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## Chairman of China Oxford Scholarship Fund Visits Peking University

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**Peking University, Beijing, May 15th, 2007:** In the afternoon of May, 9th, Timothy Beardson, the Chairman of China Oxford Scholarship Fund visited Peking University with his wife. Xu Zhihong, the President of PKU met him in the VIP Room of the president office.

Mr. Beardson introduced the foundation briefly, explaining the arrangement of the scholarship and the way of selecting students. President Xu highly appraised the foundation for its contribution to the Sino-Britain cultural communication and declared the wills of PKU to help selecting talents for the foundation. President Xu introduced the actual situation of Chinese education and discussed on the publication of the foundation and promotion of the scholarship project with Mr. Beardson.

China Oxford Scholarship Fund was established in 1992 and dedicates itself to provide scholarship for the outstanding Chinese students, financing their postgraduate education in Oxford University and helping them play leading role in the rise of China after their returning to the homeland. The daily activities of the foundation include raising funds, selecting intellectual students and providing various help for the Chinese students in Oxford University. As the largest scholarship organization financing Chinese students in United Kingdom, the foundation aims to raise at least 25 million Pounds and offer more than 30 thousand Pounds as a scholarship to 20-25 students.

Every spring the foundation council sends application instructions to Peking University, Tsinghua University, Fudan University, and Shanghai Transportation University. The valid applications usually come from the Chinese residents who have been admitted by Oxford University as postgraduates (no requirements on major). The selecting standard includes excellent academic performance or achievement, the financial need, a good command of English, the determination to contribute to China, leading skill and outstanding personality.

The students who pass the primary selection procedure will have an interview in Beijing, Shenzhen or Hong Kong.

More information can be found at [www.chinaoxford.org](http://www.chinaoxford.org), or one can send email to [hk@chinaoxford.org](mailto:hk@chinaoxford.org) or [uk@chinaoxford.org](mailto:uk@chinaoxford.org).

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