

Admissions tests 2017

Information for schools, colleges and test centres

Some universities require applicants to take an admissions test as part of their application. You need to ensure that you register your students for the test well before the given deadline. This flyer gives you an overview of admissions tests, all the important registration deadlines, and details about how to register your students.

Admissions tests	UK universities and courses ¹ requiring this test	Registration opens	Registration deadline	Test dates	Cost
BioMedical Admissions Test (BMAT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brighton and Sussex Medical School[†], Cambridge, Imperial, Keele University[†], Lancaster, Leeds, Oxford, UCL. Medicine, Biomedical Sciences, Dentistry and related courses. 	1 September	1 October Standard fee 15 October Higher (late) fee	Thursday 2 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard entry fee EU (including UK): £46 Rest of the world: £78 Additional late entry fee: £33²
Sixth Term Examination Paper (STEP Mathematics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cambridge and Warwick. Mathematics courses, including combined honours courses. May also be required for Chemical Engineering via Engineering, Computer Science, Data Science, Economics, Engineering and Natural Sciences courses. Other courses and universities encourage applicants to take STEP. Please visit university websites for more information. 	27 February	28 April Standard fee 12 May Higher (late) fee	STEP 1 8 June STEP 2 12 June STEP 3 22 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard entry fee per STEP paper: £49 Additional late entry fee per STEP paper: £18²
Test of Mathematics for University Admission³	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A number of higher education institutions accept the test. Please check admissionstesting.org/maths-test and university websites. Mathematics, Statistics, Computer Science and Financial Mathematics courses, including combined honours courses. 	1 September	1 October Standard fee 15 October Higher (late) fee	8 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard entry fee EU (including UK): £29 Rest of the world: £43 Additional late entry fee: £20²
University of Cambridge pre-interview assessments	<p>Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic Admissions Assessment (ASNCAA); Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Admissions Assessment (AMESAA); Economics Admissions Assessment (ECAA); Engineering Admissions Assessment (ENGAA); English Literature Admissions Test (ELAT); Geography Admissions Assessment (GAA); History Admissions Assessment (HAA); Human, Social, and Political Sciences Admissions Assessment (HSPSAA); Natural Sciences Admissions Assessment (NSAA); Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Admissions Assessment (PBSAA).</p>	1 September	15 October	Thursday 2 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No entry fee (some centres may charge an administrative fee).
University of Oxford admissions tests⁴	<p>Classics Admissions Test (CAT); English Literature Admissions Test (ELAT); History Aptitude Test (HAT); Mathematics Admissions Test (MAT); Modern Languages Admissions Test (MLAT); Oriental Languages Aptitude Test (OLAT); Philosophy Test; Physics Aptitude Test (PAT); Thinking Skills Assessment (TSA); Thinking Skills Assessment: Section 1 (TSA S1).</p>	1 September	15 October	Thursday 2 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No entry fee (some centres may charge an administrative fee).
Mathematics Admissions Test (MAT) for Imperial College London	<p>The MAT is also required for application to Imperial for all BSc and MSci Mathematics courses if applications are made before the MAT registration deadline and if applicants are taking A levels or IB. (For applications made after that, conditional offers for A level or IB candidates will involve STEP.)</p>				

¹ Students must check directly with the university to confirm which admissions test(s) they are required to take, as admissions tests requirements are subject to change.

² Fees are also payable in Euros and US Dollars.

³ The Test of Mathematics for University Admission is not compulsory; however, a good performance on this test may result in a reduced offer from institutions that accept results.

⁴ These tests are developed by the University of Oxford and administered by Cambridge Assessment Admissions Testing, with the exception of ELAT and TSA, which are developed and administered by Cambridge Assessment Admissions Testing.

* International applicants (those who are not ordinarily resident in the UK or EU) to Brighton and Sussex Medical School are not required to sit BMAT.

[†] Applies to 'overseas for fees' applicants only.

Where do your students take their admissions test(s)?*

Your students can take an admissions test at your own school or college, if it's registered as an authorised test centre.

If your school/college is not already an authorised test centre, see 'Becoming a test centre' below.

Becoming a test centre

Schools can apply to become an authorised test centre at: admissionstestingservice.org/become-a-centre

The final deadline to apply to become a test centre for November 2017 tests is 30 September 2017.

Step 1:

Provide us with information about your institution, using our online form:

admissionstestingservice.org/help/centre-approval-request

Step 2:

We will contact you with information about your application. If successful, we will provide you with log-in details for the Entries Extranet and Results Online websites:

entries.cambridgeassessment.org

results.cambridgeassessment.org.uk/centres

Once authorised, you can then register your students as test candidates.

* Arrangements for taking BMAT – September are different. Find out more at admissionstestingservice.org/bmat-september

Registering your students

Make sure you register your students well before the test registration deadline dates. In most cases, if your school/college misses the final deadline and your students can't take the test, the university will not consider their application.

Step 1:

Collect the student's details, using the relevant form provided on our website. General instructions can be found at: admissionstestingservice.org/how-to-register

Step 2:

Log in to the Entries Extranet and enter the student's details from the form. Once the student has been registered, make a note of their candidate number.

Step 3:

Give the student their candidate number, as confirmation they're registered.

Some students may need to take more than one admissions test. Your school/college will need to register the student separately for each admissions test.

Preparation

Our admissions tests do not require a lot of extra study – they test skills and knowledge that your students are expected to have already.

We provide a range of **free** preparation resources on our website, such as sample papers, past papers, test specifications and suggested further reading. It is not necessary to pay for an admissions test preparation course or additional material(s) to succeed in an admissions test.

Access Arrangements

Access Arrangements are available to test-takers who have a disability or special requirement and are entitled to support for other exams. More information can be found at: admissionstestingservice.org/useful-documents

About Cambridge Assessment Admissions Testing

Cambridge Assessment Admissions Testing offers a range of tests to support selection and recruitment for higher education, professional organisations and governments around the world. Underpinned by robust and rigorous research, our assessments include:

- assessments in thinking skills
- admissions tests for medicine and healthcare
- behavioural styles assessment
- subject-specific admissions tests.

We are part of a not-for-profit department of the University of Cambridge.

Useful links

admissionstestingservice.org

admissionstestingservice.org/administering-our-tests

admissionstestingservice.org/help

All details are correct as of June 2017.

Please check admissionstestingservice.org for the latest information, as admissions tests requirements are subject to change.