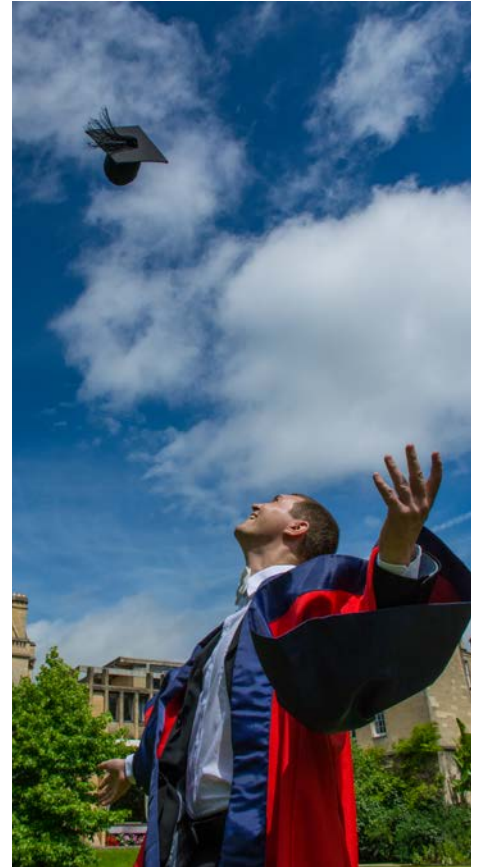




# GRADUATE ADMISSIONS STATISTICS

## ENTRY 2016–17



# GRADUATE ADMISSIONS STATISTICS

The figures in the tables refer to candidates who applied for admission to graduate programmes commencing in the academic year 2016–17.

Graduate programmes offered by the University of Oxford fall into two broad categories: research and taught.

Students on research programmes engage in research under the supervision of an academic, with whom they 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.

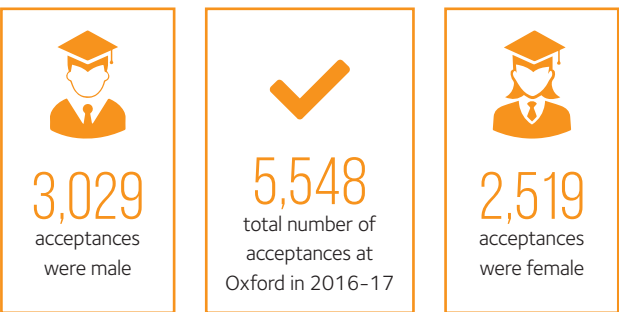
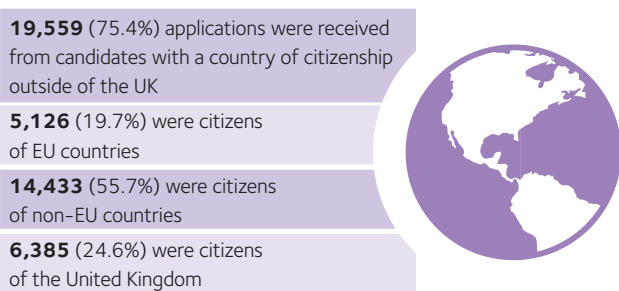
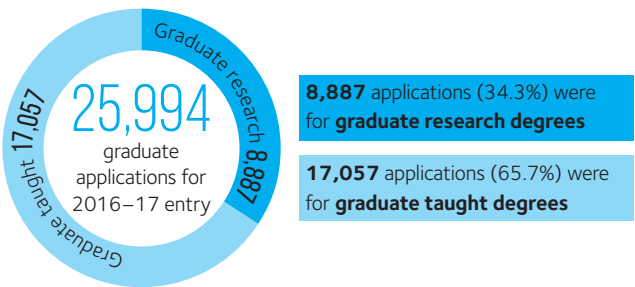
Figures for offers include all conditional or unconditional offers made by academic departments or faculties of

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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 members 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; so the number of applications submitted exceeds the number of individuals who applied in any one year.



Division	Applications	Offers	Acceptances
Social Sciences	12,183	4,334	2,697
Humanities	4,043	1,670	901
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences	5,233	1,501	944
Medical Sciences	3,343	756	548
Department for Continuing Education	1,142	543	458
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25,944</b>	<b>8,804</b>	<b>5,548</b>

\* Where a candidate is a citizen of more than one country, only one citizenship is taken into account: UK citizenship takes precedence over citizenship of an EU country, and citizenship of an EU country takes precedence over citizenship of a non-EU country.

# DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS AND FACULTIES

Figure 1a. Graduate research applications by Division

Division	Applications	Offers	Acceptances
Social Sciences	1,980	535	275
Humanities	1,229	590	247
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences	3,534	1,060	643
Medical Sciences	2,056	478	362
Department for Continuing Education	88	20	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,887</b>	<b>2,683</b>	<b>1,544</b>

Figure 1b. Graduate taught applications by Division

Division	Applications	Offers	Acceptances
Social Sciences	10,203	3,799	2,422
Humanities	2,814	1,080	654
Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences	1,699	441	301
Medical Sciences	1,287	278	186
Department for Continuing Education	1,054	523	441
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,057</b>	<b>6,121</b>	<b>4,004</b>

Figure 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>						
Anthropology and Museum Ethnography	100	58	17	290	148	87
Archaeology	63	51	26	119	83	46
Area Studies	0	0	0	440	202	112
Blavatnik School of Government	114	7	6	735	200	124
Economics	158	41	17	513	159	68
Education	128	34	19	1,053	451	342
Geography and the Environment	120	57	37	637	185	126
International Development	199	24	11	980	261	149
Law	457	119	66	1,514	461	311
Oxford Internet Institute	99	9	8	262	58	40
Politics and International Relations	259	82	42	486	141	84
Saïd Business School	121	12	5	2,758	1,303	846
Social Policy and Intervention	75	20	10	296	92	58
Sociology	87	21	11	120	55	29
<b>Social Sciences Total</b>	<b>1,980</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>10,203</b>	<b>3,799</b>	<b>2,422</b>
<b>HUMANITIES DIVISION</b>						
Ancient History & Classical Archaeology	27	15	6	30	16	7
Classical Languages & Literature	39	30	15	66	40	22
English	240	113	31	547	133	81
History	321	168	67	624	261	155
Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics	26	5	3	88	39	23
Medieval & Modern Languages	82	65	32	326	148	97
Music	46	20	13	93	53	35
Oriental Studies	136	64	30	402	143	85
Philosophy	123	47	17	275	91	46
Ruskin School of Art	70	5	4	112	23	12
Theology & Religion	119	58	29	251	133	91
<b>Humanities Division Total</b>	<b>1,229</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>2,814</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>654</b>

# DIVISIONS, DEPARTMENTS AND FACULTIES CONTINUED

Department/Faculty	Research			Taught		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
<b>MATHEMATICAL, PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION</b>						
<b>Chemistry, of which</b>						
Chemical Biology	20	9	6	0	0	0
Inorganic Chemistry	63	48	33	0	0	0
Organic Chemistry	232	62	42	0	0	0
Computer Science	303	78	58	570	184	137
Doctoral Training Centre **	545	144	97	0	0	0
Earth Sciences	73	15	12	0	0	0
Engineering Science	566	205	104	0	0	0
Environmental Research DTP	171	36	29	0	0	0
Materials	192	80	47	0	0	0
Mathematical Institute	454	116	54	719	196	126
<b>Physics, of which</b>						
Astrophysics	124	18	12	0	0	0
Atmospherics, Oceanic and Planetary Physics	38	13	9	0	0	0
Atomic & Laser Physics	69	23	17	0	0	0
Condensed Matter Physics	119	39	23	0	0	0
Particle Physics	65	29	19	0	0	0
Theoretical Physics	171	21	12	0	0	0
Physical & Theoretical Chemistry	83	44	26	18	1	1
Plant Sciences	53	17	7	0	0	0
Statistics	122	24	17	392	60	37
Zoology	71	39	19	0	0	0
<b>Mathematical, Physical and Life Sciences Total</b>	<b>3,534</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>1,699</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>301</b>
<b>MEDICAL SCIENCES</b>						
Biochemistry	119	32	19	0	0	0
Clinical Medicine	222	59	53	146	26	16
Clinical Neurosciences	108	36	27	28	25	18
Clinical Psychology - DCLinPsych	0	0	0	17	17	17
Doctoral Training Centre	322	44	38	0	0	0
Experimental Psychology	119	33	22	126	18	13
Neuroscience	223	9	7	318	36	20
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	19	14	9	67	35	18
Oncology	156	36	28	48	17	10
Orthopaedics, Rheumatology and Musculoskeletal Sciences	95	35	31	26	16	15
Paediatrics	14	8	7	0	0	0
Pathology	93	14	10	0	0	0
Pharmacology	41	26	16	62	19	12
Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics	50	25	14	0	0	0
Population Health	146	27	22	347	37	22
Primary Care	50	5	5	0	0	0
Psychiatry	42	26	18	0	0	0
Radcliffe Department of Medicine	220	40	30	0	0	0
Surgical Sciences	17	9	6	102	32	25
<b>Medical Sciences Total</b>	<b>2,056</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>1,287</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>186</b>
<b>DEPARTMENT FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION</b>	88	20	17	1,054	523	441
<b>Department for Continuing Education Total</b>	<b>8,887</b>	<b>2,683</b>	<b>1,544</b>	<b>17,057</b>	<b>6,121</b>	<b>4,004</b>

\*\* Includes Biomedical Imaging (CDT), Interdisciplinary Bioscience (DTP), Synthetic Biology (CDT), Systems Approaches to Biomedical Science (CDT), Systems Biology (CDT)

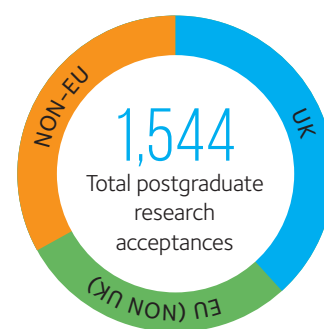


# WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION OF APPLICATIONS

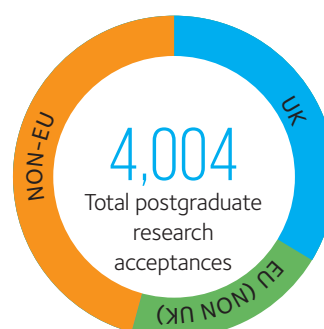
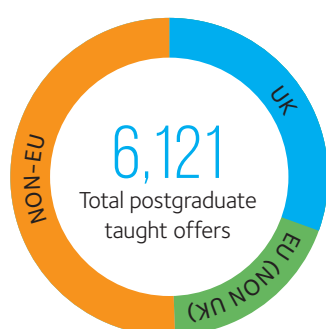
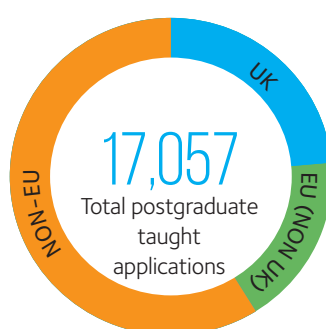
Figure 2a. Applications, offers and acceptances by citizenship type

Division/Department		UK			EU (Non-UK)			Non-EU		
		Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Research	268	130	66	457	158	87	1,255	247	122
	Taught	1,898	931	689	1,849	712	482	6,456	2,156	1,251
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,166</b>	<b>1,061</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>2,306</b>	<b>870</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>7,711</b>	<b>2,403</b>	<b>1,373</b>
HUMANITIES	Research	391	245	99	249	132	57	589	213	91
	Taught	1,017	489	315	440	174	116	1,357	417	223
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>1,946</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>314</b>
MPLS	Research	1,187	351	258	858	275	183	1,489	434	202
	Taught	273	92	75	401	147	106	1,025	202	120
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,460</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>1,259</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>2,514</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>322</b>
MEDICAL SCIENCES	Research	637	180	155	500	127	97	919	171	110
	Taught	272	81	73	231	57	37	784	140	76
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>1,703</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>186</b>
CONTINUING EDUCATION	Research	23	12	10	9	2	1	56	6	6
	Taught	419	265	236	132	69	59	503	189	146
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>152</b>
All postgraduate research		2,506	918	588	2,073	694	425	4,308	1,071	531
All postgraduate taught		3,879	1,858	1,388	3,053	1,159	800	10,125	3,104	1,816
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,385</b>	<b>2,776</b>	<b>1,976</b>	<b>5,126</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>1,225</b>	<b>14,433</b>	<b>4,175</b>	<b>2,347</b>

## Postgraduate research totals:



## Postgraduate taught totals:

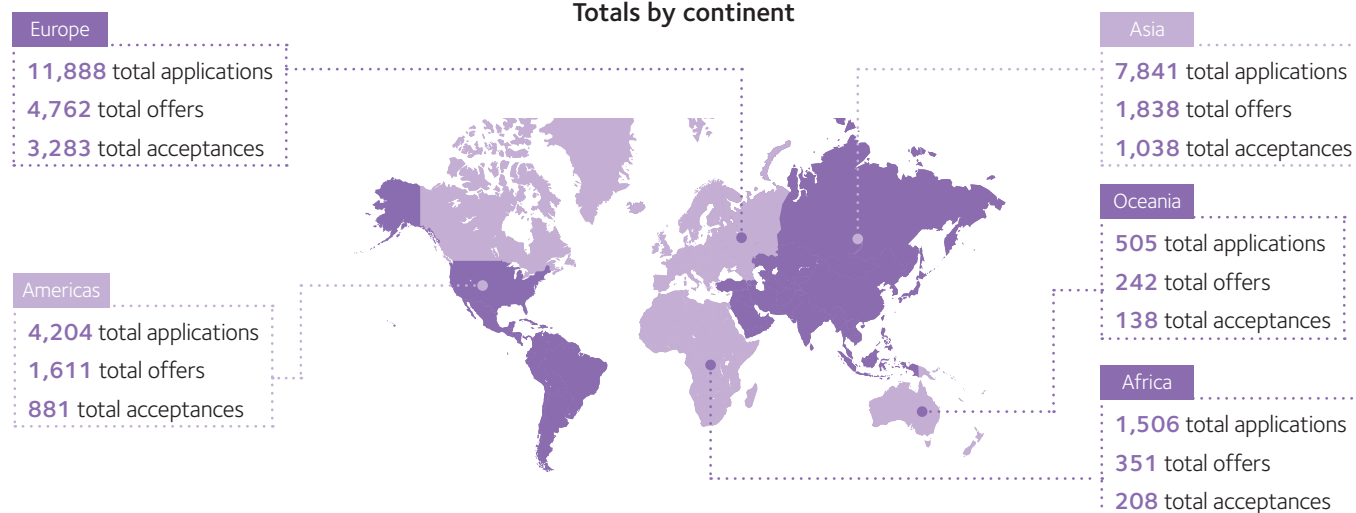


# WORLDWIDE DISTRIBUTION OF APPLICATIONS CONTINUED

Table 2b. Applications, offers and acceptances by continent and programme type

	Research			Taught			All		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Africa	435	55	27	1,071	296	181	1,506	351	208
Americas	1,116	371	178	3,088	1,240	703	4,204	1,611	881
Asia	2,489	532	269	5,352	1,306	769	7,841	1,838	1,038
Europe	4,695	1,653	1,036	7,193	3,109	2,247	11,888	4,762	3,283
Oceania	152	72	34	353	170	104	505	242	138
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>8,887</b>	<b>2,683</b>	<b>1,544</b>	<b>17,057</b>	<b>6,121</b>	<b>4,004</b>	<b>25,944</b>	<b>8,804</b>	<b>5,548</b>

Totals by continent



## SEX\*

Figure 3. Applications, offers and acceptances by sex, Division and programme type

Division/Department		Female			Male		
		Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Research	972	264	139	1,008	271	136
	Taught	5,048	1,809	1,164	5,155	1,990	1,258
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,020</b>	<b>2,073</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>6,163</b>	<b>2,261</b>	<b>1,394</b>
HUMANITIES	Research	575	278	112	654	312	135
	Taught	1,537	548	344	1,277	532	310
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,112</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>1,931</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>445</b>
MPLS	Research	1,007	322	193	2,527	738	450
	Taught	503	89	50	1,196	352	251
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,510</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>3,723</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>701</b>
MEDICAL SCIENCES	Research	1,112	241	169	944	237	193
	Taught	799	165	107	488	113	79
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,911</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>272</b>
CONTINUING EDUCATION	Research	38	10	7	50	10	10
	Taught	619	283	234	435	240	207
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>217</b>
All postgraduate research		3,704	1,115	620	5,183	1,568	924
All postgraduate taught		8,506	2,894	1,899	8,551	3,227	2,105
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12,210</b>	<b>4,009</b>	<b>2,519</b>	<b>13,734</b>	<b>4,795</b>	<b>3,029</b>

\* Sex based on declared data at the time of application.

# DISABILITY AND ETHNIC BACKGROUND

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

Division/Department		One or more disabilities		
		Applications	Offers	Acceptances
SOCIAL SCIENCES	Research	155	62	31
	Taught	619	291	209
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>774</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>240</b>
HUMANITIES	Research	142	78	36
	Taught	376	161	111
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>147</b>
MPLS	Research	298	85	60
	Taught	92	21	11
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>71</b>
MEDICAL SCIENCES	Research	148	37	28
	Taught	88	16	15
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>43</b>
CONTINUING EDUCATION	Research	3	2	2
	Taught	89	39	34
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>
All postgraduate research		<b>746</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>157</b>
All postgraduate taught		<b>1,264</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>380</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2,010</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>537</b>

Figure 5. Applications, offers and acceptances by known ethnic group (all nationalities)

	Research			Taught			All		
	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept	Apps	Offers	Accept
Arab	258	34	19	298	78	49	556	112	68
Asian	1,447	303	152	3,056	841	507	4,503	1,144	659
Black	413	47	27	1,117	331	212	1,530	378	239
Chinese	1,125	301	167	2,596	631	386	3,721	932	553
Mixed	390	131	80	908	350	219	1,298	481	299
Other	129	22	11	416	133	75	545	155	86
White	4,919	1,788	1,051	7,945	3,568	2,463	12,864	5,356	3,514
Information Refused	145	46	31	247	117	76	392	163	107
Not known	61	11	6	474	72	17	535	83	23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,887</b>	<b>2,683</b>	<b>1,544</b>	<b>17,057</b>	<b>6,121</b>	<b>4,004</b>	<b>25,944</b>	<b>8,804</b>	<b>5,548</b>



## COLLEGE

Figure 6. Candidates accepting a graduate place by College or Permanent Private Hall

**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.

COLLEGES	Research	Taught	All
All Souls	1	0	1
Balliol	60	88	148
Brasenose	41	65	106
Christ Church	32	56	88
Corpus Christi	14	24	38
Exeter	32	50	82
Green Templeton	41	228	269
Harris Manchester	10	74	84
Hertford	31	65	96
Jesus	36	50	86
Keble	29	99	128
Kellogg	45	404	449
Lady Margaret Hall	31	70	101
Linacre	96	94	190
Lincoln	62	77	139
Magdalen	28	49	77
Mansfield	26	61	87
Merton	43	37	80
New	46	89	135
Nuffield	19	10	29
Oriel	36	58	94
Pembroke	29	86	115
Queen's, The	34	39	73
St Anne's	65	137	202
St Antony's	46	199	245
St Catherine's	38	165	203
St Cross	67	170	237
St Edmund Hall	51	69	120
St Hilda's	26	47	73
St Hugh's	35	199	234
St John's	57	21	78
St Peter's	43	58	101
Somerville	22	70	92
Trinity	26	21	47
University	50	29	79
Wadham	36	64	100
Wolfson	120	102	222
Worcester	27	52	79
PERMANENT PRIVATE HALLS			
Blackfriars	6	22	28
Campion Hall	1	3	4
Regent's Park College	0	27	27
St Benet's Hall	1	11	12
St Stephen's House	4	30	34
Wycliffe Hall	1	22	23
RECOGNISED INDEPENDENT CENTRE			
Ripon College Cuddesdon	0	6	6
Non Matriculated	0	607	607
TOTAL	1,544	4,004	5,548

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