



# OXFORD CAMP IN CHINA

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Hometown of Panda, City of Chengdu July — August 2025

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EXPERIENCE

## Play Hard & Work Hard Experience the Best of Both Worlds

Join our unique two-week summer school program in China, organized by experienced tutors from the prestigious University of Oxford. Immerse yourself in a one-of-a-kind educational experience tailored for young students from around the world. Enhance your communication, debating, and critical thinking skills while exploring the fascinating aspects of Chinese culture in the vibrant city of Chengdu. You will be joining one week academic camp and one week cultural travel tour including Panda visit, Sichuan cuisine, and more.



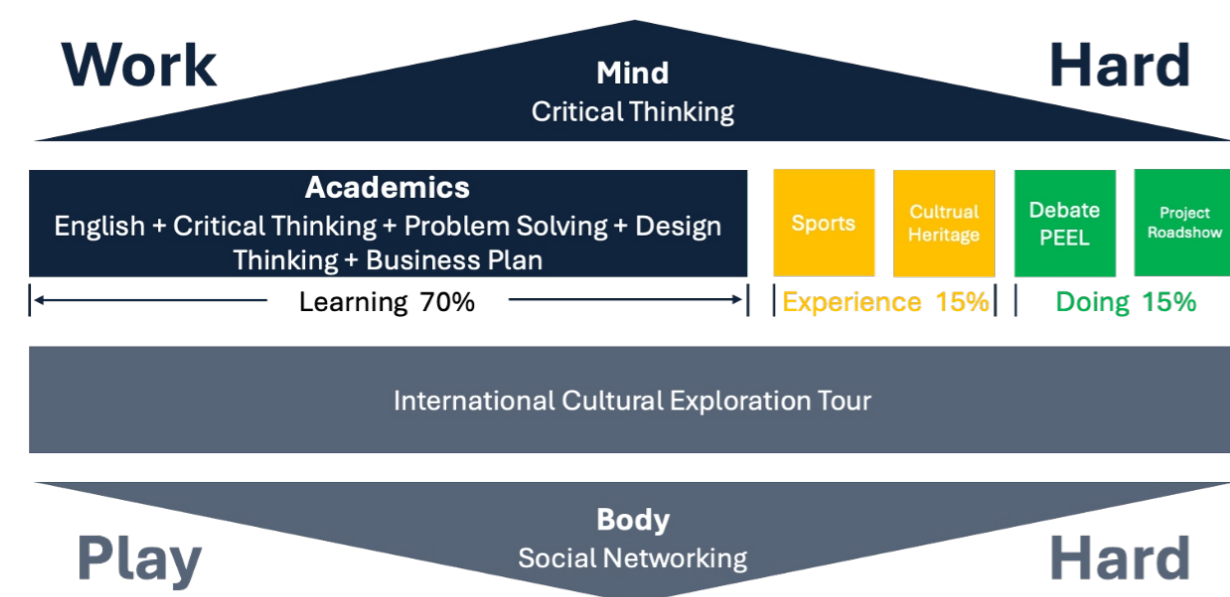
## Summary

- **World-Class Education:** Learn from Oxford University tutors, known for their expertise in nurturing intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, and effective communication skills.
- **Exciting Location:** Experience the rich cultural heritage of Chengdu, offering a diverse and immersive learning experience.
- **Engaging Curriculum:** Participate in interactive workshops and activities designed to develop your debating and public speaking abilities, all within the context of Chinese culture.
- **Cultural Immersion:** Discover the rich history and traditions of China through hands-on experiences in calligraphy, painting, martial arts, and cuisine.
- **Language Learning:** Boost your global competence by learning both English and Mandarin Chinese, the world's most spoken language, in an engaging and supportive environment.
- **Unforgettable Experiences:** Celebrate Chinese festivals, participate in traditional facial makeup drawing, and explore iconic landmarks in Chengdu to create lasting memories.
- **International Friendships:** Connect with like-minded students from all over the world, fostering cross-cultural understanding and lifelong friendships.
- **Personal Growth:** Develop your confidence, adaptability, and leadership skills as you step out of your comfort zone and embrace new experiences.



## Unique Oxford Camp Model

The best of western academics meets the ancient eastern world of leisure and abundance rightly connect the mind and body. China camp focuses Critical Thinking and Creativity and it brings up the skills you need in the post-AI era when knowledge is not the only competitive skill one should hone. Meanwhile, you will not miss the giant panda and mysterious ancient culture and extend your bonding with newly met international peers. Social network at this level will benefit you for life.



## The Part of Studying Hard The Oxford Institute Tutor and Courses

Nazish, co-founder and program director of the prestigious Oxford Summer Program. With a background in Information Systems from the University of Manchester and over a two decade of experience in the education sector, Nazish brings a wealth of expertise to the table. In their role, Nazish oversees delivery operations at the Oxford Summer Camp in China, diligently managing teaching staff and ensuring the seamless delivery of our summer school camp. With a passion for education and a dedication to excellence, Nazish is instrumental in shaping transformative learning experiences for students worldwide.



## Problem Solving – Dr. Ashlee Stetser

Dr. Stetser is a U.S. trained and licensed attorney (juris doctor) with a concentration in international law. She graduated from the University of Oxford with an M.S. in Diplomatic Studies. She currently lectures at the University of Cambridge, Boston University, and Vermont Law School.



## Debating & Public Speaking Masterclass

Ahmad Nawaz graduated with a degree in Philosophy and Theology from the University of Oxford, Lady Margaret Hall, and is pursuing a Master's degree in Law at the University of Law. Ahmad is a former President of the world-renowned Oxford Union, the most prestigious debating society worldwide. As President, Ahmad has hosted debates with Presidents, Prime Ministers, and other world leaders.



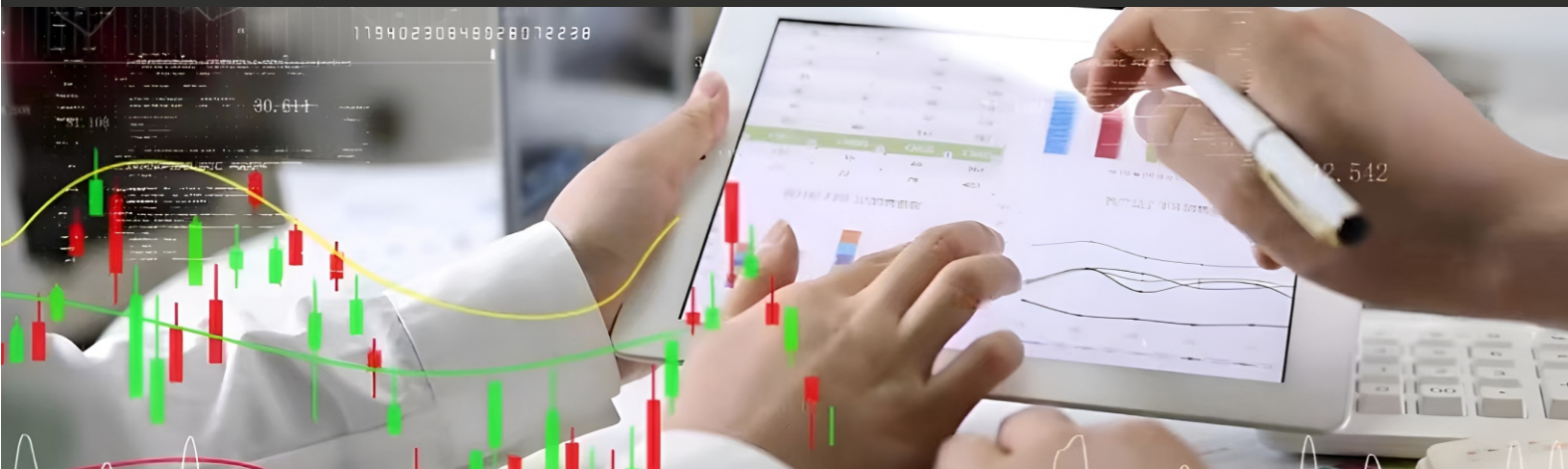
In post-AI era, information and knowledge is easily attainable. However, in real world, how to use tools to solve complicate problems will be the key skill that separates human and machine. This course will focus on identifying a Global Issue the world is facing. Groupdiscussion with creative thinking approach will generate possible solutions. The course encourages creativity and different ideas. Through testing and implement solutions, students will apply this method in real-world-problems. This course also benefits them in team working, collaboration, leadership, and persuasive communication.

He brings a wealth of public speaking experience, having addressed the United Nations and the British Parliament. In recognition of his impactful advocacy, he has been awarded an Honorary Doctorate (Hon. D.Litt) by Coventry University and the British Empire Medal (BEM) by King Charles III. Ahmad has been imparting his unique insights into debating and public speaking to students at the Oxford Institute for the past three years.



## Critical Thinking - Inti Mantripp

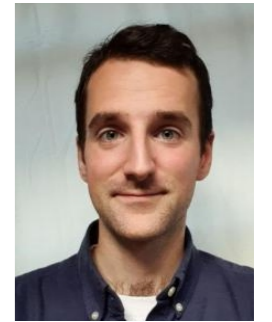
Inti has a background in physics, mathematics and philosophy. This has managed to lead him into a career in quantitative finance, where he works for Bank of America in their London offices developing models and turning them into code. He is an incoming master's student at Oxford where he will complete an MSc. in Mathematical Modelling and Scientific Computing. Otherwise, he's a passionate gymnast, surfer, and puzzle solver.



This course aims to foster habits of forming and assessing opinions using logical reasoning processes, teaching students how to think independently, analytically, and critically. The intention is that these skills will serve students throughout their student, professional, and personal lives, helping them excel in school exams, in interviews, and in their professional career.

## Business Plan - Carlo Palazzi

Carlo is a researcher in renewable energy systems, currently pursuing a DPhil at the University of Oxford across Engineering Science and the Environmental Change Institute. He is an avid debater and serves as Mentor for Debate Mate Charity, London where he teaches primary and secondary school students theory and practice of debate. He is also a stipendiary lecturer at New College, Oxford. He holds a first class MSc. from King's College London, a PGCE in Physics & Maths Education from UCL, and a first class BSc in Physics & Philosophy.



## Business Plan

This course aims to encourage critical thinking, creativity and reflection on the social purpose of organisations through group discussions and activities, culminating in the development of business plans through teamwork. This course gives you an opportunity to understand how businesses operate, adapt, and innovate within societal and technological contexts. By incorporating problem-solving exercises and discussions, it prepares youngsters not just to think about business in terms of profits and structures but as dynamic systems that require strategic decision-making and ethical considerations. This approach reflects the tutor's unique experience as both a professional teacher and business analyst in charity and renewable energy sectors.



## Design Thinking - Lucy Aitchison

Lucy Aitchison is currently in final year at Oxford University studying Law at Lady Margaret Hall College. I have focused my degree in Intellectual Property and Media law, and have also spent time working in legal practice during my degree. This will be my third year as a Junior Dean with the Oxford Institute Summer Program, having started in 2022 and working with the program in both London and Oxford. At school I studied English Literature, Biology, History and Economics to A-level and am always happy to assist students with their essays across these subjects where needed! Outside of my studies, I enjoy long distance running and cycling.



## Design Thinking

Design thinking is a problem-solving approach that emphasizes empathy, creativity, and experimentation. A course in design thinking for students aim to help them develop these skills and apply them to real-world problems. Students will learn about the principles and values of design thinking, including empathy, collaboration, and experimentation. Students will learn how to generate a large number of ideas quickly and effectively, using techniques such as brainstorming, mind mapping, and SCAMPER. A challenging project will be carried out for teams to compete, and user feedback will be rated. The best design is awarded.



## Debate

Parliamentary-style debate and public speaking is an integral part of the Oxford experience and a crucial skill for aspiring young leaders. Students are coached in debating by champion debaters from the Oxford Union, the world's most prestigious debating society. They are trained to form concrete arguments, and explain their points of view clearly and persuasively. This year debating will introduce new skills and topics such as social media's affect on youth, AI in education, science vs humanities, with roles for every student.



All students will be able to use the Point, Explanation, Example, Link (PEEL) model for their speech. A final debating competition will be host.



## Cultural Heritage



## Sports



## Hand-made Bamboo Kintting



## Flag Football



## Sichuan Opera Facial Painting

## Roller Hockey

## Camp Schedule

时间	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7:30—8: 00		晨练 KongFu Exercise					
8:00—8: 30		早餐 ( Breakfast)					
9:00—10:00	到达营地 Arrival	英语公众演讲-1 Debating and Public Speaking	创造与设计能力-1 Creativity	商业计划-2 Business Plan	解决问题能力-2 Problem Solving	思辨能力-3 Critical Thinking	彩排 Rehearsal
10:30—11:00		课间休息					
11:30—12:00	入住宿舍 Check In	商业计划-1 Business Plan	解决问题能力-1 Problem Solving	思辨能力-2 Critical Thinking	英语公众演讲-3 English and Public Speaking	创造与设计能力-3 Creativity	
12:30—13:00	午餐休息 ( Lunch Break)						
13:30—14:30	班会 Class Meeting	思辨能力-1 Critical Thinking	英语公众演讲-2 English and Public Speaking	创造与设计能力-2 Creativity	商业计划-3 Business Plan	解决问题能力-3 Problem Solving	闭幕仪式 颁奖仪式 Closing Ceremony
15:00—15:30		Break					
16:00—17:00	分班融入 设计班徽、班旗 Grouping	腰旗橄榄球 Flag Football	川剧脸谱绘制 Sichuan Opera Facial Painting	旱地冰球 Floorball	手工竹编熊猫 Hand-made Baboo Knitting	分班辩论 Group Debate	
17:30—18:00	晚餐 ( Dinner Break)						
19:00—20:30	开营仪式 Opening	戏剧社 Drama Theater	运动会 Sports Match	商业路演 Roadshow	狂欢水战 Water Fight	辩论赛 Debate	/
21:00—21:30	就寝 Bedtime						
22:00	熄灯 Lightouts						



## Location

Chengdu, 'Rong' for short, is located in the central part of Sichuan province. It is the provincial capital, sub-provincial city and national central city of Sichuan Province, as well as a science and technology center, business center, financial center and transportation and communication hub in southwest China. Chengdu is located in the western part of the Sichuan Basin and on the eastern edge of the Qinghai Tibetan Plateau.

It enjoys the subtropical monsoon climate and forms a vertical climatic zone with distinct Thermal differences, which brings extremely favorable conditions for the development of agriculture and tourism.

Dujiangyan created the Chengdu Plain into a rich 'Land of abundance' The rare animals include giant pandas, lesser pandas and golden snub nosed monkeys. Chengdu's delicacies are well known in China and in the whole world that's the reason why UNESCO awarded Chengdu the first gourmet capital in Asia.



# The Part of Playing Hard

## Places and Activities

After 6 days of teamwork, projects, and competitions, you have already made friends who are willing to share a few days exploring the rich cultural heritage of China. Chengdu is the best place to play. You will meet Panda, make crafts, taste Sichuan cuisine, even an opportunity to try as a chef with your friends.



InterContinental Hotel



Forest Hotel

## 7 days Cultural Tour tailored for International students:

	Location	Level	Activity	Accommodation	Hotel Level	Certificate from Official
Day 1	Daoxiang Yugexi (Red Scarf Village Rural College, Chengdu)		Rice planting, fishing, making fragrant sachets, tie-dyeing	Qingcheng Haosheng Hotel, Dujiangyan	5 Star	Participation in labor practice
Day 2	Qingcheng Mountain, Dujiangyan	AAAA A	Kung Fu Panda Qingcheng Tai Chi, Dujiangyan Hydraulic Engineering study	Qingcheng Haosheng Hotel, Dujiangyan	5 Star	
Day 3	Dujiangyan Panda Valley (Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding)		Panda and red panda study, making panda crafts	Qingcheng Haosheng Hotel, Dujiangyan	5 Star	Giant panda conservation practice
Day 4	Leshan Buddha		The world's biggest Buddha			
Day 5	Chengdu Sichuan Cuisine Museum	AAA	Learn about Sichuan cuisine, experience making Kung Pao Chicken and panda steamed dumplings	Chengdu City Celebrity Hotel	5 Star	Participation in Junior Chef study
Day 6	Three-Body Museum, ARTE Art Museum, Jinsha Site	AAAA	Science, art, and ancient Shu civilization study	Chengdu City Celebrity Hotel	5 Star	Comprehensive competence from Sichuan Children's Activity Center
Day 7	Sichuan Science and Technology Museum, People's Park, Kuanzhai Alley	AAAA	Tea art, erhu (Chinese musical instrument), guqin (Chinese musical instrument), intangible cultural heritage, Sichuan Opera face-changing	San Cha Lake Intercontinental Hotel	5 Star	

### Day 1: Daoxiang Yugexi (Village Rural College, Chengdu)



### Day 2: Qingcheng Mountain, Dujiangyan (AAAAA)



### Day 3: Dujiangyan Panda Valley (Chengdu Research Base of Giant Panda Breeding)



### Day 4: Leshan Buddha





**Day 5:** Chengdu Sichuan Cuisine Museum (AAA)



**Day 6:** Three-Body Museum, ARTE Art Museum, Jinsha Site (AAAA)



**Day 7:** Sichuan Science and Technology Museum, People's Park, Kuanzhai Alley (AAAA)



Don't miss this incredible opportunity to learn from the best, expand your horizons, and create unforgettable memories. Register now for our Oxford Summer School in China, and embark on a life-changing journey!

At the end of this intensive and enriching program, the students will be awarded 'The Oxford Institute Certificate' which is accredited by the British Accreditation Council (BAC).



**Security:**

Security services are responsible for the safety of all students in the camp. All students are accompanied at all times by our staff members. The entry and exit are controlled along with 24-hour CCTV. Security staff are available all time.

**Age Group:** 9 – 18 years

**Dates:** 2025 July - August

**Price:** £2999

£ 2799 - Early bird

£ 2499 - Previous Oxford Institute Students

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