

# A gift with long-lasting impact

Remembering Kellogg in your will





Leaving a gift to Kellogg in your will is without doubt one of the most important ways to help us create far-reaching opportunities for students in the future. Every single gift we receive helps transform lives and champion lifelong learning for generations to come.

We'd like to extend our warmest thanks to the many members and friends who have already pledged to leave a gift to Kellogg. Anyone who does so will be invited to become a member of the Vincent Strudwick Society – a society established to thank and celebrate all those who have so generously decided to leave a lasting legacy to Kellogg in their will.

Thank you for considering doing the same.



Kellogg is a very special College. It has been my privilege to serve as President since 2008. In that time, I have felt honoured to meet and work with the students, Fellows, staff, alumni, and friends who make Kellogg what it is today.

My mission is to ensure that our College thrives for decades – indeed centuries – to come. Your support will help us do that by ensuring the College's financial sustainability – enabling us to keep giving opportunities to students who will be world change-makers over future generations.

I am immensely grateful to you for considering making a gift to Kellogg in your will. We would wish to recognise your support by making you a member of our newly-formed Vincent Strudwick Society – which will celebrate and bring together likeminded friends of Kellogg on a continuing basis.

Thank you most sincerely.

Jonathan Michie

Professor Jonathan Michie, OBE President, Kellogg College





## A message from Vincent Strudwick

The Rev Canon Dr Vincent Strudwick is one of Kellogg's earliest Fellows and now an Honorary Fellow and Emeritus Fellow of the College. Our Legacy Society is named in honour of Vincent, his work and continued support of the College. Here he shares his thoughts on Kellogg then and now.

"When Geoffrey Thomas, Kellogg's founding father, envisioned a new College at Oxford University, he asked the question: 'What kind of role is there for a College of international character, including part-time as well as full-time students, that enables 'belonging' in an adult way, enhances friendships across disciplines, and provides a framework in which there is the setting for achievement in specialist knowledge, but also the opportunity to reflect and grow in wisdom and maturity?'

"It was a question he shared with the dozen or so of Kellogg's founding Fellows as he set about establishing a distinctive culture and regime with our first students. We were all conscious that our project was 'counter-cultural' but actually in tune with a long tradition of change in the life of the University.

"It was our task to establish a sense of family commitment and sense of belonging to thrive

where the College provided the personal foundation for an expression of community that would act as a life forming experience for our students. Geoffrey realised what we needed was a radical social programme.

"Coming from very different backgrounds, the question was how should we explore the dignity of difference and learn from it? The Fellows began to work it out together.

"Eating together, combining food and drink with relaxed conversation and laughter, was a priority. Kellogg flourished and grew. When I became Chamberlain, we explored a distinction between 'College' Night dinners and 'Guest' Night dinners. The former were to enhance our togetherness while the latter enabled us to mingle with those from other colleges and friends, to solidify our corporate nature, exhibiting and enjoying our distinctive values.

"By 2006, there was an increased sense of busyness and we saw the biggest change in our history so far when we acquired a four-acre site on the Banbury Road. With the ability to offer residential places to international students we were better placed to integrate our students into life at Kellogg.

"In 2007 Geoffrey retired and was succeeded the next year by Professor Jonathan Michie, who had the challenging task of affirming what Kellogg stood for in an increasingly competitive, rapidly changing Oxford, and re-imagining our role to implement it in a global culture.

"Yet it was not just Oxford that had changed - change was part of the new world. As Professor of Innovation and Knowledge Exchange,
Jonathan was keenly aware of the dangers, as well as the possibilities, of a world where the movement of peoples, and the power of capitalist global institutions, brought economic hardship, inequalities, and injustices for people far and wide.

"He believed that with increasing social division and unrest, and the imminent dangers of climate change, there was a need for scholars to think global and act local. Fundraising and recruitment followed, along with an influx of such students.

"Today, the issues that face the world in a period of political, economic, and social division arguably unparalleled since the fall of the Roman Empire and exacerbated by Covid-19, need those who have found meaning and purpose in Kellogg's vision to combine as former Fellows and students, together with friends of the College, to be part of a transformation to make real changes in the site and its environment.

"As a Fellow from those very early days in 1990, and now approaching my 90th year, Kellogg's vision has provided me with a place to feel at home and to grow. In Kellogg, I certainly found a place in which I could share a vision in company with people of like mind, and which I long to be available for future generations.

"It is an enormous challenge to embrace yet more change, but in such times of uncertainty Kellogg and its students fill me with hope as they seek to change the world for the better. May they do so for you."

#### Vincent Strudwick

Honorary Fellow and Emeritus Fellow of Kellogg College





### Our commitment to lifelong learning

Kellogg is the University of Oxford's most international College and offers an unmatched level of diversity. Currently, we have students from over 90 countries across the globe, from all walks of life, professions, and ages. It is a community of which we are immensely proud; it provides a rich melting pot of ideas, personalities, and experiences.

It's also the perfect hub for lifelong learning. Studies show that students work better in plural cultural environments, enabling them to concentrate and push themselves further when working alongside people from different backgrounds. As well as better education, this promotes creativity as those with differing viewpoints are able to collaborate to create solutions.

Our community is both culturally and intellectually diverse with students ranging in age from their 20s to those in their 70s. Since our foundation, we have welcomed over 6,000 students through our doors studying more than 200 courses.

It's been our mission from the outset to open up the Oxford experience to a wider audience, regardless of their background or financial circumstances. Providing flexible learning opportunities has been an essential part of this.

With work, work-life balance and workplaces changing, we want to continue to make a difference by growing significantly our full-time student body, whilst continuing to support over 1,000 part-time students – enabling even more people to benefit from the Kellogg experience of studying at Oxford.

Our legators make a huge difference in helping us achieve this. We absolutely understand that your priority will be to ensure the needs of your loved ones are met. Beyond this however, you may feel a bequest could also be made to Kellogg. Your support will boost our efforts to inspire, nurture, and grow the change makers of the future.

### Making a difference

A gift in your will can make a lasting contribution for generations to come, whether it endows scholarships or bursaries for gifted students or helps provide new facilities and resources vital to their success.

Any gift you're able to give will make a difference. Over the years, legacies continue to help the College flourish with gifts from bequests both large and small. Through the generosity of our benefactors, we have been able to offer a wide range of scholarships on a full-time and part-time basis, including our first fully endowed scholarship – the Oxford-Vincent Packford and Geoffrey Smart Graduate Scholarship. All our scholarships offer life changing opportunities for students and make a world of difference to them so they can go on to make a difference to the world.

Gifts are also vital in supporting a variety of bursaries in the form of research grants, travel grants and the Student Support Fund, to support students while at Kellogg. Of course, the continuous improvement of College facilities is equally important to ensure they match the changing needs of students. Previous legacies have helped us build our Hub Café and Common Room – a multi-purpose space for students and other College members to enjoy social gatherings, meet colleagues and friends, or simply relax with a coffee and cake. It's the University's first building to achieve Passivhaus 'green' status and supports our drive for sustainable living that underpins life at Kellogg.

Whatever gift you're able to give to Kellogg it can be directed to an area of College that matters to you most. All bequests help towards enriching the student experience enabling us to continue to attract and nurture the very best students, regardless of their financial background.

#### **Celebrating your support**

We understand that your will arrangements are personal and you may wish for them to remain confidential. However, if you are happy to let us know that the College is included in your will, we'd be delighted to invite you to become a member of The Vincent Strudwick Society.

This society was created exclusively to thank our legators during their lifetime so they can enjoy more of Kellogg and be kept up to date with College news. All members of the Society receive:

- an invitation to the annual Vincent Strudwick Society afternoon tea at Kellogg, hosted by the President
- a copy of Kellogg's annual Connect magazine
- priority invitations to key College events.

If you have already included or intend to remember Kellogg in your will, please let the Development Office know by emailing development@kellogg.ox.ac.uk



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My association with Kellogg goes back 14 years, and in that time, I have had the opportunity to meet many amazing people. It is a home for those who find fulfilment through engaging discussion in a warm, accepting, and non-judgemental environment.

I'm delighted to have the opportunity to provide support in the longer term through the legacy programme. For me, this is a way of saying thank you and investing in the future for all who are part of Kellogg.

Dr David King, Kellogg legator

### **Transforming futures**



"I feel very honoured to have been awarded this scholarship and I would not have been able to pursue a doctorate at Oxford had it not been for the scholarship's generous financial support. The three years that I have held this award have been the most rewarding years of my academic and personal life thus far — at Oxford, and at Kellogg, I have been pushed further intellectually than ever before while also being equipped with the tools to begin to see and understand the world in different ways.

"Kellogg's egalitarianism, in particular, has deeply impacted my own personal beliefs. The security and stability provided by the scholarship have meant I have had all the freedom in the world to think, to question, and to expand my horizons. My DPhil experience has been equal parts exciting and challenging; it is a lot of hard work, but it is work that has been invigorating and fulfilling. The

trust and faith that this award reposed in my work has kept me going through some of the more difficult times.

"I do not exaggerate when I say this has been a life-changing award, but I am also conscious of my privilege in holding it. I am amazed by the incredible research my peers are doing, and with more scholarships there is so much potential to enable and support cutting-edge work in the thriving scholarly community at Kellogg."

Urvi Khaitan, DPhil Economic & Social History. Recipient of the Oxford-Vincent Packford and Geoffrey Smart Graduate Scholarship.



"Following the completion of my DPhil in 2020, I joined the Civil Service. I currently work in the Ministry of Justice. I am also preparing my DPhil thesis for publication in the OUP's Oxford Monograph Series and continue to write Irish history, the subject of my thesis. I was delighted that the OUP offered to publish it; it has made me all the more appreciative of the Oxford-Vincent Packford and Geoffrey Smart Graduate Scholarship. Though it's been a while since I left Kellogg, the Scholarship continues to afford me opportunities for intellectual and professional development."

Matthew Ward, DPhil History. First recipient of the Oxford-Vincent Packford and Geoffrey Smart Graduate Scholarship.

A legacy gift has true lasting impact beyond even the lifetime of the recipient, allowing others to learn from their work for generations to come.

### Remembering Kellogg in your will

Leaving a legacy to Kellogg is one of the most powerful ways of making a difference to future generations at the College as well as ensuring a place in the history of the University of Oxford.

It goes without saying that in preparing a will, providing for your loved ones will absolutely be the priority; however once these provisions are in place, you may feel able to leave a gift to Kellogg and leave a lasting legacy that will have an incredible impact on our ability to transform futures.

We take all investments bestowed to Kellogg very seriously and as such all charitable legacy gifts received are held centrally by Oxford University Endowment Management (OUEM) who operate the highest standards of investment management to ensure the real value of your gift is preserved.

Set out opposite are several ways to leave us a gift in your will. If you have already written a will, you can fill in the enclosed codicil form to keep with it.



### **Types of legacies**

#### **Residuary Legacy**

A gift of all or part of your net estate, after expenses, liabilities, taxes and other legacies have been met.

#### **Specific Legacy**

This is a gift bequeathing personal possessions such as jewellery, property, works of art, or stocks and shares. If you wish to leave a specific legacy, we would be grateful if you would consult the Development Director in advance to ensure Kellogg is a suitable home for your piece.

#### **Pecuniary Legacy**

This is a financial gift of a specific sum of money (or shares).

#### **Reversionary Legacy**

This gift has the advantage of providing for your family first, and then benefitting Kellogg. It involves leaving your assets to Trustees so that the beneficiaries can enjoy the benefits during their lifetime with the whole or a portion passing to the College on their death.

Please refer to the enclosed codicil form for

reference to legal legacy wording you can give to your solicitor.

#### Tax advantages

Oxford University and its Colleges have charitable status as exempt charities under the terms of the Charities Act 2011. Legacy gifts to Kellogg College are therefore exempt from Inheritance Tax and Capital Gains Tax.

Remembering Kellogg in your will can also reduce the amount of any tax payable out of your estate: leaving 10% or more of your estate to charity reduces the taxable threshold of your estate from 40% to 36%. Please consult your financial advisor for advice on these benefits.

#### Legacy giving in the US and Canada

If you live in the United States or Canada and would like more information about leaving a legacy gift to Kellogg in your will, please contact:

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**Tel:** (+1) 212 377 4900

Email: central@oxfordna.org

We would be delighted if you would consider leaving a gift to Kellogg in your will. If you would like to include us, or have already included us, please contact our Development Director to let them know at: development@kellogg.ox.ac.uk

All enquiries and pledges will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Thank you for considering Kellogg.



I will be forever grateful for the legacy gift that enabled my study at Kellogg – I hope that the research I conducted here will be a source of inspiration for others in the future.

Matthew Ward, DPhil History, The Oxford-Vincent Packford and Geoffrey Smart Graduate Scholarship



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