



# PhD Pioneers: The Living Experiences of The Open University's First PhD Graduates

## Oral History interview clip transcript

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## Professor Julia Goodfellow Interview

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In the sciences it more mattered what science you were doing. So I think they were more interested in the science. We had strong links, I mean the faculty did and we did, strong links with the university, we could use the library, we went to seminars in zoology and we had links through. We sort of got the best of both worlds. We got the best of the OU, because it was the early stages, the beginning of research as you know in the Open University. So they actually had quite a bit of money I think. They seemed to get what they wanted, so we had this new world, and then we also had the old world of Oxford. So it was just an amazing coming together of two things on that. But also it wasn't really the OU, I don't think I ever went to Milton Keynes the whole time I was in Oxford.