



# GRADUATE ADMISSIONS STATISTICS ENTRY 2007/08

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The figures in the tables and charts refer to candidates who applied for admission to graduate programmes commencing in the academic year 2007–08. Graduate programmes offered by the University of Oxford fall into two broad categories: research and taught. Students on research programmes undertake research under the supervision of an academic with whom they will meet regularly. Supervisors provide advice about the specific project, the nature of research, data collection methods, and the standards expected. As part of their research degree, students often attend courses on specific research skills as well as a range of seminars and lectures. Taught programmes usually involve a range of core and optional courses and the submission of a dissertation. Assessment may be by coursework, as well as by examination papers and a dissertation. Study is supported by seminars and lectures.

Figures for offers include all conditional or unconditional offers made by academic departments or faculties of the University of Oxford. Oxford's departments and faculties are organised into four academic divisions and the Department for Continuing Education. Figures for acceptances represent the number of candidates who returned a signed University contract indicating their acceptance of a place on a graduate programme. All graduate students at the University of Oxford are a member of both a department or faculty and a college.

Candidates are permitted to submit applications for more than one graduate programme of study per year; hence the number of applications submitted exceeds the number of individuals who applied in any one year.



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- 12,545 graduate applications were received for entry in the academic year 2007–08, an increase of 2.8% on the academic year 2006–07. 4,027 applications (32.1%) were for graduate research degrees and 8,518 (67.9%) for graduate taught courses.
- 9,537 applications (76.0%) were from overseas candidates; of these 1,956 (15.6%) were from citizens of EU countries and 7,581 (60.4%) were from non-EU citizens. 2,914 applications (23.2%) were from candidates with citizenship of the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man\*.
- 11,475 individuals (5,049 females and 6,426 males) applied to one or more graduate programmes. Of these, 10,574 applied to one programme, 785 applied to two programmes and 116 applied to three or more programmes.
- The total number of acceptances was 3,715. Of those accepting a place at Oxford in 2006–07, 2,048 (55.1%) were male and 1,667 (44.9%) were female.

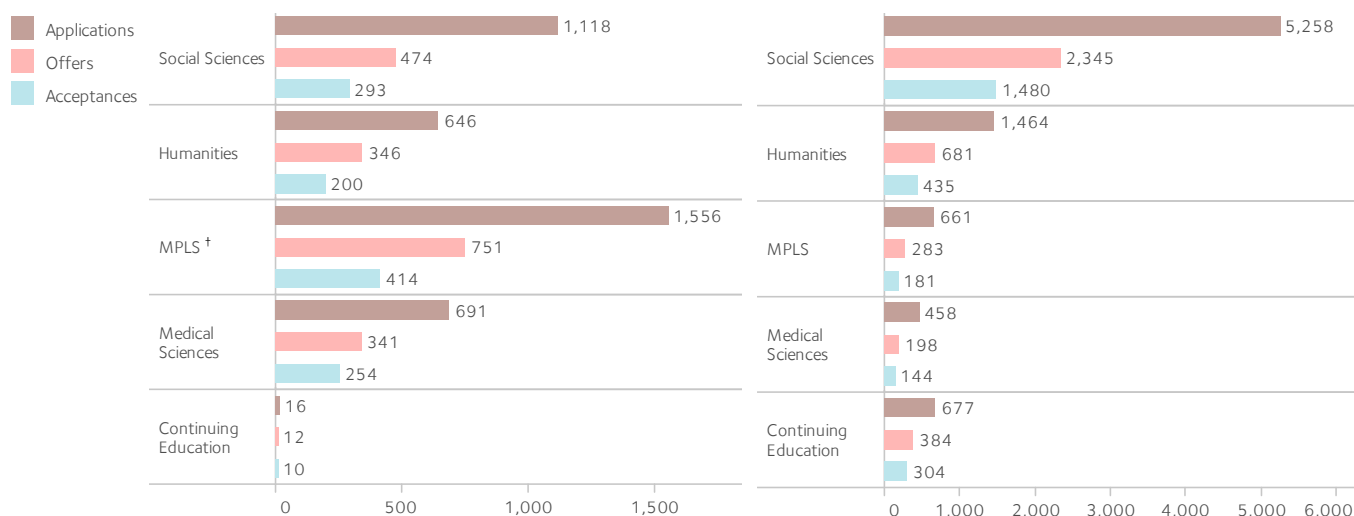
Division	Applications	Offers	Acceptances
Social Sciences	6,376	2,819	1,773
Humanities	2,110	1,027	635
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences	2,217	1,034	595
Medical Sciences	1,149	539	398
Department for Continuing Education	693	396	314
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,545</b>	<b>5,815</b>	<b>3,715</b>

\* Where a candidate is a citizen of more than one country, only one citizenship is taken into account: UK/Channel Islands/Isle of Man citizenship takes precedence over citizenship of an EU country, and citizenship of an EU country takes precedence over citizenship of a non-EU country. EU figures include Bulgaria and Romania, which joined the EU on 1 January 2007. Citizenship details are unknown for 94 applications (0.7% of the total).

# Divisions, Departments and Faculties

Figure 1a. Graduate research applications by Division

Figure 1b. Graduate taught applications by Division



†MPLS – Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Division

Table 1c. Graduate research and taught applications by department or faculty

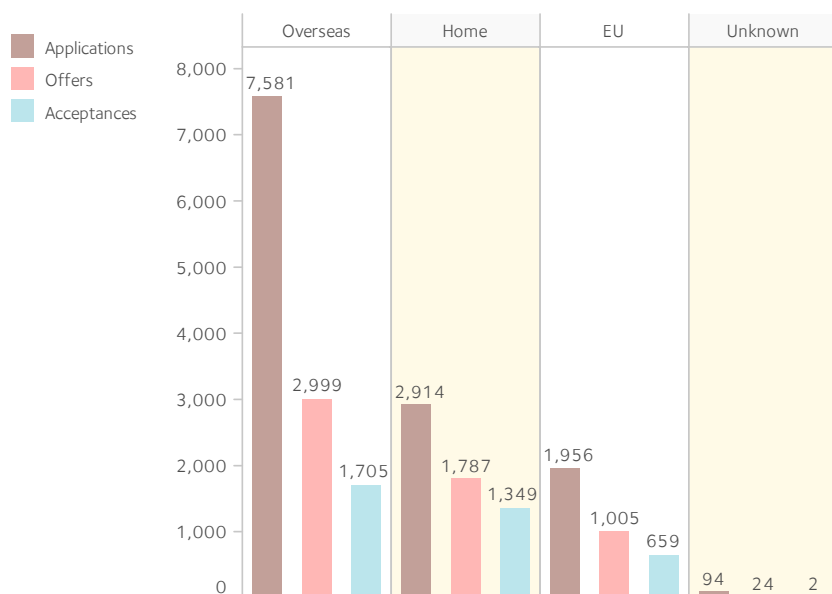
Department/Faculty	Research			Taught		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION</b>						
African Studies	0	0	0	145	60	43
Archaeology	45	38	25	49	32	26
Criminology	0	0	0	118	51	25
Economics	132	43	28	246	132	61
Education	86	43	15	376	314	259
Geography and the Environment	68	41	26	389	199	124
International Development	79	15	6	618	205	122
Japanese Studies	0	0	0	25	22	14
Latin American Studies	0	0	0	45	34	21
Law	203	105	62	588	243	147
Oxford Internet Institute	46	6	6	0	0	0
Politics and International Relations	218	94	71	430	116	66
Russian and East European Studies	0	0	0	65	46	33
Saïd Business School	95	15	9	1,784	635	387
Social and Cultural Anthropology	51	26	16	154	108	68
Social Policy and Social Work	38	26	17	153	101	62
Sociology	57	22	12	73	47	22
<b>Social Sciences Total</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>5,258</b>	<b>2,345</b>	<b>1,480</b>
<b>HUMANITIES DIVISION</b>						
Ancient History	19	14	10	27	16	13
Classics	21	15	11	58	39	26
English	113	53	30	350	96	64
Fine Art	15	4	4	0	0	0

Department/Faculty	Research			Taught		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
History	173	115	62	265	175	105
Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics	14	8	3	50	29	15
Medieval and Modern Languages	44	36	22	159	98	66
Music	24	15	9	31	15	10
Oriental Studies	72	42	23	213	103	70
Philosophy	79	20	14	163	37	21
Theology	72	24	12	148	73	45
<b>Humanities Total</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>435</b>
<b>MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION</b>						
Astrophysics	50	22	10	0	0	0
Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics	28	6	5	0	0	0
Atomic and Laser Physics	58	23	14	0	0	0
Chemical Biology	14	9	4	0	0	0
Computing	149	61	39	234	109	75
Condensed Matter Physics	71	33	15	0	0	0
Earth Sciences	54	22	12	0	0	0
Engineering Science	230	150	67	53	31	16
Inorganic Chemistry	60	48	27	0	0	0
Materials	110	68	30	0	0	0
Mathematics	175	75	39	210	69	43
MPLS Doctoral Training Centre	124	51	29	0	0	0
Organic Chemistry	99	45	30	0	0	0
Particle Physics	30	20	16	0	0	0
Physical and Theoretical Chemistry	50	41	23	10	4	2
Plant Sciences	29	10	5	0	0	0
Statistics	43	18	13	117	51	30
Theoretical Physics	83	18	15	0	0	0
Zoology	99	31	21	37	19	15
<b>MPLS Total</b>	<b>1,556</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>181</b>
<b>MEDICAL SCIENCES DIVISION</b>						
Anaesthetics	3	3	3	0	0	0
Biochemistry	136	51	36	0	0	0
Cardiovascular Medicine	19	14	9	0	0	0
Clinical Laboratory Sciences	15	14	8	0	0	0
Clinical Medicine	73	64	46	0	0	0
Clinical Neurology	14	13	10	0	0	0
Clinical Pharmacology	12	5	4	0	0	0
Clinical Psychology - DClinPsych**	0	0	0	20	20	20
Experimental Psychology	44	22	17	29	15	12
Medical Oncology	15	10	10	0	0	0
Neuroscience	91	11	5	87	25	22
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	3	3	2	0	0	0
Ophthalmology	5	5	4	0	0	0
Orthopaedic Surgery	31	9	8	16	16	11
Paediatrics	4	3	2	0	0	0
Pathology	82	22	17	0	0	0
Pharmacology	28	12	9	39	24	18
Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics	52	39	28	20	18	13
Psychiatry	22	14	11	0	0	0
Public Health and Primary Health Care	21	13	11	167	33	24
Radiation, Oncology and Biology	8	8	8	0	0	0
Surgery	13	6	6	80	47	24
<b>Medical Sciences Total</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>144</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION</b>						
	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,027</b>	<b>1,924</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>8,518</b>	<b>3,891</b>	<b>2,544</b>

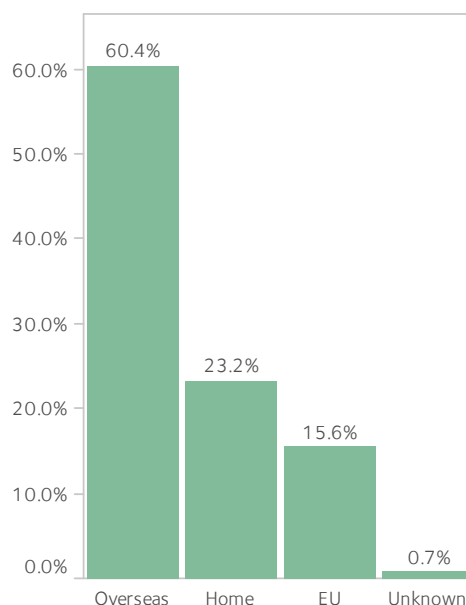
\*\*Only accepted applications for this programme are recorded

# Worldwide Distribution of Applications

**Figure 2a. Applications, offers and acceptances by citizenship type**



**Figure 2b. Percentage of applications by citizenship type**



**Table 2c. Applications, offers and acceptances by citizenship type, Division and programme type**

		Home			EU			Overseas		
		Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>	Research	137	93	62	219	97	61	760	284	170
	Taught	889	583	437	727	357	207	3,570	1,384	836
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>4,330</b>	<b>1,668</b>	<b>1,006</b>
<b>HUMANITIES</b>	Research	182	131	88	112	60	38	351	155	74
	Taught	495	296	203	207	102	70	759	283	162
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>1,110</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES</b>	Research	484	258	189	296	144	89	767	349	136
	Taught	90	53	38	92	57	43	478	172	100
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>521</b>	<b>236</b>
<b>MEDICAL SCIENCES</b>	Research	205	130	114	124	67	54	362	144	86
	Taught	97	55	48	58	29	23	301	114	73
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>CONTINUING EDUCATION</b>	Research	8	8	7	1	0	0	7	4	3
	Taught	327	180	163	120	92	74	226	110	65
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>68</b>
<b>All Postgraduate Research</b>		<b>1,016</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>2,247</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>469</b>
<b>All Postgraduate Taught</b>		<b>1,898</b>	<b>1,167</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>5,334</b>	<b>2,063</b>	<b>1,236</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,914</b>	<b>1,787</b>	<b>1,349</b>	<b>1,956</b>	<b>1,005</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>7,581</b>	<b>2,999</b>	<b>1,705</b>

**Table 2d. Applications, offers and acceptances by world region and programme type**

	Research			Taught			All		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
UK, Channel Islands and IOM	1,016	620	460	1,898	1,167	889	2,914	1,787	1,349
EU	752	368	242	1,204	637	417	1,956	1,005	659
Other Europe & Central Asia	125	55	28	394	138	75	519	193	103
East Asia & Pacific	842	359	174	1,653	605	368	2,495	964	542
South Asia	397	131	46	928	293	180	1,325	424	226
Middle East & North Africa	131	40	25	161	71	40	292	111	65
Sub-Saharan Africa	156	52	27	483	133	76	639	185	103
North America	511	262	148	1,498	729	444	2,009	991	592
Latin America & Caribbean	85	37	21	217	94	53	302	131	74
Unknown	12	0		82	24	2	94	24	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,027</b>	<b>1,924</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>8,518</b>	<b>3,891</b>	<b>2,544</b>	<b>12,545</b>	<b>5,815</b>	<b>3,715</b>

Figure 3a. Acceptances by gender, Division and programme type



Table 3b. Applications, offers and acceptances by gender, Division and programme type

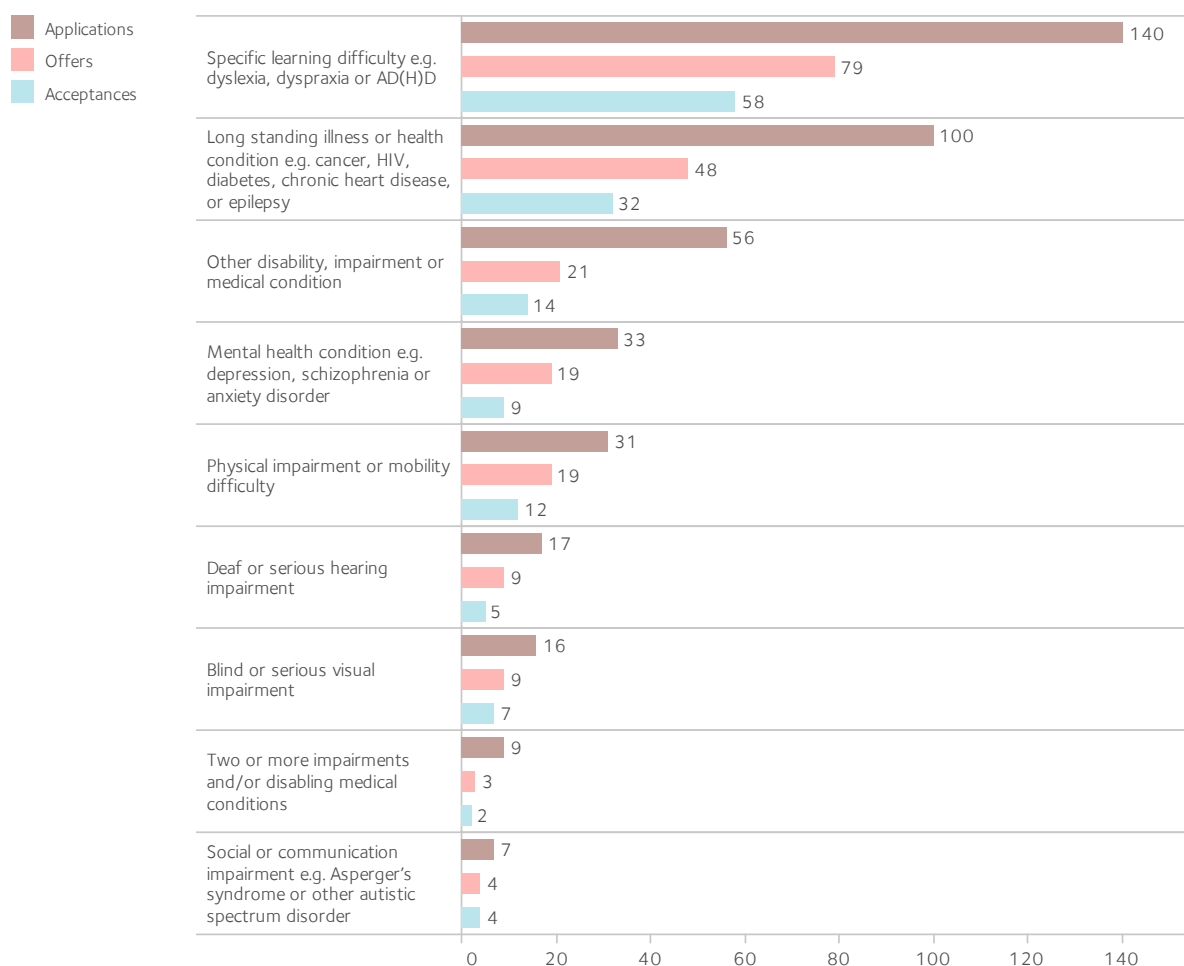
		Female			Male		
		Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Research	532	238	136	586	236	157
	Taught	2,365	1,126	719	2,893	1,219	761
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,897</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>3,479</b>	<b>1,455</b>	<b>918</b>
HUMANITIES	Research	291	152	84	355	194	116
	Taught	778	357	233	686	324	202
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>1,041</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>318</b>
MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES	Research	448	232	121	1,108	519	293
	Taught	228	105	61	433	178	120
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>1,541</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>413</b>
MEDICAL SCIENCES	Research	343	178	135	348	163	119
	Taught	249	90	67	209	108	77
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>196</b>
CONTINUING EDUCATION	Research	9	8	7	7	4	3
	Taught	305	136	104	372	248	200
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>203</b>
All Postgraduate Research		1,623	808	483	2,404	1,116	688
All Postgraduate Taught		3,925	1,814	1,184	4,593	2,077	1,360
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>5,548</b>	<b>2,622</b>	<b>1,667</b>	<b>6,997</b>	<b>3,193</b>	<b>2,048</b>

Table 4a. Applications, offers and acceptances by Division and programme type: candidates with a declared disability

		One or more disabilities		
		Apps	Offers	Accept
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Research	30	21	15
	Taught	141	74	48
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>63</b>
HUMANITIES	Research	28	14	8
	Taught	61	30	21
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>29</b>
MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES	Research	54	23	14
	Taught	13	10	9
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>
MEDICAL SCIENCES	Research	11	7	6
	Taught	14	6	4
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>
CONTINUING EDUCATION	Research	0	0	0
	Taught	39	18	13
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>All Postgraduate Research</b>		<b>123</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>All Postgraduate Taught</b>		<b>268</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>391</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>138</b>

Figure 4b. Applications, offers and acceptances by disability type

NOTE: Applicants with more than one disability may be included in two or more categories in Figure 4b.



# Ethnic Background

Figure 5a. Applications, offers and acceptances by known ethnic group

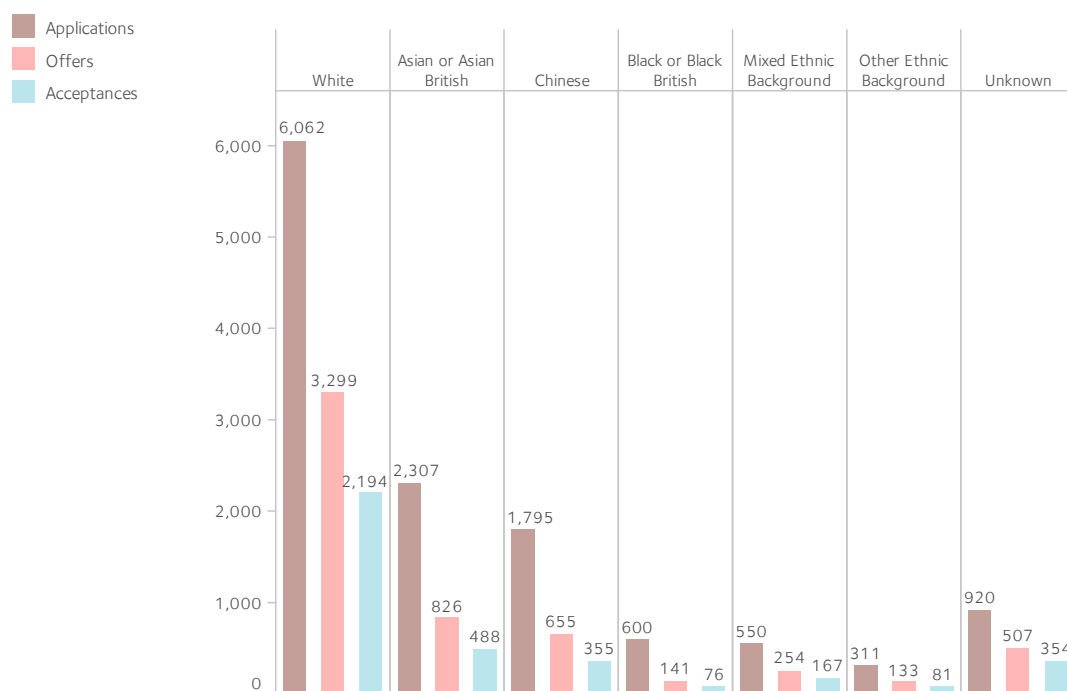


Table 5b. Applications, offers and acceptances by course type and known ethnic background

	Research			Taught			All		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi	37	17	12	47	22	21	84	39	33
Asian or Asian British - Indian	282	117	51	831	300	191	1,113	417	242
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	116	34	17	230	67	34	346	101	51
Chinese	584	232	96	1,211	423	259	1,795	655	355
Other Asian background	253	101	57	511	168	105	764	269	162
Black or Black British - African	105	27	16	336	75	40	441	102	56
Black or Black British - Caribbean	13	2	1	45	18	9	58	20	10
Other Black background	17	8	3	84	11	7	101	19	10
White	633	549	504	553	438	372	1,186	987	876
White - British	446	181	80	1,152	695	502	1,598	876	582
White - Irish	42	18	7	99	56	31	141	74	38
White Scottish	17	8	6	52	33	18	69	41	24
Other White background	869	325	110	2,199	996	564	3,068	1,321	674
Irish Traveller	1	1	1	2	0		3	1	1
Mixed - White and Asian	61	30	16	96	50	32	157	80	48
Mixed - White and Black African	30	6	3	62	20	14	92	26	17
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	9	6	3	19	10	7	28	16	10
Other Mixed background	79	36	31	194	96	61	273	132	92
Other Ethnic background	94	37	26	214	95	54	308	132	80
Information refused	221	158	114	350	217	160	571	375	274
Not known	118	31	17	231	101	63	349	132	80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,027</b>	<b>1,924</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>8,518</b>	<b>3,891</b>	<b>2,544</b>	<b>12,545</b>	<b>5,815</b>	<b>3,715</b>



**Non-Matriculated**

Students on certain postgraduate certificate and diploma programmes (mainly within the Department for Continuing Education) are not affiliated to a college and do not attend a matriculation ceremony to become members of the University.

**Permanent Private Hall (PPH)**

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

	Research	Taught	All
<b>COLLEGES</b>			
All Souls	1	0	1
Balliol	64	37	101
Brasenose	34	47	81
Christ Church	35	64	99
Corpus Christi	19	29	48
Exeter	26	64	90
Green	40	97	137
Harris Manchester	2	42	44
Hertford	22	54	76
Jesus	30	27	57
Keble	41	70	111
Kellogg	14	180	194
Lady Margaret Hall	18	80	98
Linacre	66	110	176
Lincoln	54	73	127
Magdalen	37	41	78
Mansfield	11	26	37
Merton	64	39	103
New College	40	46	86
Nuffield	23	9	32
Oriel	23	32	55
Pembroke	14	35	49
Queen's, The	28	28	56
Somerville	11	22	33
St Anne's	30	75	105
St Antony's	53	138	191
St Catherine's	26	66	92
St Cross	44	159	203
St Edmund Hall	15	75	90
St Hilda's	9	55	64
St Hugh's	20	68	88
St John's	41	28	69
St Peter's	12	39	51
Templeton	7	109	116
Trinity	19	27	46
University	42	42	84
Wadham	25	37	62
Wolfson	84	116	200
Worcester	20	51	71
<b>PERMANENT PRIVATE HALLS</b>			
Blackfriars	0	3	3
Campion Hall	4	1	5
Regent's Park College	3	12	15
St Benet's Hall	0	1	1
St Stephen's House	0	15	15
Wycliffe Hall	0	4	4
<b>RECOGNISED INDEPENDENT CENTRE</b>			
Ripon College Cuddesdon	0	8	8
<b>Non-Matriculated Students</b>	n/a	163	163
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>2,544</b>	<b>3,715</b>



### **Further information**

For information about the University of Oxford's graduate programmes, including detailed advice on how to apply, please see [www.ox.ac.uk/graduate](http://www.ox.ac.uk/graduate)

More information on student numbers at the University of Oxford can be found at [www.admin.ox.ac.uk/ac-div/resources/statistics](http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/ac-div/resources/statistics)