Dear Student,

Prior to your arrival at Queens’ please allow me to introduce myself and to tell you a little about Queens’ College Library and our induction programme for new students. As a key component in your studies that will enhance your chances of academic success, it is important to make the most of the huge range of library/e-resources available to you as a Cambridge student. Queens’ College Library staff are keen, therefore, to help you to get off to a good start. I look forward to meeting you at your subject-specific library and e-resources induction session that has been scheduled for you in Freshers’ Week (please see the timetable to find out when your subject session will be). We will provide basic but crucial information on how to use the library and get started in finding books, electronic books/journals and other information relevant to your course. Further research skills sessions will be available later in the year. In the meantime it will help you to familiarise yourself with the following more practical points concerning Queens’ College Library:

- Opening hours are from 7am until 2 am in term time.
- You will need your University card for entry and exit, and to borrow books.
- Up to 10 books can be borrowed for up to 4 weeks using the self-issue system (overdue charges are added to College bills).
- Facilities include a photocopier/scanner, comb binding service and access to the internet from your laptop via the University’s wireless network.
- We aim to hold core Part One readings in all Tripos subjects. You are strongly encouraged to let us know if something necessary to your work is missing from our shelves.
- Most importantly, we are here to help! Please ask a librarian if you need assistance in using the library or locating information.
- For further information please see our library website: http://www.queens.cam.ac.uk/teaching-learning/library

Queens’ Library is a particularly attractive space (located in the College’s old fifteenth-century chapel) which we’re sure you will enjoy using and find conducive to study. In the meantime we hope you will enjoy the rest of your holiday and look forward to meeting you next month.

Tim Eggington
College Librarian
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