



MAGDALEN  
COLLEGE

## DONATING SHARES

**Donating HMCR-recognised shares is one of the most tax-efficient ways of giving to Magdalen College:**

- ◆ You won't have to pay any Capital Gains Tax (CGT) on the shares you donate
- ◆ Higher rate (40%) taxpayers can claim income tax relief equal to 40% of the value of the gift and any associated costs, such as broker's fees
- ◆ Additional rate (45%) taxpayers can claim income tax relief equal to 45% of the value of the gift and any associated costs, such as broker's fees



### QUALIFYING STOCKS AND SHARES

Shares listed or traded on recognised stock exchanges worldwide (such as the London Stock Exchange) and the Alternative Investment Market (AIM), as well as units in UK-authorised unit trusts, shares in UK open-ended investment companies (OEICs), and holdings in foreign collective investment schemes recognised as equivalent to UK unit trusts and OEICs by HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC).

### EXAMPLE OF TAX-EFFICIENT DONATION (assuming 45% tax band)

**Market value of shares on day of donation:** **£50,000**

This is what Magdalen will receive as a donation

**Amount of income tax relief you can claim (45%):** **£22,500**

This is calculated as 45% of the donation (£50,000)

**Net cost of donation to you:** **£27,500**

In addition, there is no Capital Gains Tax to be paid\*

\*By donating shares instead of selling them, you not only receive income tax relief but also avoid paying 20% CGT. This could result in significant tax savings and enhances the overall tax benefit of the donation.

## HOW TO DONATE YOUR SHARES

### If you hold a share certificate:

If you have a physical copy of your certificate, please send this to:  
The Development Office, Magdalen College, Oxford, OX1 4AU

You will also need to send us a stock transfer form, which can be obtained from the company registrars where you have your shares (usually found on share certificate or on the company website).

### If you have an electronic record:

You might only have an electronic record of your shares. If so, your stockbroker can contact [development.office@magd.ox.ac.uk](mailto:development.office@magd.ox.ac.uk) to transfer your shares. We will need a reference number from your stockbroker and their contact details.

## LEAVING SHARES IN YOUR WILL TO MAGDALEN

Donating shares to Magdalen in your Will can be a tax-efficient and impactful way to leave a lasting legacy as shares have the potential to appreciate in value over time. Charitable donations of shares in your Will are exempt from Inheritance Tax (IHT). This means that the value of the shares will not be calculated in your estate for IHT, potentially reducing your overall tax liability. Your estate will also benefit from a CGT exemption on any capital gains that would have been payable if the shares were sold before distribution.

It is important to discuss your intentions with a financial advisor or solicitor when making your Will to ensure you are maximising the potential tax benefits.

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**For more information on remembering Magdalen in your Will, please contact: Anna Norman at [anna.norman@magd.ox.ac.uk](mailto:anna.norman@magd.ox.ac.uk) or call +44(0) 1865 276082**

**Before proceeding with a donation of shares, it is our strong recommendation that you consult with a financial planner or tax advisor to ensure you are maximising the tax benefits of your donation.**

Please note that due to administrative costs, we are only able to accept share donations with a value in excess of £5,000.



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