITHOUT HOUSING

\$1,200

Registration only

Participants arrange their own off-campus housing and have access to all Institute activities.

Please note

A limited number of scholarships is available for professional colleagues attending from lower-GDP countries. Please contact Dr Canfield at Brian@intapc.org for further information.

All attending family members, spouses, or travelling companions must register for the Institute and pay the same registration fee as the professional attendee.

Housing, meals, and payment

Campus housing at St Hilda's College

The Institute uses residential housing at St Hilda's College. The College has one entrance for campus access; residence hall buildings and assigned rooms require an electronic pass card, provided at check-in. All rooms are ensuite with in-room bath and shower. Bath towels are provided and rooms are cleaned every other day. WiFi is provided for all participants, and residents have use of a common kitchen on their floor with a shared refrigerator and cooktop.

Room windows open for ventilation, but rooms are **not** air-conditioned. UK summers typically bring warm days and cooler evenings, though warm spells are not uncommon. A limited number of electric fans is available from the St Hilda's reception desk, or table fans may be purchased locally for around \$20–\$25.

Meals

A full English breakfast is provided daily in the St Hilda's College dining hall for all on-campus residents. Lunch and dinner are on your own. Food is available at local grocery stores, and there are many dining options in all price ranges within easy walking distance.

Methods of payment

Full payment is required at the time of registration. Payment may be remitted online at intapc.org by credit card or PayPal. If an alternative arrangement is needed, please contact Dr Canfield at Brian@intapc.org to discuss available options.

International participants — letter of invitation

Upon request, the Programme Committee will provide a letter of invitation for any participant requiring documentation for visa application purposes and for entry into the UK. Please request early: the application process may take several months depending on country of origin.

INCLUDED — ALL OPTIONS

Access to all Institute scientific and scholarly programmes and scheduled activities.

INCLUDED — HOUSING OPTIONS

Seven nights' housing at St Hilda's College, 2 – 9 July 2027
Daily full English breakfast

NOT INCLUDED

International airfare
Ground transportation in the United Kingdom
Meals other than breakfast
Incidental expenses

Frequently asked questions

What is the purpose of the Oxford Institute?

The Institute is a small international gathering of practising mental health professionals, educators, students, and others engaged in a helping profession who share an interest in excellence in global education and clinical practice. It combines a professional development event — scientific and scholarly presentations — with close collegial interaction and cultural exchange.

How large is the Institute?

By design the Institute remains small, limited to a maximum of 60 participants. This allows a uniquely personal and professional experience; if you are seeking the anonymity of a large conference, the Oxford Institute may not be for you.

It is a truly international event and a valuable networking opportunity. In recent years, educators, clinicians, and students from the USA, UK, Germany, Turkey, Malaysia, Cyprus, Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Qatar, South Africa, Mexico, the Bahamas, China, Paraguay, and Ukraine have attended and presented. Each year includes a number of returning participants.

Who may attend?

The Institute is open to students, professionals, and paraprofessionals in any helping profession — including psychology, psychiatry, counselling, social work, family therapy, and related fields — who share an interest in education, training, supervision, and intercultural and clinical practice issues. Spouses, family members, and travel companions are welcome.

Is there a particular focus on advocacy?

The Institute reflects the values of IAPC. We do not advocate or seek to advance any particular philosophy, ideology, or social or political agenda. However, we welcome presentations and discussions on all topics that impact our professional work and the patients and clients we serve. The Institute provides a safe and supportive environment to share and exchange ideas.

How do I submit a proposal to present a paper or poster?

Proposals are peer-reviewed by the Programme Committee and must relate to some aspect of education or clinical practice. We also welcome topics relating to clinical supervision, pedagogy, substance abuse treatment, ethics, and work with special populations. The Institute strives to balance professional learning with cultural immersion, so presentation space is very limited and selection is highly selective. Every effort is made to accommodate participants who wish to share their expertise. Alongside 60-minute oral sessions, the Institute offers a poster session for presentation and informal discussion.

Prospective presenters should email the proposal submission form (Form 4) along with the other registration forms in this packet to Brian@intapc.org. Where a programme is not selected due to time constraints, we will attempt to combine proposals that share a common theme, including panel presentations on critical issues. All presenters must register for the Institute, and will be acknowledged in the final programme materials.

What does the registration fee include?

The fee includes access to all scientific and scholarly presentations and official events. Housing options add seven nights in modern campus residential facilities at St Hilda's College and daily breakfast in the College dining hall. Airfare, ground transportation, meals other than breakfast, and incidental expenses are not included.

What if I wish to extend my stay and travel on my own?

Many participants have travelled independently before or after the Institute, often with other participants. The organisers have travelled extensively throughout the UK and Europe and will gladly offer suggestions and facilitate connections with participants who share common interests.

Will I have a chance to meet people from England and other countries?

Absolutely. You will have numerous opportunities to meet people who live in the UK as well as participants from various countries — the 2026 Institute included participants from eight. Many long-standing friendships and professional relationships started at the Oxford Institute.

I have additional questions — who should I contact?

For any questions about the Institute, travel to the UK, or suggestions for independent travel before or after the Institute dates, contact Dr Brian Canfield at Brian@intapc.org or text +1 985 974 8405.

Travel information

Documents and authorisation

Electronic travel authorisation. International travellers to the UK require an electronic travel authorisation (ETA). This may be completed online at [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk).

Identification. You will need a valid passport to enter the United Kingdom and to re-enter your country of residence. USA residents without a passport may apply at most United States Post Offices; allow at least six weeks, or pay an expedited application fee for faster processing.

Participants who are not USA citizens. Contact the British Consulate in your home country regarding visa requirements and qualifications for entry into the United Kingdom. On request, the Institute will provide a letter of invitation to assist with the visa application process.

Medical and insurance

Let your physician know you will be visiting the UK. Minor medical issues may typically be paid out of pocket at NHS clinics at little or no charge, but there is no guarantee of this. Check with your health insurer regarding coverage in the United Kingdom to ensure you are adequately covered in the event of illness or accident. Bring documentation for any prescription medicines, as well as any relevant health information (blood type, diabetes, special needs, and so on).

All participants must maintain personal health insurance coverage while in the UK. Each participant is solely responsible for the cost of necessary medical treatment or medical evacuation home in the event of accident or illness. Most major airlines offer a medical travel insurance option at modest cost as part of the ticket purchase — one of the most economical ways to secure short-term cover for your stay.

Getting to Oxford

Into the UK. London Heathrow is the most convenient international arrival airport for Oxford. Other options include London Gatwick and Stansted.

From Heathrow. A coach station at Heathrow (between Terminals 2 and 3) provides direct service to Oxford throughout the day, roughly hourly. The cost is approximately £30 one way, with discounts for seniors over 60 and students — the quickest and most economical route. Alternatively, a private car or Uber directly to St Hilda's College costs around \$200–\$250.

From central London. Trains run throughout the day from London Paddington to Oxford. Paddington is accessible by taxi, Uber, or the Tube from any point in London.

Packing — pack light

Limit yourself to one or two rolling suitcases and a personal bag. If you cannot personally carry everything with relative ease, you have packed too much: there will be times when you must carry your belongings unassisted, up a flight of stairs or several blocks between taxis, airport check-in, train platforms, bus stations, and residence halls.

Travel safety

Travel in the United Kingdom, and in Oxford in particular, remains statistically safe with minimal risk. Even so, it is wise to have a companion when venturing off campus, particularly in the evening. Stay in familiar areas, use good judgement, and keep bags closed and valuables secure. Over twenty-five years of visits, the only incidents we have experienced are a pickpocket attempt in a crowded tourist area of central London, a stolen camera, and a stolen passport. With reasonable precaution and common sense, a person is at no greater risk in the United Kingdom than in any other major city. Additional information about international travel safety is available on the US Department of State website, travel.state.gov.

Dress

Attire for all Institute events is summer business casual. July in England can bring hot spells with very warm days (bring shorts) and cooler evenings, and light rain showers are common — check the forecast before arrival. Comfortable walking shoes are essential; for most people one pair is adequate. Clothing stores in all price ranges abound in Oxford should you find yourself lacking, and laundry facilities are available at St Hilda's College, so there is no need to bring excessive clothing.

Money

The most convenient way to pay for almost everything — meals, taxis, Uber, buses, shops — is contactless payment by credit card, Apple Pay, or Google Pay. Cash machines (called cash points in the UK) give direct access to your bank for withdrawals in pounds sterling at a reasonably favourable exchange rate; note that you will need a four-digit PIN, as European machines will not accept longer codes.

Major credit cards are widely accepted. Cash or traveller's cheques can be readily exchanged into pounds sterling for a modest fee. American Express offices do not charge commission on their own traveller's cheques, but the exchange rate is less favourable than cash machines and card purchases.

Food

Daily breakfast is included in the housing registration options. Lunch and dinner may be purchased at a multitude of establishments near campus; although we often eat in groups, the cost of meals is on your own. Prices start at about \$15 for a fast-food meal (McDonald's, KFC, Pizza Hut). If your palate seeks more authentic fare, many pubs serve tasty and relatively inexpensive meals — pot pie, fish and chips, bangers and mash, curry. Daily food cost varies by preference; plan on the equivalent of what you would spend eating out in your home city. Among the best ethnic food in the UK is Indian food — India having once been the “jewel of the British Empire”, there is a very large Indian-British community here. A wide variety of fast food and sit-down restaurants may be found in both Oxford and London; Cowley Road, a short walk from campus, hosts a range of options, and there is a Sainsbury's grocery store nearby.

Internet, luggage, and incidentals

Internet access is available on campus at no cost to participants. Please consult your airline regarding baggage and weight allowances. Expenses not expressly covered by the Institute are the responsibility of the participant — meals other than breakfast, bus and taxi fares, personal items, medical treatment, and travel for side trips.

Policies and practical notes

Housing accommodation and arrival

Housing check-in is 3:00 pm on Friday 2 July 2027. In past years some rooms have been available earlier depending on the housekeeping schedule, but we are unable to guarantee early occupancy. Early arrival before 2 July and extended stay after 9 July are not available at St Hilda's College; if you plan to arrive earlier or stay later, there are numerous hotel and bed-and-breakfast options in Oxford.

Independent side trips

Many participants have travelled independently before or after the Institute dates, and the organisers will gladly offer suggestions. Outside scheduled presentations and programme-sponsored field trips, all extra-curricular activities and travel are on your own; each participant is encouraged to pursue their own interests at their own pace.

Refund policy

Due to the Institute's contractual obligations with St Hilda's College, participants who arrive late, depart early, or depart from the group itinerary and stay at locations other than programme-designated housing are not entitled to a refund or credit for unused lodging or Institute-sponsored activities.

Spouses and companions

The Institute welcomes spouses and adult travel companions. As our housing contract with St Hilda's College is per person rather than per room, a spouse, family member, or travel companion sharing a room with a participant must pay the same registration fee. Each attendee must complete, sign, and submit all registration forms at the same time as the sponsoring professional participant's materials and payment. A parental signature is required for any accompanying participant under 18.

Accompanying children

A minor child may share a room or occupy an adjacent room with their parents. Under our housing contract, each child over the age of two requires a bed and occupies one registration slot, so the fee for a child sharing a room with a parent is the same as the parent's. The Institute does not provide childcare; supervision of children is the parent's responsibility at all times, and you will need to bring your own crib or bedding for an infant or toddler. Travel companions are not permitted in presentation sessions due to subject matter, unless prior arrangements have been made with the presenter and the Institute Director. Please contact us to discuss your circumstances.

Scholarships

Discounted registrations may be available for professionals and students attending from lower-GDP countries. Recipients are asked to assist with programme activities such as session monitoring and arrival support. To be considered for a registration discount or partial student scholarship, an applicant must be an IAPC member in good standing. Contact Dr Brian Canfield at Brian@intapc.org for further information.



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SECTIONS 08 – 11

Registration forms

Complete Forms 1 – 3 (and Form 4 if presenting), then scan and email them to Brian@intapc.org, or post them to the address on the final page.

Form 1 Participant registration

Form 2 Participant agreement

Form 3 Registration option and payment

Form 4 Presenter proposal (optional)

Participant registration

FULL NAME

CURRENT PHYSICAL ADDRESS

COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP

PASSPORT NUMBER

DATE OF BIRTH

TELEPHONE

EMAIL

ROOMMATE REQUEST, IF SHARING

EMERGENCY CONTACT — NAME, PHONE, AND EMAIL

PROFESSIONAL TITLE

PRIMARY WORK SETTING

Registration type — please tick one

- ☐ **Professional** — job title, work setting, or organisational affiliation
- ☐ **Student** — university and programme of study
- ☐ **Accompanying participant** — spouse, child, or travel companion; please give details

Are you a member of IAPC? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, you will need to join at intapc.org to be considered for a registration discount or partial scholarship.

Acceptance is subject to space availability and appropriate professional or student status. Slots are confirmed on a first-come basis, and priority registration is given to IAPC members — early registration is encouraged to secure a room preference.

Participant agreement

This agreement is entered into between the International Association of Psychology and Counseling (IAPC), hereinafter the “Oxford Institute”, and the participant named below. Both parties agree to the following.

PARTICIPANT NAME

- 01 Housing.** The Institute shall provide nightly housing as specified in the participant's registration selection, beginning no later than 3:00 pm on Friday 2 July 2027, with check-out and departure by 12:00 noon on Friday 9 July 2027.
- 02 Travel.** The registration fee does not include international airfare or transportation to and from St Hilda's College. The participant is responsible for the cost of all transportation in the United Kingdom, including train, taxi, bus, and the Tube.
- 03 Medical expenses.** The participant assumes responsibility for the cost of all medical-related expenses, including any treatment, drugs, or emergency transportation incurred on their behalf as deemed necessary by programme staff in the event of illness or accident, and agrees to maintain adequate medical coverage while in the UK. The participant assumes full responsibility for the cost of transportation to a medical facility in the United Kingdom, or return to their home country where necessitated by accident or illness.
- 04 Meals.** Except for breakfast, the cost of all food and meals is the responsibility of the participant.
- 05 Incidental and non-specified expenses.** The participant is responsible for all expenses not otherwise expressly covered in this agreement. Where the participant is alleged liable for damages of any kind, the participant is responsible for ameliorating such liability, including the necessary cost of legal defence, and for the payment of any fines, court costs, or damages for which they are held legally liable.
- 06 Unused housing or transportation.** No credit or refund shall be provided for any portion of housing or events not utilised by the participant for any reason.

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- 07 Non-Institute activities.** With the exception of official Institute activities, participants are on their own regarding free time and activities.
- 08 Release of liability.** The participant agrees to hold harmless IAPC, its officers and board members, the Institute Director and staff, and other IAPC agents, employees, or subcontractors for any damage or liability of any kind whatsoever, other than as expressly stated in this agreement.
- 09 Cancellation and refund.** Before 20 April 2027, a full refund will be provided on request. A 50% refund will be provided until 1 June 2027. Due to housing and travel commitments, no refund will be provided after 1 June 2027. In the event of a last-minute cancellation due to illness or injury, the 2027 paid registration may be credited toward attendance in 2028. In the unlikely event the Institute is cancelled by IAPC, participants receive a full refund.
- 10 Modification.** The Institute reserves the right to alter the programme itinerary and other aspects of the programme as circumstances may warrant.
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I agree to the Participant Agreement terms as stated.

Print name and signature

Date

Registration option

Please tick your selected option.

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Option 1 — single occupancy, with housing

\$3,000

Seven nights of residential housing at St Hilda's College from Friday 2 July 2027. All rooms ensuite with in-room bath and shower. Daily full English breakfast, all scientific and scholarly presentations, and all official events included.

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Option 2 — double occupancy, with housing

\$2,400
per person

Seven nights of residential housing in a shared room with two single beds. All rooms ensuite with in-room bath and shower. Daily full English breakfast, all scientific and scholarly presentations, and all official events included.

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Option 3 — without housing

\$1,200

Registrant arranges their own off-campus housing. All scientific and scholarly presentations and official Institute events included.

Method of payment

Full payment at the time of registration is required to secure a participant slot. Please indicate your form of payment.

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Online

Registration and payment at
intapc.org

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By post

Check or money order payable to
"IAPC"
IAPC 2027 Oxford Institute, c/o Dr
Brian Canfield
3600 Junior Place, Shreveport,
Louisiana 71119, USA

Presenter proposal

The Oxford Institute welcomes scholarly presentations based on original research or clinical experience. Students may present research in the poster session, or co-present with an established researcher — typically a faculty member or doctoral-level professional.

All proposals should relate to some aspect of education, training and supervision, or clinical practice. Topics relating to innovative therapeutic interventions, original or innovative theories, application of classical theories, substance treatment, ethics, intercultural clinical issues, and related areas will be accepted for review. Submissions are peer-reviewed by the Programme Committee and accepted on scholarly merit and relevance.

All presenters must register for the Institute and pay the appropriate registration fee. Accepted presentations will be confirmed and listed in the Institute programme material upon remittance of the registration fee.

To submit a proposal

Send a brief email cover letter and file attachment (MS Word format) to Brian@intapc.org containing:

- 01** A one-page narrative summary of the proposed presentation.
- 02** Preferred session format — poster session, or 60-minute presentation.
- 03** Presentation title and a two- to three-sentence description for inclusion in programme materials.
- 04** Name, contact information, terminal degree, licensure or certification, and work title for each presenter. Please indicate the lead presenter where there are several; note that all listed presenters must register for the Institute.

Notification

Applicants are notified of their status by 1 March 2027, or typically within two weeks of submission after that date. Accepted presentations are added to the schedule on a rolling basis until all slots are filled. Presenters must be registered to be listed in the final programme.

Registration checklist

Please return the following items.

☐	Form 1 — Participant registration	Required
☐	Form 2 — Participant agreement	Required
☐	Form 3 — Registration option and payment	Required
☐	Passport cover page — scan or photocopy	Required
☐	Registration fee with selected housing option	Required
☐	Form 4 — Presentation proposal	Optional



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SEND FORMS TO

Scan and email to Brian@intapc.org
or post to:
2027 IAPC Oxford Institute
c/o Dr Brian Canfield
3600 Junior Place
Shreveport, Louisiana 71119, USA

PAYMENT AND ENQUIRIES

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