

ENTRANCE EXAM INFORMATION

Several universities use admissions tests as part of the selection process. You have to register online to sit these tests. The tests are very demanding, so make sure you research them in good time and prepare for them. Speak to your guidance teacher if you need any help to do this. Some further information can be found here: [University Admissions Tests | UCAS | UKCAT, BMAT, LNAT And More](#)

While there are costs to most of the assessments, there is also bursary support available. You should refer to the individual assessment websites for further details.

UCAT: is used by all Scottish Medical and Dental Schools as well as many English universities – check online at www.ucat.ac.uk

Please note: UCAT registration opens in May and online booking opens in June for applicants and closes in September. In 2025, the final date to register and book the 2025 UCAT is the 19th September 2025. It costs £70 to book.

Please consult the UCAT website where there is a huge amount of information, as well as practice tests, question banks, tutorials and guides/plans.

LNAT: is used by Oxford and also Glasgow University for entry to Law, as well as a few other universities. Check online at [Do I need to sit the test? | LNAT](#) to see which ones. The LNAT website also gives information about registration and assessment dates. Dates vary dependent on the university that an applicant is applying to. [Dates and deadlines | LNAT](#). It costs £75 to book.

PAT: is used by Oxford for everyone who applies to study physics or physics and philosophy at Oxford. There is no charge to sit Oxford's admissions assessments. In 2025, the dates to sit the PAT are the 22 and 23rd October 2025. More information, past papers and support can be found here. [Physics Aptitude Test \(PAT\) | University of Oxford Department of Physics](#)

ESAT: is used by specific English universities (Durham University, Imperial College London, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of Cambridge, University of Warwick, UCL) for entry to Mathematics and Engineering courses. In 2025, test sitting dates are the 9th and 10th October 2025, followed by the 6th and 7th January 2026. It costs £75 to book. More information can be found at [ESAT – UAT UK](#)

TMUA: Is used by several English universities for Mathematics, Economics and Computer Science courses. In 2025, test sitting dates are the 13th and 14th October 2025, followed by the 8th and 9th January 2026. It costs £75 to book. More information can be found at [TMUA – UAT UK](#)

University College London: For 2026 entry, UCL is introducing a new admissions test for various mathematics and social science programmes. UCL will require all applicants to sit the TARA (Test of Academic Reasoning for Admissions) run by University Admissions Tests UK. It is expected to cost around £75. More information can be found at [TARA – UAT UK](#)