

**Corpus Christi**  
College Oxford



**Opening the doors  
of opportunity**  
Impactful stories  
of giving

## Enabling world-class research in Modern British History

Finding funding in the current higher education landscape can be extremely challenging for early-career academics. Thanks to the continued generosity of Corpus' benefactors, The Michael Brock Junior Research Fellowship in Modern British History serves as a launch pad for ambitious young historians.

Dr Michael Joseph [photo below], the latest Brock JRF, has proved an excellent researcher and tutor. He has taught a wide range of papers in modern British, European, Caribbean, and global history, as well as papers on historical theory and methodology.

In 2021, Dr Joseph was appointed as Cambridge University's First Lecturer in Black British History.

Corpus is delighted that the Brock JRF has played a supportive role in enabling Michael to secure this distinguished position.

A generous donation from the Zochonis Charitable Trust made in 2022 has enabled Corpus Christi College to contribute to the University's Black Academic Futures and Clarendon Scholars Programmes, which will enable highly talented Black-British and low-income graduate students to benefit from an Oxford education.



## Harnessing the power of graduate scholarships

With the continued generous support of our alumni and friends, the College remains committed to giving the world's brightest students the opportunity to benefit from the unique advantages of an Oxford education, regardless of their background or financial circumstances.

As state support dwindles, many graduate students are unable to take up their offers of study at Oxford for financial reasons. At Corpus Christi, 40% of last year's graduate student community were entirely self-funded or only partially funded through scholarships.

Therefore, in 2021 we welcomed the generosity of John Dubuque and Baron Lorne Thyssen, whose recent donations will be supporting two new DPhil scholars, in Philosophy and Classics respectively. The current social and political crises have underlined the need for the insights and reasoning skills that are inculcated by the study of humanities. Investment in a new generation of graduate students is therefore needed now more than ever.





*“I give to Corpus Christi College because my time at Corpus and Oxford was one of the best times of my life, full of happiness and promise.*

*Memories of things around the College bring up warm feelings of a unique time when we all felt like we could do anything and we had our whole lives ahead of us.*

*That nostalgia is triggered just by the thought of the TV room, the JCR, and the Library. These are the images that now and then come back to me, even in my dreams, and make me realise how lucky I was to end up as a Corpus student.”*

Mr Sarabjit Singh QC (Law 1997)  
Corpus' long-term supporter of  
outreach and access activities

## **Raising aspirations through outreach and access activities**

As the stories of some of our first generation students reveal, vision and determination are the hallmarks of success. The goal of our Access and Outreach work is to help as many young people as possible to achieve their ambitions.

In the academic year 2020/21, rising to the challenges presented by the pandemic, Corpus has adapted and delivered 178 events, interacting with students from 191 UK state schools. This represents approximately 4.5% of the UK's total number of state secondary schools and further education colleges. Within this, over 45 virtual school sessions have been held, reaching more than 1400 students.

We are also proud to report that Corpus was the fourth busiest college over the

**Your generosity helps to launch the next generation into a lifetime of intellectual adventure. Thank you for supporting Corpus.**



## Providing for the global citizens of tomorrow

Thanks to the generosity of our alumni and friends, we can assist with a wide variety of extra-curricular expenses to ensure our students thrive not only in their studies but in the holistic growth that comes outside of their academic work.

We've been able to help students hone their sporting prowess, further their intellectual encounters, and unfurl their creative side, enriching their student experience.

New kits for our sports teams, a brand-new rowing eight for the Boat Club, a JCR sewing machine, and new furniture for the MCR have all been funded from donations.

*“In Corpus our combined excellence and humility - a boldness in making the most of all pursuits whether academic or otherwise - and a warm, down-to-earth compassion, makes Corpus one of the most welcoming communities to which one can belong.”*

Nicole Yan Man,  
a Classicist in her final year

## Andrew's legacy lives on

A few years ago, Corpus Christi set itself the goal of endowing the Andrew Glyn Fellowship. Professor Glyn was a Fellow in Economics from 1969 to 2007 and is fondly remembered as an inspirational tutor who was taken before his time.

We were delighted to reach the target in late 2021. At a time of great uncertainty for the funding of higher education and research, assured funding of this post is of immeasurable value.



# THANK YOU

## Contact Us

**To ensure that we can continue to nurture the most talented and enthusiastic students and academics, regardless of their background, please consider supporting us today. By making a gift to the College, you can open up a world of opportunity for the next generations of Corpuscles. Please get in touch - we'd love to hear from you.**

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