



# Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1859

1859 CHAPTER 19 22 and 23 Vict

## I Repeal of Duty to take Oath.

So much of the herein-before recited Act of Parliament, and of all Charters, Letters Patent, Orders in Council, Obligations, Deeds, or Instruments, as imposes upon the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, or any of them, or any Municipal Officer of the City of *Oxford*, the Obligation of taking any Oath for the Conservation of the Liberties and Privileges of the University of *Oxford*, or any such Oath as is herein-before referred to, shall be and the same is hereby repealed and annulled and made void.

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### Modifications etc. (not altering text)

C1 The “herein-before recited Act of Parliament” means [Oxford and Cambridge Act 1571 \(c. 29\)](#)

## II Prohibition of any Requisition to Mayor, &c. to take Oath.

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of *Oxford* shall not hereafter, nor shall any of them, nor shall any Municipal Officer of the City of *Oxford*, be required to take any Oath or to make any Declaration for the Conservation of the Liberties and Privileges of the University of *Oxford*: Provided always, that, notwithstanding anything herein contained, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of *Oxford*, and all Officers of the same City, shall observe and keep all manner of lawful Liberties and Customs which the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the said University have reasonably used, without any Gainsaying; saving nevertheless, the Fidelity of the said Mayor, Aldermen, Citizens, and Officers to the Queen’s Majesty, and saving also the Liberties and Privileges of Right belonging to the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, and to the Officers of the said City.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1859.