



# GRADUATE ADMISSIONS STATISTICS

## ENTRY 2019–20

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The statistics in this document refer to candidates who applied for admission to graduate courses starting in the academic year 2019–20.

Candidates can apply for more than one graduate course in the same admissions cycle, so the number of applications submitted exceeds the number of individuals who applied in any particular year.

[www.ox.ac.uk/grad-stats](http://www.ox.ac.uk/grad-stats)

Image (top): Ahmad el-Naggar (MBA)

## OVERVIEW

Applications for graduate study have increased by around 75% over the last ten years, up from 17,500 applications for 2009–10 entry to over 30,000 for 2019–20 entry.

The University's graduate student community has also grown over the last ten years to more than 11,000 graduate students in 2019, comprising half of Oxford's student body.



**9,886** applications (32.0%) were for graduate research degrees

**20,975** applications (68.0%) were for graduate taught degrees

# DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS AND FACULTIES

The University of Oxford's academic departments and faculties are organised into four academic divisions and the Department for Continuing Education.

Taught programmes include the majority of Oxford's one- and two-year masters' courses and its postgraduate diplomas and certificates. Research programmes are primarily DPhil (PhD) and MSc by Research courses.

Offer statistics include all conditional or unconditional offers made by academic departments or faculties of the University of Oxford.

Acceptance statistics represent candidates who completed all admissions processes and were ready to enrol.

Division	Applications	Offers	Acceptances
Department for Continuing Education	1,550	711	574
Humanities	4,361	1,603	824
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences	6,693	1,571	990
Medical Sciences	3,662	805	570
Social Sciences	14,595	4,523	2,757
<b>Total, all divisions</b>	<b>30,861</b>	<b>9,213</b>	<b>5,715</b>

Division	Research			Taught		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Department for Continuing Education	123	26	23	1,427	685	551

Humanities Division						
Ancient History & Classical Archaeology	29	15	6	43	23	14
Classical Languages & Literature	35	23	10	91	56	27
English	235	99	28	561	150	100
History	324	175	69	772	302	154
Interdisciplinary	0	0	0	305	59	35
Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics	31	7	3	119	39	22
Medieval & Modern Languages	77	50	19	109	85	45
Music	50	22	13	92	48	30
Oriental Studies	117	41	23	331	113	65
Philosophy	164	44	21	341	82	44
Ruskin School of Art	74	5	4	132	26	19
Theology & Religion	107	40	22	222	99	51
<b>Total, Humanities Division</b>	<b>1,243</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>3,118</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>606</b>

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences (MPLS) Division						
Chemistry: Chemical Biology	40	16	6	0	0	0
Chemistry: Inorganic Chemistry	122	72	40	0	0	0
Chemistry: Organic Chemistry	228	58	31	0	0	0
Computer Science	443	106	63	926	169	129
Doctoral Training Centre	398	83	63	0	0	0
Earth Sciences	37	13	7	0	0	0
Engineering Science	727	221	141	113	32	27
Environmental Research DTP	158	28	24	0	0	0
Materials	247	94	60	0	0	0
Mathematical Institute	551	87	64	1,200	256	139
Physics: Astrophysics	118	24	13	0	0	0
Physics: Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics	29	9	7	0	0	0
Physics: Atomic and Laser Physics	62	29	18	0	0	0

Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences (MPLS) Division						
Physics: Condensed Matter Physics	101	27	18	0	0	0
Physics: Particle Physics	86	28	21	0	0	0
Physics: Theoretical Physics	208	21	13	0	0	0
Physical and Theoretical Chemistry	52	35	24	42	10	10
Plant Sciences	32	7	2	0	0	0
Statistics	154	35	16	532	67	36
Zoology	87	44	18	0	0	0
<b>Total, MPLS Division</b>	<b>3,880</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>2,813</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>341</b>

Medical Sciences Division						
Biochemistry	144	31	21	0	0	0
Clinical Medicine	226	69	56	233	31	24
Clinical Neurosciences	67	36	23	41	34	28
Clinical Psychology - DClinPsych	0	0	0	26	25	25
Doctoral Training Centre	402	49	40	0	0	0
Experimental Psychology	82	29	16	153	16	14
Neuroscience	0	0	0	416	31	22
Oncology	172	40	24	52	17	10
Orthopaedics, Rheumatology and Musculoskeletal Sciences	179	28	25	1	1	1
Paediatrics	26	10	4	0	0	0
Pathology	128	13	12	0	0	0
Pharmacology	29	13	10	93	33	22
Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics	62	30	22	0	0	0
Population Health	146	35	20	352	32	22
Primary Care	34	11	6	0	0	0
Psychiatry	53	22	10	45	29	24
Radcliffe Department of Medicine	277	39	27	0	0	0
Surgical Sciences	20	13	10	99	30	20
Women's and Reproductive Health	38	21	13	66	37	19
<b>Total, Medical Sciences Division</b>	<b>2,085</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>1,577</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>231</b>

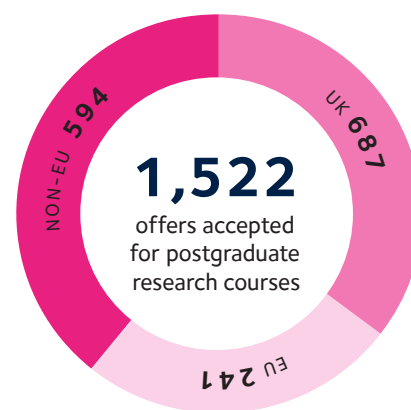
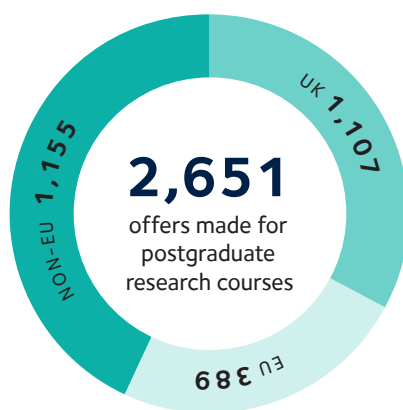
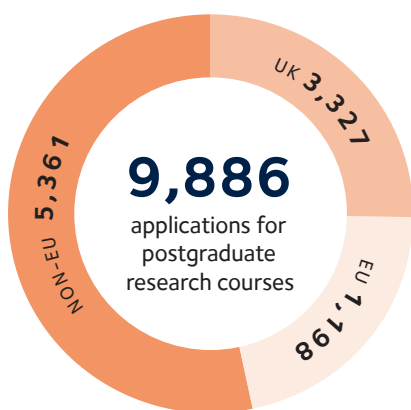
Social Sciences Division						
Anthropology and Museum Ethnography	189	65	28	331	123	76
Archaeology	75	45	21	115	67	35
Area Studies	76	18	5	543	236	144
Blavatnik School of Government	143	8	7	811	219	124
Economics	187	49	14	620	170	76
Education	160	35	18	1,247	517	395
Geography and the Environment	157	60	31	818	159	106
International Development	171	37	19	1,159	231	142
Law	609	121	79	1,655	426	293
Oxford Internet Institute	212	19	14	762	99	58
Politics and International Relations	314	66	31	576	127	80
Saïd Business School	105	10	3	2,883	1,427	847
Social Policy and Intervention	71	18	11	373	82	53
Sociology	86	27	12	147	62	35
<b>Total, Social Sciences Division</b>	<b>2,555</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>12,040</b>	<b>3,945</b>	<b>2,464</b>

<b>TOTAL, ALL DIVISIONS</b>	<b>9,886</b>	<b>2,651</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>20,975</b>	<b>6,562</b>	<b>4,193</b>
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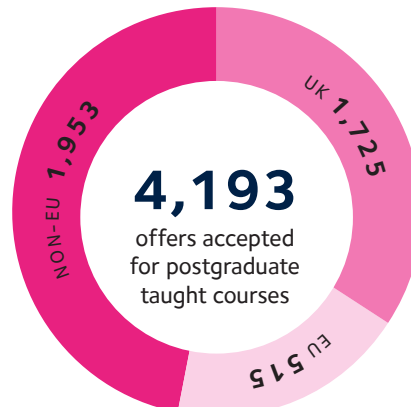
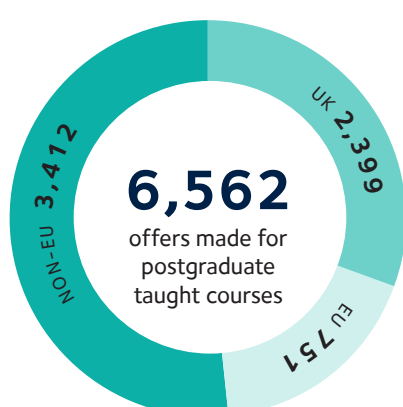
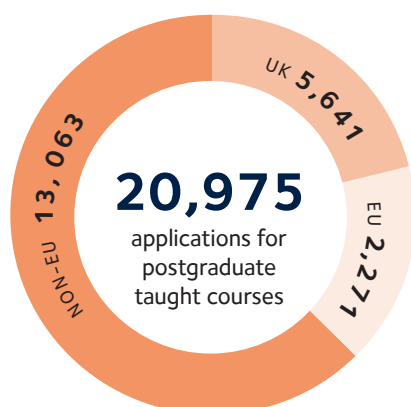
# DOMICILE

		UK			EU, outside UK			Non-EU countries		
		Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Department for Continuing Education	Research	36	15	14	8	6	5	79	5	4
	Taught	659	380	334	136	61	47	632	244	170
	<b>Total</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>174</b>
Humanities Division	Research	467	257	109	157	67	30	619	197	79
	Taught	1,210	552	332	329	106	72	1,579	424	202
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,677</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>2,198</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>281</b>
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division	Research	1,473	422	305	508	157	107	1,899	458	237
	Taught	749	184	143	384	103	64	1,680	247	134
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,222</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>3,579</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>371</b>
Medical Sciences Division	Research	782	202	143	217	70	52	1,086	217	144
	Taught	412	109	95	140	26	21	1,025	181	115
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,194</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>259</b>
Social Sciences Division	Research	569	211	116	308	89	47	1,678	278	130
	Taught	2,611	1,174	821	1,282	455	311	8,147	2,316	1,332
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,180</b>	<b>1,385</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>1,590</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>9,825</b>	<b>2,594</b>	<b>1,462</b>
<b>Total, all divisions</b>	Research	3,327	1,107	687	1,198	389	241	5,361	1,155	594
	Taught	5,641	2,399	1,725	2,271	751	515	13,063	3,412	1,953
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8,968</b>	<b>3,506</b>	<b>2,412</b>	<b>3,469</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>18,424</b>	<b>4,567</b>	<b>2,547</b>

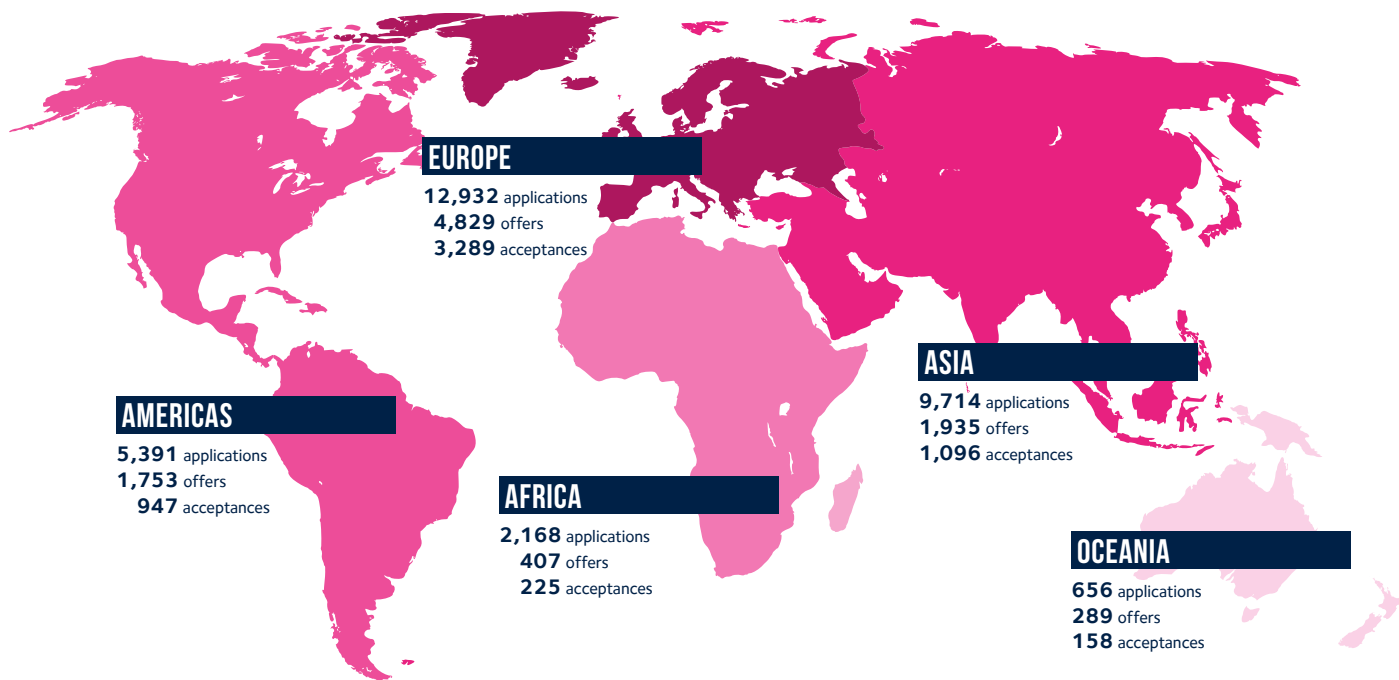
## POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH: APPLICATIONS, OFFERS, ACCEPTANCES



## POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT: APPLICATIONS, OFFERS, ACCEPTANCES



Region	Research			Taught			Total, research + taught		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Africa	555	73	31	1,613	334	194	2,168	407	225
Americas	1,369	350	159	4,022	1,403	788	5,391	1,753	947
Asia	3,085	603	336	6,629	1,332	760	9,714	1,935	1,096
Europe	4,678	1,541	957	8,254	3,288	2,332	12,932	4,829	3,289
Oceania	199	84	39	457	205	119	656	289	158
<b>Total, worldwide</b>	<b>9,886</b>	<b>2,651</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>20,975</b>	<b>6,562</b>	<b>4,193</b>	<b>30,861</b>	<b>9,213</b>	<b>5,715</b>



## SEX\*

\* Statistics based on declared data at time of application

		Female			Male		
		Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Department for Continuing Education	Research	73	15	14	50	11	9
	Taught	841	379	309	586	306	242
	<b>Total</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>251</b>
Humanities Division	Research	572	237	95	671	284	123
	Taught	1,782	570	334	1,336	512	272
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>2,007</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>395</b>
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division	Research	1,156	328	193	2,724	709	456
	Taught	817	133	91	1,996	401	250
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,973</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>4,720</b>	<b>1,110</b>	<b>706</b>
Medical Sciences Division	Research	1,156	270	185	929	219	154
	Taught	990	201	154	587	115	77
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,146</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>1,516</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>231</b>
Social Sciences Division	Research	1,240	287	140	1,315	291	153
	Taught	6,221	2,039	1,291	5,819	1,906	1,173
	<b>Total</b>	<b>7,461</b>	<b>2,326</b>	<b>1,431</b>	<b>7,134</b>	<b>2,197</b>	<b>1,326</b>
<b>Total, all divisions</b>	Research	4,197	1,137	627	5,689	1,514	895
	Taught	10,651	3,322	2,179	10,324	3,240	2,014
	<b>Total</b>	<b>14,848</b>	<b>4,459</b>	<b>2,806</b>	<b>16,013</b>	<b>4,754</b>	<b>2,909</b>

# DISABILITY\*

\* Statistics based on declared data at time of application

		One or more disabilities declared		
		Apps	Offers	Accept
Department for Continuing Education	Research	8	1	1
	Taught	141	63	56
	<b>Total</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>57</b>
Humanities Division	Research	172	80	36
	Taught	422	174	104
	<b>Total</b>	<b>594</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>140</b>
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division	Research	302	90	76
	Taught	146	34	27
	<b>Total</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>103</b>
Medical Sciences Division	Research	162	43	31
	Taught	127	25	24
	<b>Total</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>55</b>
Social Sciences Division	Research	198	69	40
	Taught	800	313	234
	<b>Total</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>274</b>
<b>Total, all divisions</b>	Research	842	283	184
	Taught	1,636	609	445
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,478</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>629</b>

# ETHNICITY\*

\* Statistics based on declared data at time of application

## All domiciles

	Research			Taught			Total, taught + research		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Asian	3,281	684	385	7,305	1,630	978	10,586	2,314	1,363
Black	521	56	26	1,623	377	230	2,144	433	256
Mixed	548	152	85	1,255	438	273	1,803	590	358
Other	577	92	54	1,009	296	170	1,586	388	224
White	4,429	1,528	883	8,608	3,500	2,372	13,037	5,028	3,255
Not known	530	139	89	1,175	321	170	1,705	460	259
<b>Total, all ethnic groups</b>	<b>9,886</b>	<b>2,651</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>20,975</b>	<b>6,562</b>	<b>4,193</b>	<b>30,861</b>	<b>9,213</b>	<b>5,715</b>

## UK domicile only

	Research			Taught			Total, taught + research		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Asian	458	98	61	798	271	208	1,256	369	269
Black	75	10	8	194	74	49	269	84	57
Mixed	170	53	30	342	147	110	512	200	140
Other	94	20	13	149	65	45	243	85	58
White	2,371	873	539	3,621	1,688	1,235	5,992	2,561	1,774
Not known	159	53	36	537	154	78	696	207	114
<b>Total, all ethnic groups (UK domicile only)</b>	<b>3,327</b>	<b>1,107</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>5,641</b>	<b>2,399</b>	<b>1,725</b>	<b>8,968</b>	<b>3,506</b>	<b>2,412</b>

# COLLEGES

	Research	Taught	All
<b>Colleges</b>			
All Souls	1	1	2
Balliol	81	79	160
Brasenose	25	64	89
Christ Church	40	47	87
Corpus Christi	22	18	40
Exeter	40	62	102
Green Templeton	47	208	255
Harris Manchester	8	57	65
Hertford	36	64	100
Jesus	37	47	84
Keble	56	183	239
Kellogg	57	439	496
Lady Margaret Hall	39	101	140
Linacre	98	103	201
Lincoln	59	68	127
Magdalen	30	46	76
Mansfield	22	54	76
Merton	29	46	75
New	35	80	115
Nuffield	17	10	27
Oriel	23	58	81
Pembroke	18	70	88
Queen's, The	32	40	72
St Anne's	34	111	145
St Antony's	50	237	287
St Catherine's	49	129	178
St Cross	75	190	265
St Edmund Hall	46	72	118
St Hilda's	23	59	82
St Hugh's	46	187	233
St John's	50	24	74
St Peter's	27	55	82
Somerville	38	66	104
Trinity	25	22	47
University	38	47	85
Wadham	23	60	83
Wolfson	113	109	222
Worcester	23	53	76
<b>Permanent Private Halls</b>			
Blackfriars	5	15	20
Campion Hall	0	2	2
Regent's Park College	5	44	49
St Benet's Hall	0	27	27
St Stephen's House	0	35	35
Wycliffe Hall	0	16	16
Ripon College Cuddesdon	0	4	4
<b>Non-matriculated students</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>684</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>4,193</b>	<b>5,715</b>

All graduate students at the University of Oxford are members of both an academic department and one of the University's colleges, except for non-matriculated students.

Non-matriculated students are students on specific postgraduate certificate and diploma courses, usually within the Department for Continuing Education, who do not have a college affiliation and do not attend a matriculation ceremony at the start of the course.

Permanent Private Halls (PPHs) are licensed by the University to matriculate students for degrees. They were founded by various Christian denominations and retain their religious character.



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