



Key dates for 2016

Registration opens:

1 September

Requests for access arrangements:

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

The Admissions Testing Service is part of Cambridge English Language Assessment, a not-for-profit department of the University of Cambridge.



Where can I find out more?

Admissions testing support:

www.admissionstestingservice.org/help

About the pre-interview assessments:

www.admissionstestingservice.org/cam-assessments

www.cam.ac.uk/assessment

University of Cambridge pre-interview assessments



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Guide for students 2016

Register by 15 October 2016

About the pre-interview assessments for the University of Cambridge

For certain undergraduate courses at the University of Cambridge, you need to take a pre-interview assessment as part of your application. The courses using the pre-interview assessments are:

- Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic
- Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
- Chemical Engineering via Engineering/Natural Sciences
- Economics
- Engineering
- English
- Geography
- History
- History and Modern Languages*
- History and Politics
- Human, Social, and Political Sciences
- Medicine
- Natural Sciences
- Psychological and Behavioural Sciences
- Theology, Religion and Philosophy of Religion
- Veterinary Medicine.

The pre-interview assessment is only one part of the overall application process.

Assessment arrangements for mature applicants vary – please check the University of Cambridge website for details: www.cam.ac.uk/assessment

When do I take the assessment?

You take the assessment on 2 November 2016. This is the only test date.

* If you are applying for History and Modern Languages, you will take both the History pre-interview assessment and the MML at-interview assessment.

Where do I take the assessment?

If you are currently attending a school or college: ask your exams officer if the school can administer the assessment for you. If your school or college is not already registered as a centre, they can apply to become a test centre at: www.admissionstestingservice.org/become-a-centre

Once they are a centre, they will then need to register you for the assessment separately.

If you are not attending a school or college: you can enquire if your old school is willing to let you take the assessment there. If this is not possible, you will need to find an authorised test centre where you can sit the assessment. Find your nearest centre at: www.admissionstestingservice.org/find-a-centre

When do I register?

You cannot register yourself for the assessment – your test centre needs to register you. Registration opens on 1 September 2016 and closes on 15 October 2016. **This is done separately from your UCAS application.**

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

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

Please note: The University of Cambridge will require **at-interview** written assessments for some courses. If you're applying for a course with an at-interview assessment, no advance registration is required, as these arrangements will be made by the interviewing College. Please visit the University of Cambridge website at www.cam.ac.uk/assessment or email assessment@admin.cam.ac.uk if you have any queries.

How much does the assessment cost?

If you're applying for Medicine or Veterinary Medicine courses, you are required to take the BioMedical Admissions Test (BMAT), for which you need to pay a registration fee.

Visit the BMAT section of our website for information about registration dates and costs: www.admissionstestingservice.org/bmat

There is no registration fee for any of the other Cambridge pre-interview assessments.

However, if you are using an Admissions Testing Service authorised centre, you may need to pay your test centre an administrative fee, so it's always best to check with your school or college first if they can administer the test.

What if I need access arrangements?

You need to inform your centre of any special requirements (e.g. diagnosed visual or learning difficulties) by 30 September 2016.

Your centre will ask for full details and advise you on the arrangements which are available, such as large-print papers or extra working time.

How do I prepare for the assessment?

Content specifications with example questions can be found on each individual course page of the University of Cambridge website. Sample papers will be available in the same locations in July 2016. For links to the pre-interview assessments page and specific course pages, visit: www.cam.ac.uk/assessment

How do I get my results?

BMAT and English Literature Admissions Test (ELAT) results will be available to centres and candidates through the Admissions Testing Service's secure Results Online system. Please visit the BMAT or ELAT sections of www.admissionstestingservice.org for results release dates.

For all other pre-interview assessments: an indication of performance in the written assessment will be included as part of the feedback about unsuccessful candidates.