



OXBRIDGE APPLICATION PREPARATION

YEAR 12 JUNE 2022

Key dates

- 30th Sept Deadline for Admissions Test registration
- 15th October Deadline for UCAS application
- 18th/19th October Cambridge Admissions Tests and BMAT
- 2nd November Oxford Admissions Tests (except BMAT)
- 28th Nov -20th Dec Interviews
- January: DECISIONS!

OXFORD OR CAMBRIDGE?

- COURSE CHOICE?
- A LEVEL REQUIREMENTS?
- COURSE POPULARITY?
- ENTRANCE TEST?
- HAVE YOU SENT FOR HARD COPY PROSPECTUSES?
- HAVE YOU VISITED THE CITIES?
- WILL YOU NEED TO SUBMIT EXAMPLES OF YOUR WORK?

UCAS statement differences

- Neither Oxford nor Cambridge care about extra-curricular!
- Other universities don't see which universities you apply to so your statement must work for all your courses.
- Cambridge has a Supplementary Information Form (SAQ) to help you if their course is different from the others you are applying for.

Teacher references

- Please make sure your teachers THIS YEAR know what course and university you are applying for!
- Please make sure your teachers know what extra reading, research etc. you have carried out to support your application.

COLLEGE CHOICE

- OPEN APPLICATIONS- we have had no success with these
- PERCENTAGES OF STATE SCHOOL STUDENTS?
- OFFERs YOUR SUBJECT?
- TOURISTY APPEARANCE AND LOCATION?
- ACCOMMODATION ALL 3 YEARS?
- NEW OR OLD?
- SINGLE SEX?

Your summer preparation

- Develop your passion
- Set aside time equivalent to an hour a day
- Choose your course then know it inside out
- <https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/courses>

ACTIVE READING

- Do you embrace difficulty?
- If you're not enjoying it can you analyse why?
- Are you reflective?
- Do you have a reading routine?
- Are you keeping a preparation diary?

Summary: what you need to do

- Choose your university and course and college
- Finish your draft UCAS statement
- Active reading- keep a diary
- Past papers- mark them and work on your areas of weakness
- Timetable your preparation



How we will support you

- Top references and predicted grades
 - Mock Admissions tests
 - Admissions Tests sat in school
 - One to one guidance
 - Interview practice- more than one if possible.
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