

Freshers Fair Regulations 2025



Freshers' Fair will take place on Tuesday September 16th, Wednesday September 17th, and Friday September 19th. Access for societies will open at 09:00 each day to allow for set-up, with the Fair beginning for students at 10:00. The Fair will conclude at 15:00 each day.

1. Stands may only be set up from 09:00 on each of the three mornings.
2. Queuing for tables and chairs before 09:00 is not permitted.
3. Recognised groups may sign out one desk in front of the Exam Hall, and may take no more than two chairs per society from the foyer of the Exam Hall or the foyer of the College Chapel.
4. Each group is responsible for returning its desk and chairs. Tables must be signed back in by 15:15 at the latest. Groups that fail to return desks may not be allocated one on subsequent days.
5. The Fair will follow a "Market Square" format. Paving pathways must be kept clear at all times. All recognised groups will display their stands within Front Square proper.
6. The area between Front Gate and the beginning of the Centre Walk must remain unobstructed. No club or society may distribute flyers or other material on the central path to Front Arch, under Front Arch, or between Front Arch and the College Front Gate. Distribution of flyers or material outside College grounds is also prohibited.
7. Stands using displays or gazebos must ensure that structures are safe and of reasonable height (maximum 2.13 m / 7 ft).
8. Gazebos must not significantly exceed the width of the provided table (approx. 1.2 m / 4 ft). If you have a wider gazebo, you should consider sharing it with another society to conserve space.
9. The use of amplification systems, loudhailers, or any form of sound equipment (fixed or portable) is strictly forbidden.

10. In line with College policy, the preparation or distribution of food is not permitted except by approved providers. This includes items such as popcorn unless sold in sealed, pre-packaged form. The use of water boilers or similar appliances is prohibited, and food prepared in residences may not be distributed. Pre-packaged sweets or snacks may be handed out.
11. Running electrical leads across Front Square, using multi-adaptors outdoors, or plugging into unauthorised sockets presents a safety hazard and is not permitted. Societies or clubs requiring electricity must arrange this in advance through the Estates and Facilities Office.
12. Groups must ensure their stand area remains litter-free. Litter should be controlled throughout the day and cleared at the end of the Fair. Use the receptacles provided, which must not be moved. Recycling bins will also be available—please use these for paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, cans, and other marked recyclables.
13. To reduce waste, clubs and societies are asked to avoid excessive handouts, as many end up discarded. Consider alternative ways to share information.

The Head of Fire Safety and the Head of College Security will carry out safety and security checks in Front Square throughout the week. Any club, society, publication, or group found to be in breach of the above regulations may be required to remove its stand. Repeated breaches of the Senior Dean's regulations may result in disciplinary action by the Senior Dean, who may also direct the SU, CSC, TSU or Publications, as appropriate, to implement disciplinary measures under their respective constitutions.