



## The role

The catering department services up to 250 senior executives, academics, business guests, staff and students per day, providing breakfast, lunch and evening meals as well as catering for conferences and other events.

The small and friendly Catering team is made up of a Sous Chef, Third Chef, 2 Chef de Partie (advertised roles) and Kitchen Porter reporting directly to the Head Chef, working closely with the front of house team to deliver at least 3 services a day.

As a Chef De Partie you will play a key role in assisting the Senior Chefs in the smooth and efficient operation of the kitchen to ensure that the school's reputation for food quality is maintained at all times. You will be encouraged to develop your skills and knowledge as part of this post and undertake any relevant training to enhance your skills. We prepare fresh food daily on the day of service including breads and desserts.

The skilled candidates must have a flexible approach to work, be able to work calmly in a busy, sometimes pressured environment, be motivated and enthusiastic about fresh food, capable of communicating effectively with fellow team members and the customer.

The working hours are 40 per week, organised in split shifts, 5 days out of 7, which will include some weekend and evening work.

Flexibility on hours to be worked will be required to meet the needs of the business. Typical split shift working hours would be 07:15 – 14:15, 17:30 -20:30. The main place of work is Egrove Park in Kennington, Oxford, however if operationally we have need to work offsite, including our sites in Oxford you would be expected to work shifts there.

Upon joining us, you will receive excellent benefits including, free car parking on site, meals on duty, generous annual leave entitlement of 38 days, comprising of 8 public/bank holidays and 30 workdays of which 3 would need to be taken during our Christmas closure, leave is granted in Lieu of any bank holidays worked as agreed in advance. Enrolment into the Oxford staff pension scheme, All uniform will be provided and laundered, discounted bus travel, Cycle loan scheme and many other Oxford University benefits.

# Responsibilities

- Preparation, cooking, presentation and serving of breakfast, lunch, dinner and buffets
- Ensuring all food is prepared to the required food service deadlines
- To maintain the standards of food preparation, taste and customer service set by the Head Chef
- To be knowledgeable in all kitchen sections, including larder, pastry and sauce
- To assist in all kitchen duties, including receiving deliveries, stock management, stock control, cleaning down and food safety controls
- To maintain high personal standards in all aspects of kitchen hygiene and food safety
- Serve meals from the pass or buffet service and to communicate and engage appropriately with clients and front of house staff
- Demonstrate a willing and helpful attitude towards internal and external stakeholders



# **Selection criteria**

#### **Essential selection criteria**

- Have a positive attitude, be enthusiastic about food, self-motivated and reliable
- To hold an NVQ Level 2 & 3 in Professional Cookery or equivalent
- Previous catering experience within a similar, high-quality establishment
- An understanding of the need for excellent customer service at all times
- Flexible approach to working hours, with weekend and evening availability
- Ability to work independently without supervision and collaboratively within a team
- Excellent communication skills and a professional friendly approach
- Good management and organizational skills with the ability to meet strict deadlines
- Basic IT literacy, working with Microsoft Office, Word, Excel and Outlook
- To hold a Food Hygiene Certificate
- Have a good working knowledge of dietary requirements and current legislation

### Desirable selection criteria

- Have experience in Pastry and Bread
- Be innovative with menu design and ideas
- Intermediate Food Hygiene Certificate
- Have awareness of food wastage
- An awareness of Health and Safety issues in particular Food Hygiene, Manual Handling practices and COSHH although additional training will be provided and refreshed annually

# **Pre-employment screening**

#### Standard checks

If you are offered the post, the offer will be subject to standard pre-employment checks. You will be asked to provide: proof of your right-to-work in the UK; proof of your identity; and (if we haven't done so already) we will contact the referees you have nominated. You will also be asked to complete a health declaration so that you can tell us about any health conditions or disabilities for which you may need us to make appropriate adjustments.

Please read the candidate notes on the University's pre-employment screening procedures at:

https://www.jobs.ox.ac.uk/pre-employment-checks



# **About the University of Oxford**

Welcome to the University of Oxford. We aim to lead the world in research and education for the benefit of society both in the UK and globally. Oxford's researchers engage with academic, commercial and cultural partners across the world to stimulate high-quality research and enable innovation through a broad range of social, policy and economic impacts.

We believe our strengths lie both in empowering individuals and teams to address fundamental questions of global significance, while providing all our staff with a welcoming and inclusive workplace that enables everyone to develop and do their best work. Recognising that diversity is our strength, vital for innovation and creativity, we aspire to build a truly diverse community which values and respects every individual's unique contribution.

While we have long traditions of scholarship, we are also forward-looking, creative and cutting-edge. Oxford is one of Europe's most entrepreneurial universities and we rank first in the UK for university spin-outs, and in recent years we have spun out 15-20 new companies every year. We are also recognised as leaders in support for social enterprise.

Join us and you will find a unique, democratic and international community, a great range of staff benefits and access to a vibrant array of cultural activities in the beautiful city of Oxford. For more information, please visit www.ox.ac.uk/about/ organisation.

### Saïd Business School

Saïd Business School blends the best of new and old. We are a vibrant and innovative business school, but yet deeply embedded in an 800 year old world-class university. We create programmes and ideas that have global impact. We educate people for successful business careers, and as a community seek to tackle

world-scale problems. We deliver cutting-edge programmes, including the highly regarded MBA, Executive MBA, a number of specialist MScs, a portfolio of custom and open programmes, and accredited diplomas for executives, and we undertake ground-breaking research that transform individuals, organisations, business practice, and society. We are an international and outward looking School with our programme participants coming from more than 50 countries.

We seek to be a world-class business school community, embedded in a world-class University, tackling world-scale problems.

Further information about Saïd Business School is available at www.sbs.oxford.edu

The School holds a bronze Athena Swan award to recognise advancement of gender equality: representation, progression and success for all.

#### **Social Sciences**

The School is a department within the Social Sciences Division, one of four academic Divisions in the University, each with considerable devolved budgetary and financial authority; and responsibility for providing a broad strategic focus across its constituent disciplines.

The Social Sciences Division represents the largest grouping of social sciences in the UK: home to a number of outstanding departments and to the internationally ranked Law Faculty; all are committed to research to develop a greater understanding of all aspects of society, from the impact of political, legal and economic systems on social and economic welfare to human rights and security. That research is disseminated through innovative graduate programmes and enhances undergraduate courses. For more information please visit <a href="https://www.socsci.ox.ac.uk/">https://www.socsci.ox.ac.uk/</a>



# How to apply

Applications are made through our erecruitment system and you will find all the information you need about how to apply on our Jobs website <a href="https://www.jobs.ox.ac.uk/how-to-apply">https://www.jobs.ox.ac.uk/how-to-apply</a>.

Your application will be judged solely on the basis of how you demonstrate that you meet the selection criteria stated in the job description.

As part of your application you will be asked to provide details of two referees and indicate whether we can contact them now.

You will be asked to upload a CV and a supporting statement. The supporting statement must explain how you meet each of the selection criteria for the post using examples of your skills and experience. This may include experience gained in employment, education, or during career breaks (such as time out to care for dependants). Please upload all documents as PDF files with your name and the document type in the filename.

All applications must be received by midday UK time on the closing date stated in the online advertisement.

## Information for priority candidates

A priority candidate is a University employee who is seeking redeployment because they have been advised that they are at risk of redundancy, or on grounds of ill-health/disability. Priority candidates are issued with a redeployment letter by their employing department(s).

If you are a priority candidate, please ensure that you attach your redeployment letter to your application (or email it to the contact address on the advert if the application form used for the vacancy does not allow attachments).

# If you need help

Help and support is available from:
<a href="https://hrsystems.gadmin.ox.ac.uk/recruitment-support">https://hrsystems.gadmin.ox.ac.uk/recruitment-support</a>

If you require any further assistance please email HR.recruitment@sbs.ox.ac.uk.

To return to the online application at any stage, please go to: <a href="https://www.recruit.ox.ac.uk">www.recruit.ox.ac.uk</a>.

Please note that you will receive an automated email from our e-recruitment system to confirm receipt of your application. Please check your spam/junk mail if you do not receive this email.



# Important information for candidates

#### **Data Privacy**

Please note that any personal data submitted to the University as part of the job application process will be processed in accordance with the GDPR and related UK data protection legislation. For further information, please see the University's Privacy Notice for Job Applicants at:

https://compliance.admin.ox.ac.uk/\_job-applicant-privacy-policy. The University's Policy on Data Protection is available at: https://compliance.admin.ox.ac.uk/data-protection-policy.

#### The University's policy on retirement

The University operates an Employer Justified Retirement Age (EJRA) for all academic posts and some academic-related posts. The University has adopted an EJRA of 30 September before the 69th birthday for all academic and academic-related staff in posts at grade 8 and above. The justification for this is explained at: <a href="https://hr.admin.ox.ac.uk/the-ejra">https://hr.admin.ox.ac.uk/the-ejra</a>

For existing employees, any employment beyond the retirement age is subject to approval through the procedures: https://hr.admin.ox.ac.uk/the-ejra

There is no normal or fixed age at which staff in posts at grades 1–7 have to retire. Staff at these grades may elect to retire in accordance with the rules of the applicable pension scheme, as may be amended from time to time.

#### **Equality of opportunity**

Entry into employment with the University and progression within employment will be determined only by personal merit and the application of criteria which are related to the duties of each particular post and the relevant salary structure. In all cases, ability to perform the job will be the primary consideration. No applicant or member of staff shall be discriminated against because of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation.



## Oxford Saïd Exclusive Benefits

## Wellbeing initiatives

The Business School runs an annual Wellbeing Day for all staff. In addition to this, there is yoga, healthy food deliveries, health MOTs and a range of other ad hoc programmes Our excellent catering facilities provide a high standard of food, including healthy eating and vegetarian options at a subsidised cost.

## Staff Summer and Christmas parties

Oxford Saïd like to reward all of their staff for their great work and their Christmas and Summer parties are our way of saying thank you. The Christmas party is for all staff and the summer party is for staff and their immediate family members, because we know how important family is to all of us.

#### **Employee Assistance provider**

Validium is an employee assistance and wellbeing consultancy that works in partnership the Business School to provide staff and their immediate family with a free 24-hour per day helpline providing confidential information and counselling services on personal issues.

# **University of Oxford Benefits**

#### **Annual leave**

38 days (inc. public holidays) Long service additional annual leave – up to 5 days per annum, pro rata for part time employees. Previous service within higher education sector can be recognised. An additional scheme enables staff to request to purchase up to 10 additional days in each holiday year.

#### Pay increases

The University salary and grading structure allows for annual incremental progression until a scale-bar point is reached. This incremental progression is automatic.

#### **Pension**

If you are on an academic or academic related pay scale (grade 6 or above), you are automatically a member of USS. Employer contribution is 21.4% and Employee contribution is 9.8%.

If you are on a pay scale other than academic or academic related (grade 1-5) you are automatically a member of OSPS. Employee contribution can be between 4%-8% and Employer contribution 6%-10%.

#### **NUS Extra discount card**

All University staff can purchase a card for £12 for 12 months (£22 for 2 years, £32 for 3 years) which gives access to numerous exclusive offers and discounts from many popular retailers.

#### University discounts

Wide range of discounts from external companies using a university card.

#### **University Club**

Membership of the University Club is free for all University staff. The University Club offers social, sporting, and hospitality facilities. Staff can also use the University Sports Centre on Iffley Road at discounted rates, including a fitness centre, powerlifting room, and swimming pool. See www.club.ox.ac.uk and https://www.sport.ox.ac.uk/.

## Access to Oxford buildings

Free access to a number of Oxford colleges, Botanic Gardens, Harcourt Arboretum, Wytham Woods and discount at numerous restaurants/shops.















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