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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 and the University of Warwick also use the test.

About the MAT:  
[admissionstestingservice.org/mat](http://admissionstestingservice.org/mat)

Admissions testing support:  
[admissionstestingservice.org/help](http://admissionstestingservice.org/help)

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[maths.ox.ac.uk](http://maths.ox.ac.uk)  
[ox.ac.uk/tests](http://ox.ac.uk/tests)

Imperial College London  
[imperial.ac.uk/mathematics](http://imperial.ac.uk/mathematics)

University of Warwick  
[warwick.ac.uk/math](http://warwick.ac.uk/math)

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

## Key dates for the MAT 2018

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:

31 October

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 and the University of Warwick – please ask the Maths department as part of the usual feedback process.



# MAT

MATHEMATICS ADMISSIONS TEST

University of Oxford, Imperial College London  
& University of Warwick



## 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
- by the University of Warwick\*, for Mathematics and Master of Mathematics degrees.

See a full list of courses that require the MAT at: [admissionstestingservice.org/mat](http://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**

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



The University of Warwick\* uses the MAT for its Mathematics BSc (G100) and Master of Mathematics (G103) degree applicants.

### 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 is set with the aim of being approachable by all students, including those without Further Mathematics A-level, and those from other educational systems (e.g. Baccalaureate and Scottish Highers). It aims to test the depth of mathematical understanding of a student in the fourth term of their A-levels (or equivalent) rather than a breadth of knowledge.

\* Taking a test for Warwick is not compulsory, but applicants are encouraged to take the MAT, STEP or Test of Mathematics for University Admission.

The mathematical knowledge and techniques required are taken from a syllabus roughly corresponding to the content of AS-level Mathematics. A complete syllabus can be found online at: [maths.ox.ac.uk](http://maths.ox.ac.uk).

Question 1 on the test is multiple choice. Questions 2-7 are longer, and candidates will need to show their working. Candidates should each attempt four questions from 2-7, the selection depending on the degree for which they are applying. Details of which questions you should attempt are given on the front page of the test and throughout the paper. 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?

**You must take the test at a registered test centre.**

Your school or college may already be a test centre – check with your Exams Officer. Please note, your school or college may charge an administration fee.

If you are not able to take the test at school or college, you need to find an authorised open test centre where you can take the test. These centres usually charge an administration fee.

[admissionstestingservice.org/find-a-centre](http://admissionstestingservice.org/find-a-centre)

If your school or college 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. The deadline for applications to become a centre is 30 September.

[admissionstestingservice.org/become-a-centre](http://admissionstestingservice.org/become-a-centre)

### How and when do I register?

**You need to be registered as a candidate by the test centre.**

Please ask the Exams Officer at your centre to register you. Please also ask for your candidate entry number as proof that your registration is complete.

Your centre needs to register you by 15 October 2018. Registration opens on 1 September 2018, so speak to your centre as early as possible. As late registrations are not accepted, ask your centre to register you for the MAT **well before the registration deadline. 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.

### How much does the test cost?

You don't need to pay a test entry fee but centres may charge an administration 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 2018.

### 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 find resources on these websites:

Mathematical Institute (Oxford):  
[maths.ox.ac.uk](http://maths.ox.ac.uk)

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

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

Mathematics Institute (Warwick):  
[warwick.ac.uk/math](http://warwick.ac.uk/math)