



CITY OF
OXFORD
COLLEGE

NEW

THE OXFORDSHIRE CENTRE FOR
**TECHNOLOGY,
INNOVATION
AND SKILLS**

An opportunity to support us in shaping education
and training in **construction** and **STEM**
(science, technology, **engineering** and mathematics)

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ABOUT

The Oxfordshire Skills Board has identified the need for greater investment in STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) skills and training as a regional priority.

The Oxfordshire Centre for Technology, Innovation and Skills, based in Blackbird Leys, is being developed with several million pounds of investment to provide a high-spec facility for technology-related learning in Oxfordshire; one which will enhance the experience of our students and equip them for the growing labour market in the region.

Blackbird Leys has been identified as a priority area for growth by the Local Enterprise Partnership.

The centre will be open to students aged 14 to 19 who wish to pursue a career in the construction industry.

A team of passionate teaching staff will deliver programmes with a focus on real-life practical projects, shaped by employer partners. These programmes will enhance the employability of every student who studies with us.

MISSION

To deliver first class construction, technology and engineering learning opportunities for people starting or progressing in their careers, through thought provoking, exciting and relevant learning experiences.

Mathematics and science will be at the heart of all activities on the campus, for students and staff in both engineering and construction.

Our vision:

Curriculum design – To earn a reputation for leading-edge, innovative teaching, learning and assessment.

To create a vibrant, employer-shaped curriculum, linked to future job opportunities in Oxfordshire, giving young people a direct line of sight to work.

Strategic positioning – To energise our communities and create productive strategic partnerships.

To position City of Oxford College at the centre of the community with employers in the local neighbourhood and beyond.

The neighbourhood – To inspire collaboration to create high-quality environments that provide employment and enterprise opportunities for our students.

To develop the physical estate, improving the level of accommodation and facilities at the campus, and creating new environments through capital projects.

The community – To invest heavily in a socially and economically deprived area and improve the life chances of residents from the Blackbird Leys area.

To attract, develop and train a highly qualified, skilled, curious and independent workforce where possible from the local community (within Oxfordshire).

GET INVOLVED

The Oxfordshire Centre for Technology, Innovation and Skills invites employers to be part of this exciting facility that is helping shape the future of the construction and engineering industries.

There are a number of ways a prospective employer can support us:

- » Consultancy and advice on curriculum design and content
- » Employer accreditations
- » Coaching and mentoring for staff and students

» Access to selected project information to provide 'real-life' case studies to facilitate project challenges and enhance the students' learning experience

» Work experience opportunities

» Hosting of and participation in student recruitment events

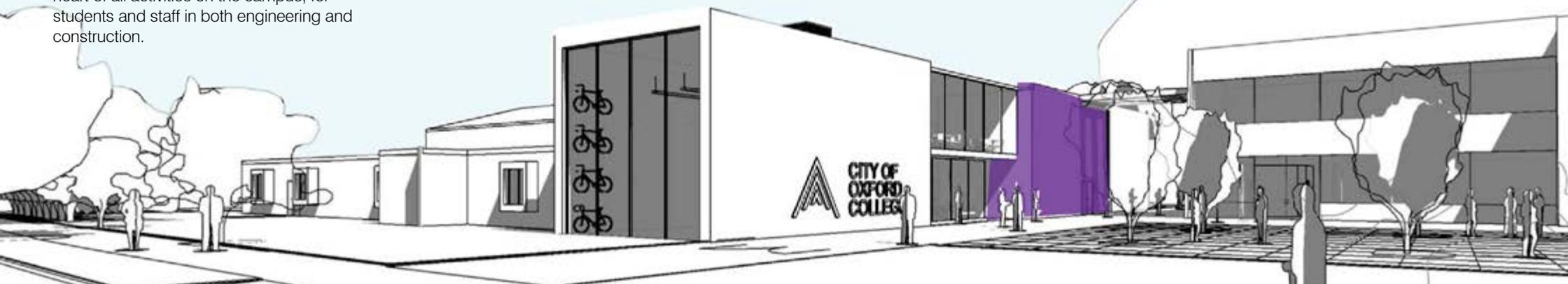
There is no formal contract, instead industry partners are asked to support and sign a Memorandum of Understanding which outlines their commitment and support. The Oxfordshire Centre for Technology and Innovation and Skills.

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Skanska has a long-term partnership with Oxfordshire County Council to deliver highway maintenance and transport improvement schemes for the benefit of Oxfordshire's residents, businesses and visitors. We are delighted therefore to have the opportunity to also enter into partnership with City of Oxford College, to help promote our industry and support the development of skills and expertise within the construction industry. Construction is an exciting and challenging environment and we need a wide range of skills to deliver our projects. By sharing our experience and offering the opportunity for students to study real live projects, we can ensure that they gain the right knowledge and skills to play a key part of our industry's future.

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Paul Durham – Business Director for Skanska





At Beard we are proud of our long commitment to training and developing young people coming into construction, as we believe that our people are central to our success. This as an outstanding opportunity to work with City of Oxford College to promote the construction industry; and ensure a good supply of talented, enthusiastic and committed young people, with the right skillset, into construction locally, to ensure its - and our - future success.



John Youle, Director – Beard Construction

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