

International Postgraduate Adviser Conference, 24 – 26 June 2025

Day 1: Introducing Cambridge (Tuesday 24 June)

UK Time	Session Title	Chair	Speaker(s)
16:00 – 16:30	Welcome to Cambridge	Roshan Walkerley	Mike Nicholson, Director of Recruitment, Admissions and Participation
16:30 – 16:45	Keynote Speech	Roshan Walkerley	Professor Bhaskar Vira, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education and Environmental Sustainability
16:45 – 17:00	BREAK		
17:00 – 17:45	Crafting a Cambridge Application	Melissa Abache	Melissa Abache, Senior Regional Manager, Student Admissions & Access Professor Ian Willis, Director of Postgraduate Admissions, Department of Geography Dr Rebecca Laemmle, Director of Postgraduate Admissions, Faculty of Classics
17:45 – 18:00	BREAK		
18:00 – 18:45	The Collegiate University: Postgraduate Student Support	Sarah Hales	Dr Duncan Needham, Dean and Senior Tutor, Darwin College 3–4 Cambridge Student Ambassadors
18:45 – 19:00	BREAK		
19:00 – 20:00	Postgraduate Student Experience at Cambridge	Sarah Hales	Sumouli Bhattacharjee, PG President, Cambridge Students' Union Mark Brian, Director of Sport Simon Fairclough, Director, Centre for Music Production Olivia Wheeler, Theatre Manager, ADC Theatre

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Day 2: Scholarships, Funding, and Support (Wednesday 25 June)

UK Time	Session Title	Chair	Speaker(s)
16:00 – 16:45	Introduction to Student Funding at Cambridge	Emily Ferris	Sally-Ann Gannon, Head of Student Funding and Fee Policy
16:45 – 17:00	BREAK		
17:00 – 17:30	The Cambridge Commonwealth European and International Trust (Cambridge Trust)	Emily Ferris	Dr Rachel Coupe, Deputy Director (Awards), Cambridge Trust
17:30 – 17:45	BREAK		
17:45 – 18:45	Gates Cambridge	Luis Perez	Jack Earl, Global Engagement Officer, Gates Cambridge Luisa Clarke, Programme Manager, Gates Cambridge
18:45 – 19:00	BREAK		
19:00 – 19:45	Short-term study at Cambridge: Junior Year Abroad and Semester Programmes	Luis Perez	Laura Fazenda, Assistant Director of International Programmes, Pembroke College Emily Tomlinson, Director of Admissions, Christ's College

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Day 3: Beyond Cambridge (Thursday 26 June)

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16:00 – 16:45	Cambridge Careers Service and Student Destinations	Ana-Maria Costea	Graham Philpott, Head of Careers, Cambridge Careers Service
16:45 – 17:00	BREAK		
17:00 – 17:45	Gates Cambridge scholar and alumni panel: Application to destination	Ana-Maria Costea	6 Gates Cambridge scholars and alumni
17:45 – 18:00	BREAK		
18:00 – 18:40	Sharing best practice		Nathan Lamb, Regional Manager (North America & Australasia)
18:40 – 19:00	Closing session: Future engagement and events		Nathan Lamb, Regional Manager (North America & Australasia)