

## Visiting Rhodes House: FAQ for Scholar Alumni

### **Do I need to let anyone know I am visiting?**

For security reasons, letting us know in advance helps us to prepare the porter and reception teams for your arrival. If you are coming with guests for a tour, we definitely need to know to expect you to make sure there is a staff member available to facilitate. Please email [alumni@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk) and share your visit date(s). Please bring ID with you, and be prepared to sign in at the lodge so we are aware of your presence in the building.

### **What if I just turn up?**

You won't be turned away if you just show up, but it makes for a smoother experience if you let us know! If you are visiting a member of staff, it is almost always necessary to make an appointment, as not all members of staff are in Rhodes House every day.

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The building is a working and residential space and often hosts commercial events, so you may only be able to access certain parts of the House. If you are alone, you may be able to work in the Rosebery Room, but access to other areas of the building may be limited, due to other activities taking place. If you arrive unannounced, you can bring one guest to look around (not to study). More than one guest normally needs arranging in advance.

If you turn up on a weekend, there will likely not be a staff member available to show you around, but you would be able to access the building and look around yourself. Note that not all areas of the building will be available to you.

### **Can I stay?**

Yes! Rhodes House has 34 bedrooms available for Scholars and the public to stay in. Alumni get a 20% discount, so to make use of this please book by emailing [accommodation@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk](mailto:accommodation@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk) in advance of your visit.

### **Can I have a tour / bring guests?**

You are very welcome to bring guests for a pre-arranged tour and we are always happy to show you around Rhodes House on a weekday. Weekends are more challenging, as most staff are not working. Please let us know ([alumni@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk)) if you would like a tour and if you are bringing guests in advance, so we can make sure someone is available to show you around. If you are just coming to the house to study or use the shared spaces, we regret that guests are not permitted to join you.

**Can I book a meeting room?**

Unfortunately, meeting rooms are in limited number, and not available for Scholars to book.

**Can I work from Rhodes House?**

You are welcome to work quietly in the Rosebery Room (the library), but there isn't space available for group working or private zoom calls.

**I am going to be visiting regularly - Can I have an access card?**

Unfortunately, for security reasons an access card is not possible. You must sign in on arrival and out on departure at the lodge each time that you visit.

**If you are visiting, we'd love it if you could take 15 minutes for an interview for our Scholar Spotlight series. Contact [connect@rhodeshouse.ac.uk](mailto:connect@rhodeshouse.ac.uk) for more information and to let us know**