

## Wadham College Middle Common Room Membership

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### Purpose

This document outlines criteria for Wadham Middle Common Room (MCR) Membership, as approved by the MCR in a General Referendum, which took place on 24 Jun 2020.

It is updated by the Wadham Middle Common Room (MCR) Executive in an MCR General Committee Meeting, which took place on 1 Feb 2024.

### Scope

This document should be thoroughly read by all members and prospective members. Section C is to be completed by applicants for associate membership by the MCR.

### Sections

- A. Wadham College Middle Common Room (MCR) Membership Criteria
- B. Current Wadham College MCR Membership Criteria and Rights of Members
- C. Fee information for each of the Associate Membership routes
- D. Wadham College MCR Associate Membership Application Form

### A. Wadham College Middle Common Room (MCR) Membership Criteria

1. Full Members
  - a. All full and part-time students reading for a post-graduate degree or diploma, students with senior status or recognised visiting students who are studying for a postgraduate qualification at the University of Oxford on full time courses, and who are members of Wadham College, are full members of the Wadham College MCR (unless they have waived this status in writing to the Wadham College MCR President and the College).

## 2. Associate Members

- a. The following groups are automatically granted Associate Membership of the Wadham College MCR:
  - i. Research Associates at Wadham College.
  - ii. Undergraduate students reading for the Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery (BM Bch) degree at Wadham College who have been on course nine terms or more.
- b. The following groups may apply for Associate Membership of the Wadham College MCR and are liable to pay a joining fee, at the discretion of the MCR Executive:
  - i. Undergraduate students at Wadham College who are nine terms or more from the time of first enrolment (including students who have suspended or taken a leave of absence).
  - ii. Mature students at Wadham College (defined as being more than 21 years of age at the start of their course).
  - iii. Alumni of Wadham College who work for the University of Oxford and/or within or around the city of Oxford.
  - iv. Visiting students at the University of Oxford who are sponsored by their host who is a Fellow of Wadham College.
  - v. Spouses or partners of full members of Wadham College MCR.
  - vi. Former full members of Wadham College MCR who hold an Oxford University Student Union (OUSU) sabbatical position or a sub-dean position at another University of Oxford college.
  - vii. Persons who have significantly contributed to Wadham College and/or Wadham College MCR life and can demonstrate this in their application (maximum 100 words).

## 3. Application Procedures for Wadham College MCR Associate Membership

- a. All Wadham College MCR Associate Membership applicants under section A, paragraph 2 must fill out the Wadham College MCR Associate Membership Application Form for consideration by the Wadham College MCR Committee. All applications must also be approved by the Wadham College Graduate Provision Committee (or be considered ad hoc by the Wadham College Tutor for Graduates on behalf of the Committee). Associate membership is valid for three academic terms and is subject to annual review. Successful applicants must pay an annual membership fee for their associate membership.

Approved by:

Wadham College Governing Body 18 May 2020

Wadham College Middle Common Room Committee Executive 18 May 2020

Wadham College Middle Common Room General Referendum 24 Jun 2020

## **B. Rights of Members**

4. Members of the MCR, as defined above, may enjoy the following rights.
5. Access to the McCall-MacBain Graduate Centre, which must be returned at the end of their time at the University of Oxford.
6. Use of the facilities in a responsible manner, and may bring a limited number of guests (for whom and for whose behaviour they are responsible).
  - a. Associate members of the MCR are permitted to use the facilities and attend events organised by the MCR, but have no voting rights (although they may stand for committee and executive positions).
7. Full members have the right to vote in meetings and for who shall represent the graduate body in the MCR Executive.
8. Members of the MCR are expected to be on the Wadham MCR e-mail mailing list, and being a member shall be taken as an agreement to being placed onto the mailing list, unless a member requests otherwise by writing to the MCR President.
9. They are bound by a set of rules (see separate document).
10. Members of the MCR may resign their membership in writing to the MCR President and the College authorities, when they are expected to give up their access to the Graduate Centre, and will be removed from current records.

## **C. Fee information for each of the Associate Membership routes**

11. Students in situation **A.2.b.i.** -Undergraduate students at Wadham College who are nine terms or more from the time of first enrolment (including students who have suspended or taken a leave of absence)- will have to pay an associate member fee of £25.00
12. Students in other situations -**A.2.b.ii-vii**- will have to pay an associate member fee of £50.00

**D. Wadham College MCR Associate Membership Application Form**

Applications close two weeks before the start of each academic term OR Week 9 of Trinity Term if intending to join the MCR for the long vacation

**Applicant's Details** (please print)

Full name	
Postal address	
Telephone	
Email address	

I certify that I am eligible for Wadham College MCR Associate Membership because (tick as appropriate):

- I am an undergraduate at Wadham College who is nine terms or more from the time of first enrolment.
- I am a mature student at Wadham College.
- I am an alum of Wadham College who works for the University of Oxford and/or within or around the city of Oxford.
- I am a visiting student and my application is supported by a Fellow of Wadham College.  
Name of Wadham College Fellow: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am the spouse or partner of a full member of Wadham College MCR.  
Name of Wadham College MCR full member: \_\_\_\_\_
- I am a former full member of Wadham College MCR and hold an Oxford University Student Union (OUSU) sabbatical position or a sub-dean position at another University of Oxford college.
- I have significantly contributed to Wadham College and/or Wadham College MCR life and can demonstrate this in writing (maximum 100 words):

**Declaration by applicant**

I, the applicant, understand and agree that, should my membership be approved:

- My membership will be valid for three full academic terms. If I have applied for membership beginning in the long vacation, my membership will be valid until Week 8 of the following Trinity term;
- I will familiarise myself with Wadham College statutes governing the conduct and liabilities of Wadham College MCR Associate Members and I will attend an induction if required;
- I am entitled to access and use the common areas of the McCall MacBain Graduate Centre by signing out a temporary access fob from the Wadham College Lodge, which must be returned when I leave Wadham College property, or by using my access-enabled Bodleian card;
- I am entitled to information about and the opportunity to participate in events/programming for Wadham College MCR members organised by the Wadham College MCR Committee;
- I am entitled to hold a non-executive position on the Wadham College MCR Committee and I am entitled to work in the Wadham College MCR bar subsequent to appropriate training;
- I am NOT entitled to independently book into dinners and other Wadham College-organised programming;
- I am NOT entitled to represent myself as a full member of Wadham College or use Wadham College's name in any capacity;
- My membership expires after 1-year pending reapplication and the Wadham College MCR Committee may withdraw MCR Associate Membership at any time without consultation.

Full name	
Signature	
Date	

Please pidge or email this form to the Wadham College MCR President ([mcr.president@wadham.ox.ac.uk](mailto:mcr.president@wadham.ox.ac.uk)). The application will be discussed at the next Wadham College MCR Committee meeting, and will be considered by Wadham College's Graduate Provision Committee (or will be considered ad hoc by Wadham College's Tutor for Graduates on behalf of the Committee). You will then will be informed of the outcome.

The fee for associate membership is detailed in section C. It needs to be paid via bank transfer to the Wadham College MCR bank account. Bank details will be made available upon successful application.