



Recruiter Day 2023

The Cambridge landscape

**CAREERS
SERVICE**

Some Cambridge numbers

1209

Year the University
was founded

315,000+ living
alumni

~ 25,000 – students

~12,500 – members
of staff

210 Olympic
medallists

121 Nobel
Laureates

47 heads of state

31 constituent
colleges

6 Schools

3 terms of 8 weeks

Collegiate Cambridge

The University is a confederation of Schools, Faculties, Departments and Colleges. – it's a complicated structure which can be difficult to navigate for employers!

“With its 31 Colleges, 100 plus Faculties and Departments, and a wide range of other institutions, centres and facilities, including libraries, museums and gardens, Cambridge has a diverse and complex structure that has evolved over many centuries. The University is a democratic, self-governing institution and its governance and organizational structures are both distinct and integral to each other.”

University Admission

- Entrance to Cambridge for undergraduate degree programmes is highly competitive and the students admitted are academically outstanding.
- For 2021 entry, the University received 22,717 applications for 3,654 planned places. The typical offer for UK students applying to STEMM subjects and Economics is A*A*A at A Level and A*AA for all other undergraduate Triposes.
- More than 70% of UG students are from state-sector schools and colleges
- Students must meet English language requirements of 7.5 IELTS or equivalent if their first language is not English
- **Colleges select their own students, subject to University regulations, and most admit both undergraduate and postgraduate students.**



Undergraduate Education

- A Tripos is a full-time, undergraduate bachelor's degree.
- Students studying a Tripos are required to be a member of a College (matriculation) and be resident at the University for at least nine terms.
- There are 32 Triposes, covering more than 65 subject areas and most are three-year degrees.
- Engineering, Mathematics and all science subjects offer an optional fourth year, which leads to an integrated master's award, e.g. M. Eng, M. Sci or M. Math Degree.
- There are 49 additional undergraduate Certificates and Diploma courses offered through the Institute of Continuing Education



Teaching

Teaching takes place in Colleges, Faculties and Departments

The Colleges are responsible for the structured oversight of students' academic learning and personal/professional development led by Directors of Studies (DoS) for each Tripos in each College.

Colleges provide undergraduate teaching on an individual or small-group basis through supervisions which promote interdisciplinary exchange and networking.

Colleges also provide extensive pastoral support through the tutorial system.





Marking and Assessment Boycott

- The marking and assessment boycott began on 20 April 2023 and is scheduled to continue until 30 September 2023. During this period, staff who take part in the boycott will not mark or assess students' work.
- Regrettably, this will mean that affected final-year students and Masters students will not be awarded their degree this summer, and continuing students cannot be informed that they have obtained the required marks to progress onto further study.
- Some postgraduate students will also be impacted if their corrections cannot be confirmed, or their award cannot be approved by their Degree Committee.
- Where possible degrees and classifications will be confirmed, or students provided with access to their provisional marks
- **All degrees and final classifications will be awarded once the marking and assessment boycott has finished or been brought to an end.**