

# **Your Pathway to Excellence: Early Entry Programme Overview**

Encouraging and supporting students who wish to apply for Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science, and those wishing to apply to The University of Oxford or The University of Cambridge.

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# Why Pursue These Elite Pathways?

- Prestige
- High earning potential
- Global opportunities for specialisation
- Contribution to advancements in research



# How do we identify students?

- 1. Talk to the students** - give them a chance to express interest, to come forward, to ask questions.
- 2. Look at GCSE results** – who are our top achievers?
- 3. Talk to staff** – who is really shining? Who has the potential to apply to these competitive courses?

*Students can declare an interest in Early Entry at any time.*



# Who can apply?

## Medicine

Chemistry + Biology + Maths / Physics (AAA)

\*Most, but not all medical schools require maths.

Chemistry + Biology plus another (AAA)

## Veterinary Science

Biology + 2 others (normally science disciplines) (AAA)

## Dentistry

Chemistry + Biology plus another (AAA)



Please note: A grade A or B in EPQ can result in a lower offer from universities. E.g. Sheffield offered places at A A B with A in EPQ for Medicine in recent years.

# Who can apply?

<b>Degree course</b>	<b>The University of Cambridge</b>	<b>The University of Oxford</b>
Economics	A*A*A (A in Maths)	A*AA
Engineering	A*A*A (A* in Maths and Physics)	A*A*A* (A* in Maths and Physics)
Law	A*AA	AAA
Medicine	A*A*A (Chemistry + 1 Science/Maths)	A*AA (Chemistry + 1 Science/Maths)



# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – Medicine

### Student A

**GCSE:** 9 x grade 9 and 1 grade 8

**A levels:** Biology A\*, Chemistry A, Mathematics A, EPQ A\*

**Degree:** Medicine



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# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – Medicine

### Student B

**GCSE:** 7 x grade 9

**A levels:** Biology B, Chemistry B, Mathematics B, EPQ A\*

**Degree:** Medicine with a foundation year



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# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – Medicine

### Student C

**GCSE:** 9 x grade 9

**A levels:** Biology A\*, Chemistry A\*, French A\*, Maths A\*, EPQ A\*

**Degree:** Medicine



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# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – Veterinary Science

### Student D

**GCSE:** 4 x grade 9, 5 x grade 8

**A levels:** Biology A\*, Chemistry A, Mathematics A, Further Mathematics B, EPQ A\*

**Degree:** Veterinary Science



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# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – Veterinary Science

### Student E

**GCSE:** 1 x grade 8, 6 x grade 7, 4 x grade 6

**A Level:** Biology B, Chemistry C, Mathematics, B

**Degrees:** Veterinary Biosciences/Veterinary Science



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# Who can apply?

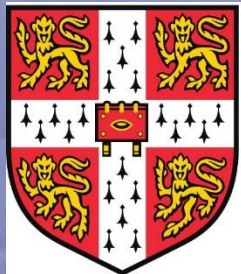
## Successful past students – The University of Cambridge

### Student F

**GCSEs:** 6 x grade 9, 5 x grade 8

**A levels:** Drama A\*, English Language A\*, Politics A\*, History A\*

**Degree:** History of Art



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# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – The University of Oxford

### Student H

**GCSEs:** 8 x grade 9, 1 x grade 7

**A levels:** Chemistry A\*, Further Mathematics A\*, Mathematics A\*, Physics A\*, EPQ A\*

**Degree:** Chemistry



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# Who can apply?

## Successful past students – The University of Oxford

### Student 1

**GCSEs:** 7 x grade 9, 1 x grade 8, 1 x grade 7

**A levels:** English Literature A\*, French A\*, Politics A\*, History A\*, EPQ A\*

**Degree:** Law



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# Why are you an Early Entry student?

Hear from some of our current students.



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# What do you gain from the programme?

- Support and guidance securing relevant experience
- Preparation for the UKCAT
- Choosing the right university / medical school / college
- Personal statement support
- Preparation for interviews
- Super-curricular activities
- Talks from former students
- Exam preparation



# Work Experience

It is important for Medicine, Veterinary Science and Dentistry that a student has a strong portfolio of work experience.

There are lots of online alternatives in the post COVID situation, however universities are once again now expecting face to face experience to have taken place where possible.

E.g. Volunteering at hospitals, care homes, GP practices

E.g. Dentistry practices, hospitals

E.g. Large animal and small animal experience





# Typical Requirements – some useful links

- <https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/applying/entrance-requirements>
- <https://www.medschools.ac.uk/studying-medicine/making-an-application/entry-requirements>
- <https://university.which.co.uk/advice/a-level-choices/what-a-levels-do-you-need-to-become-a-dentist>
- <https://www.ucas.com/ucas/subject-guide-list/veterinary-science>



# Example Summer Schools / Visits / Conferences in recent years have included:

- Pembroke North Super curricular scheme
- Oxford / Cambridge Open days
- Uniq Summer Schools (Oxford)
- Sutton Trust (Research placements)
- Oxbridge Student Conferences (Liverpool)
- Keele Medical Day / Steps2Medicine
- North West Science Network @ Corpus Christi College
- 'Making Maths' @ University of Manchester
- Cambridge University Master Classes





# Thank you for listening to this presentation

All the information given can be accessed on the school's website:  
[www.brineleas.co.uk](http://www.brineleas.co.uk)



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