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## Where can I find out more?

About the HAT:  
[admissionstestingservice.org/hat](http://admissionstestingservice.org/hat)

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Any updates or changes can be found on the HAT website.

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## Key dates for the HAT 2017

Registration opens:

1 September

Requests for modified question papers:

By 30 September

**Registration deadline:**

15 October by 18.00 BST

*This is the same date as the UCAS application deadline*

**Test date:**

2 November

**Results:**

The test is marked by the University of Oxford. You are not automatically sent your test results, but you may request your score as part of the usual University of Oxford feedback process.

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# HAT

HISTORY APTITUDE TEST



Guide for students 2017

Register by 15 October 2017

## The History Aptitude Test (HAT)

You need to take the HAT if you are applying to study any of the following undergraduate courses at the University of Oxford:

- History (V100)
- History (Ancient and Modern) (V118)
- History and Economics (LV11)
- History and English (VQ13)
- History and Politics (LV21)
- all History and Modern Languages courses.

If you are applying for a joint course, you may also need to take a separate test in your other subject. You can confirm this at: [ox.ac.uk/tests](http://ox.ac.uk/tests)

The test is only one part of the overall application process.

### What's in the test?

The HAT is a 2-hour written test. For detailed information about the test content and structure, please visit the Faculty of History's website: [history.ox.ac.uk](http://history.ox.ac.uk)

The HAT is a test of your skills, not specific historical knowledge. It is designed to be equally challenging to all students – no matter which period(s) of history you have been studying, or which school exams you are taking.

## Where do I take the HAT?

If you are currently attending school or college, you can normally take the test at your school: check with your Exams Officer. If your school is not already registered as a centre, they can apply to become a test centre – even if you are the only person taking a test. [admissionstestingservice.org/become-a-centre](http://admissionstestingservice.org/become-a-centre)

Once they are a test centre, they will then need to register you as a test candidate separately.

We advise that you take the test at school, if possible, rather than at an alternative authorised test centre. These centres may charge an administration fee.

If you are not attending school or college, you may be able to take the test at your old school: check with the Exams Officer. If this is not possible, you will need to find an authorised test centre where you can take the test. [admissionstestingservice.org/find-a-centre](http://admissionstestingservice.org/find-a-centre)

### When do I register?

Your centre needs to register you. Registration opens on 1 September 2017 and closes on 15 October 2017.

**This is done separately from your UCAS application.**

You must give your centre your name, date of birth and UCAS number exactly as they have been entered on your UCAS application.

As late registrations are not accepted, ask your centre to register you for the HAT **well before the registration deadline.**

## How much does the test cost?

You don't need to pay a test entry fee.

### What if I need Access Arrangements?

Access Arrangements are available if you have a disability or special requirement, and are normally entitled to support for exams.

You need to inform your centre of any special requirements when they register you for the test. They will ask for full details and a copy of your medical evidence. Requests for modified question papers must be submitted by your centre by 30 September 2017.

### How do I prepare for the HAT?

Doing practice papers in timed conditions is an excellent way to prepare and gets you used to the test format and question style. You can find past papers and marking schemes on the Faculty of History's website: [history.ox.ac.uk](http://history.ox.ac.uk)