## **Music Admissions 2022**

## A. Profile of applicants

Number of applications received:	161
Number of candidates interviewed:	143
Number of offers made:	83

excluding organ scholars

Number of applications received:	173
Number of candidates	
interviewed:	155
Number of offers made:	90

including organ scholars

	Male	87
Applicants		
	Female	73
	Male	75
	% of interviewed	
Interviewed	applicants	47%
Interviewed	Female	68
	% of interviewed	
	applicants	43%
	Male	41
	% of offers made to	
	males	49%
	% of male applicants with offers	
Offers for next year		47%
Offers for flext year	Female	42
	% of offers made to	
	females	51%
	% of female applicants with offers	
		57%

excluding organ scholars

Applicante	Male	97
Applicants	Female	75
Interviewed	Male	85
	% of interviewed	
	applicants	55%

	Female	70
	% of interviewed	
	applicants	45%
	Male	47
	% of offers made to males	52%
	% of male applicants with offers	
Offers for next		48%
		40/0
year	Female	43
	Female % of offers made to	
	% of offers made to	43
	% of offers made to females % of female	43

including organ scholars

Applications	Independent	Applications from <b>Independent</b> schools	68
		as a % of applicants	42%
	State	Applications from <b>State</b> schools	64
		As a % of applicants	40%
Offers	Independent	offers from <b>Independent</b> schools	34
		as a % of offers made	38%
		% of Independent school applicants with offers	50%
		Offers made to applicants from State schools	40
		State students as a % of offers made	44%

	% of State school applicants with offers	62%
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excluding organ scholars

Applications	Independent	Applications from <b>Independent</b> schools	78
		as a % of applicants	45%
	State	Applications from <b>State</b> schools	66
		As a % of applicants	38%
Offers	Independent	offers from <b>Independent</b> schools	39
		as a % of offers made	43%
		% of Independent school applicants with offers	50%
	State	Offers made to applicants from <b>State</b> schools	42
		State students as a % of offers made	47%
		% of State school applicants with offers	63%

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## **B. Shortlisting procedure**

Candidates were normally shortlisted if they have met, or are predicted to meet, the standard offer of AAA at A Level with an A in Music (or equivalent). Additional circumstances, such as access to music education and educational disruption were taken into consideration, in line with University procedures.

In addition to college shortlisting procedure, the Faculty Administrator and Admissions Coordinator assessed the gathered field as a whole. In consultation with tutors, the Faculty circulated a list of candidates proposed for deselection (based on [predicted] failure to meet grade requirements, and taking into account the extenuating circumstances of individual candidates), to give other colleges the opportunity to retain candidates. After initial deselection, candidates were re-allocated across the

colleges, according to agreed procedure, in order to ensure an even distribution of first-choice candidates amongst admitting colleges.

## 2) Interview Process and Selection Meetings

In line with University policy post-Covid, interviews now take place online. Prior to interview, candidates submitted video recordings of performances (no longer than 5 minutes), along with the specified written work (two essays, harmony and counterpoint exercises, compositions), for assessment. Submitted work was marked by Faculty-appointed assessors, and the marks shared with appointing tutors prior to the interviews. All shortlisted candidates were interviewed by two colleges during Michaelmas Term week 9; those with an overall widening participation flag are interviewed by three colleges.

Rankings and interview grades  $(A^*-B)$  were collected from college interviewers for the Faculty's **First Selection Meeting**, with those candidates ranked 'B' by two colleges falling out of contention for a place. This was the Faculty's first year participating in the Opportunity Oxford (OppOx) scheme, and four candidates from the most disadvantaged group were put forward for the scheme.

Strong candidates (usually, double 'A' at interview) who were not allocated a college place at this meeting were considered for Open Offer places (the interviews for which took place on Monday of week 10). During the **Second Selection Meeting** the results of the Open Offer interviews were gathered, and final allocation of places was made. There were eight Open Offer places given this year. Successful Open Offer candidates not only performed well at interview, they had a robust academic record (both in term of GCSEs and A-level predictions), and some were post-qualification.