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Where can I find out more?

The MAT is developed and used by the University of Oxford, and administered by Cambridge Assessment Admissions Testing. Imperial College London also uses the test.

About the MAT:
admissionstestingservice.org/mat

Admissions testing support:
admissionstestingservice.org/help

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

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Key dates for the MAT 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 for the University of Oxford

Test date:

2 November

Results:

If you would like to know your test results:

For the University of Oxford – please ask the relevant Oxford college as part of Oxford's usual feedback process.

For Imperial College London – please ask the Maths department as part of Imperial's usual feedback process.

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MATHEMATICS ADMISSIONS TEST

University of Oxford & Imperial College London



Guide for students 2017

Register by 15 October 2017

The Mathematics Admissions Test (MAT)

The MAT is used for entry to the following courses:

- by the University of Oxford, for undergraduate Mathematics or Computer Science courses, including joint degrees
- by Imperial College London, for all undergraduate courses in Mathematics.

See a full list of courses that require the MAT at: admissionstestingservice.org/mat

As well as being an entry requirement, taking the MAT is a chance for you to show that you have what it takes to succeed in your chosen subject.

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

Imperial College London uses the MAT for all of its undergraduate Mathematics course applicants.

**Imperial College
London**

What's in the test?

The MAT is a 2-hour 30-minute written test. It includes some questions to test your mathematical ability, and, if applicable, questions to test your aptitude for Computer Science.

The MAT aims to test the depth of your mathematical understanding, rather than the breadth of your knowledge. It has been designed to be approachable by all students, including those without Further Mathematics A Level or from other educational systems. The questions you need to answer depend on the university and course you are applying for. You can

see examples of this in the sample/past papers, which are available on the universities' websites. Please be aware these instructions may change, so always read the rubric on the front of the paper carefully before you start. Further credit cannot be gained by attempting questions other than those appropriate to the degree applied for.

No calculators, formula sheets or dictionaries are permitted during the test.

Where do I take the MAT?

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

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

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 are entered on your UCAS application.

As late registrations are not accepted, ask your centre to register you for the test **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 MAT?

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 download these from the websites below:

Mathematical Institute (Oxford):
maths.ox.ac.uk

Department of Computer Science (Oxford):
cs.ox.ac.uk/ug/apply

Department of Mathematics (Imperial):
imperial.ac.uk/mathematics/undergraduate