

CAAH Admissions 2019

This year the Faculty of Classics at the University of Oxford had 85 applicants for Classical Archaeology and Ancient History this year, one of whom subsequently withdrew.

The application process involves careful evaluation of several aspects of the applicant's profile: written work, personal statement, teacher reference, past and predicted exam performance and, for those invited to interview, interview. Contextual data was taken into account at every stage of the process.

1. Candidates not shortlisted

Five candidates were not shortlisted for interview, on the basis of the criteria set out at <https://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/admissions-criteria-classical-archaeology-ancient-history>.

2. Interviewed Candidates and Offers

Interviews were conducted at the colleges to which the candidate applied or been allocated, with a small amount of redistribution before interviews so as to relieve oversubscribed colleges and maximize candidates' chances of admission. After first college interviews, around 40 additional interviews were arranged, to give candidates the best chance of being placed.

79 applicants were interviewed (i.e. 85 minus 1 (withdrawn) minus 5 (not shortlisted) candidates), and 31 offers were made on the basis of the published criteria (<https://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/admissions-criteria-classical-archaeology-ancient-history>), with a ratio of 2.7 applicants to offers, and a ratio of 2.5 interviewed candidates to offers.

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