

OXBRIDGE Applicant Support Calendar

Oxford and Cambridge are two of the most highly regarded Universities in the world and with that they both have a highly competitive application processes. Both Universities look at ensuring all students adhere to a high academic standard and will look for evidence of this in any application. Applicants will also be required to sit an entrance exam and many courses will also require supplementary work sent to them. By following this calendar, you will gain all the experiences that are necessary to create a successful application. All applicants will be assigned a mentor to support them through this process. This checklist covers the key areas, you should also however always be looking for opportunities to expand your knowledge in your chosen field through any means (e.g. newspapers, articles, literature/science festivals radio shows etc).

Month	Task
Make yourself known as a future OXBRIDGE Applicant as soon as possible	
Year 12 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Oxford: Apply for Study day on http://www.pathways.ox.ac.uk ✓ Cambridge: Apply for Subject Masterclass https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/events/masterclasses
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Use Unifrog to Investigate courses ✓ Pick an academic book to read around your chosen subject matter ✓ Mentor meeting ✓ Read – ‘So you want to go to Oxbridge’ book on SharePoint
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Create list of applicant requirements and discuss with mentor ✓ Research with mentor any lectures that may be appropriate to attend ✓ Visiting talk from Oxford graduate
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Investigate volunteering opportunity to strengthen application ✓ Check Cheltenham Festivals (Science) for any speakers potentially relevant http://www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/visit-and-booking-information/box-office/
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Preparation/Study of a related MOOC ✓ Prepare Summer work experience around academic area
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Attend Oxford or Cambridge Open day. Details are on Website ✓ Work with Mentor to check any application materials which may be required and complete these (marked work, essays) ✓ Use Unifrog to select preferred college
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Gain excellent AS Results ✓ Start personal statement ✓ Oxford: Apply for University Applicant Information day http://www.pathways.ox.ac.uk
Year 13 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Download practice material for entrance exams ✓ Check Cheltenham Festivals (Literature) for any speakers potentially relevant http://www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/visit-and-booking-information/box-office/
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Finalise personal statement ✓ Meet with school exams officer to enter yourself into admissions tests ✓ Mentor to check progress on entrance exams
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Send application ✓ Cambridge: complete supplementary applications
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Mock interview to be arranged by mentor ✓ Sit entrance exams ✓ Submit examples of work
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Interviews