

## Classics Admissions 2019

This year the Faculty of Classics at the University of Oxford, in conjunction with the Faculties of Oriental Studies, Modern Languages, and English, had a large number of high quality applicants for the several degree courses we offer: Literae Humaniores (Classics) Courses 1 and 2 (LH1 & 2), Classics with Oriental Studies Course 1 and 2 (COS1 & 2), Classics with Modern Languages Courses 1 and 2 (CML1 & 2), and Classics and English Courses 1 and 2 (CE 1 & 2). The figures given in this summary are preliminary.

The application process involves careful weighting of several aspects of the applicant's profile: CAT test results, written work, personal statement, teacher reference, contextualized GCSE performance, and A-level predictions.

### 1. CAT Test

For more detail on the CAT test, see <http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/applying-to-oxford/tests/cat>, where you will also find past papers and keys to the CLAT tests since 2010. This year the average marks (with range in brackets) for the test sections were:

Greek Verse	Greek Prose	Latin Verse	Latin Prose	CLAT
57 (11-88)	68 (29-98)	61 (6-98)	64 (5-98)	69 (30-99)

### 2. Deselected Candidates

Twenty-six candidates were deselected (not invited to interview), on the basis of the criteria set out at <http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/criteria-classics.html>, and distributed as follows:

LH1	LH2	COS1	COS2	CML1	CML2	CE1	CE2	total
17	3	-	2	3	1	-	-	26

### 3. Interviewed Candidates

Interviews were conducted at the colleges to which the candidate applied, and there was some redistribution before interviews so as to relieve oversubscribed colleges and maximize those candidates' chances of admission. After first college interviews, around 200 additional interviews were arranged at second- and third-choice colleges, to give candidates the best chance of being placed. This year 336 candidates applied, with the split across the courses as below:

LH1	LH2	COS1	COS2	CML1	CML2	CE1	CE2	total
182	73	8	7	13	10	16	27	336

310 applicants were interviewed (i.e. 336 minus 26 desummoned candidates), and 147 offers were made, with a 2.3 ratio of applicants to places, and a 2.1 ratio of interviewed candidates to places.

### 4. Offers

147 offers were made on the basis of the criteria listed at <http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/criteria-classics.html>. The distribution was as follows:

LH1	LH2	COS1	COS2	CML1	CML2	CE1	CE2	total
73	43	6	2	4	3	6	10	147

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