

Organ Scholarship Application Form Guide - 2024 entry and deferred 2025

If you are applying for an Organ Scholarship, you must complete this questionnaire in addition to your UCAS application in order to be considered. The Organ Scholarship Application Form must be submitted by **1 September 2023**. The deadline for submitting your UCAS Application is **16 October 2023**.

You can find more information about Organ Scholarship applications here:

<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/finance/music-awards/organ-scholarships>

Please note that you will need to complete this application form in full in one sitting, so please make sure you have all the information to hand by reading this guide thoroughly before commencing the questionnaire.

College vacancies and course restrictions can be found [here](#).

Please note that the vacancy list is up to date at the time of the application form opening. However, there is a small chance that the College Organ Scholarship vacancy list may change after the **21 August 2023**. If you are unsure of your College preference list, you may wish to wait to complete the form until after this date.

In the event of technical issues and difficulties when submitting the online form, please contact admissions@cam.ac.uk.

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Personal Details

Question 1

Please enter your title (i.e. Dr, Miss, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mx, etc.)

Question 2

Please enter your family/surname name

Question 3

Please enter your given or first name

Question 4

Please enter any additional/middle names (if any)

Question 5

If you have a preferred name that differs from your first or given name, please provide it here

Question 6

The UCAS Personal ID is a ten digit number provided to the applicant when they register with the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) – it is displayed in a 123-456-7890 format on every email UCAS sends the applicant.

If you already have a UCAS Personal ID (PID), please select 'Yes' and enter it in the box provided in number format only, otherwise please select 'No' and move to the next question.

Question 7

Please provide your date of birth using the drop boxes provided.

Question 8

To make a valid application you must provide a passport-style photograph of yourself, which you can upload here. The photograph is not part of the selection process, but if you are invited to interview it is used for security purposes and to assist interviewers in identifying applicants; therefore it must be a recent photograph, and certainly taken within the last six months.

Please ensure that:

- the photo shows your face clearly
- you are facing the camera and have your eyes open
- there is nothing covering your face or eyes, for example, sunglasses
- there is no-one else in the picture
- there are no shadows over your face

Avoid wearing glasses

If you must wear glasses to take the photo, ensure:

- the frames do not cover your eyes
- the lenses are clear
- there is no glare, reflection or shadow

The photo needs to:

- be in portrait orientation (840px high by 700px wide)
- be clear and in focus
- be in colour
- have a plain, light-coloured background
- be a minimum of 25 KB
- be a maximum of 10 MB
- be a .jpg file
- be larger than 640 x 480 pixels

Question 9

If you are unable to provide a digital photograph please contact Cambridge Admissions Office: admissions@cam.ac.uk as soon as possible.

If you have uploaded a picture successfully, please select 'I confirm this is a true likeness of myself'.

Question 10

Please select your Gender - Please note, this question appears in the format that is presented on UCAS.

Question 11

If you have a disability or specific learning difficulty noted on your UCAS application, please select 'Yes', if you have not specified a disability or specific learning difficulty on your UCAS application please select 'No'. If you are unsure as to whether you have a disability or specific learning difficulty or do not wish to disclose so at this time, please select 'Unsure'.

For further information about this question, see the relevant section on UCAS:

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/individual-needs/disabled-students#the-ucas-application>

Question 12

Please enter your email address in the box provided.

It is important that these details are correct, as we will use them to contact you about your application.

Question 13

Please enter your full address in the boxes provided.

It is important that these details are correct, as we will use them to contact you about your application. If your contact details change after submitting your application, please inform the Admissions Office of your first preference College, details of which can be found here (<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/colleges/college-contacts>).

Question 14

Please add a mobile telephone number. If your number is not a UK number, please ensure you enter it correctly formatted with the correct country code.

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College Preferences

Question 15

Using the drop down menu provided, please list your Cambridge College and year of entry preferences from first to last. For more information about selecting your preferences, please see the Organ Scholarships page here: <https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/finance/music-awards/organ-scholarships>. If you would like to add more preferences, please see Question 16 below.

Please note:

Not all subjects are available at all Colleges; see the Undergraduate Study website (<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/courses>) for details.

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Question 16

If you would like to declare more College preferences, please select 'Yes'.

Pages 2b and 2c

College Preferences (Continued)

Question 16a

If you selected 'Yes' to Question 16 the option to add a further ten College preferences will appear when you proceed to the next page. If you select 'No', you will be directed to Question 17.

Question 16b

If you require further options, please click 'Yes' on this option and a further five options should become available to you when you proceed to the next page.

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College Preferences (Continued)

Question 17

Please indicate whether you are applying to Cambridge only, or to both Cambridge and Oxford.

If applying to both Cambridge and Oxford, please select the option that best describes your preference of University.

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Musical Experiences

Question 17a

If you declared that you are applying to both Cambridge and Oxford on the previous page, a further question will appear asking you to declare what your first choice College is for Oxford. Please note, only your first choice is required, you do not need to list further Oxford Colleges.

If you selected 'Cambridge only' on Page 3 you will be taken directly to Question 18 below.

Question 18

Please list up to four instruments you play, from strongest to weakest. Please indicate the highest standard or highest grades attained. If you play more than four instruments, please only indicate the four you feel are the strongest and most relevant to your Organ Scholarship application.

Question 19

Please detail in this box what Musical experience and achievements you have. You should concentrate on any experiences you have of Organ playing, but you should also ensure you provide a good overview of any wider musical experiences you have to date.

Please note that you are limited to 4000 characters including spaces. The characters you have remaining are indicated below the text box.

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Application details

Question 20

Please select the course or subject you are applying to study at Cambridge from the dropdown menu.

Please note:

In some Colleges, Organ Scholarship awards are not normally available to applicants planning to study certain subjects. You can find further information here:

<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/finance/music-awards/organ-scholarships/vacancies>

If you select any of the following courses, on the next page you will be asked to select a specialisation. For more information on each specialisation, please see the relevant course page.

- Asian and Middle Eastern Studies,*
- History and Modern Languages,*
- Mathematics,
- Modern and Medieval Languages,*
- Natural Sciences.

*When choosing your specialisation '*ab initio*' refers to starting the language without any previous experience.

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Admission Assessments

Question 21

If you stated in the previous question that you are applying to any of the following subjects you need to register for the relevant Admissions Assessment:

- Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology
- Computer Science
- Economics (excluding applicants to mature Colleges)
- Engineering
- Law
- Medicine
- Natural Sciences
- Veterinary Medicine

Please state if you have registered or will register for the relevant Admissions Assessment. More information on pre-registration required Admissions Assessments can be found here: [Written assessments: pre-registration required | Undergraduate Study \(cam.ac.uk\)](#)

If you are not applying for any of above subjects, please select 'This is not applicable to me ...'

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Extenuating Circumstances

Question 22

Please indicate if a teacher or other qualified professional is likely to submit an Extenuating Circumstances Form (ECF) on your behalf by selecting 'Yes' or 'No'. If you are not certain at the time of completing this questionnaire, please select 'Unsure'.

You can find out more about the Extenuating circumstance form [here](#).

If you are unsure if an ECF should be submitted, please contact your chosen College (<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/colleges/college-contacts>).

If the information in your ECF relates to disruption or disadvantage through health or disability (i.e. disability, Specific Learning Difficulty, long-term health condition or mental health condition), we strongly encourage this to be disclosed.

You can disclose a disability or health condition at any time by contacting the College assessing your application, but the sooner you do, the sooner we can determine any reasonable adjustments that may be necessary and ensure any required support is in place.

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Current/Prior Education

Question 23

If you are currently studying at another University please select 'Yes', otherwise please select 'No'.

Question 24

Please list the full name of the School, College or University currently, or last, attended.

If these details change after submitting your application, please inform the Admissions Office of your College of preference (<https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/colleges/college-contacts>).

Question 25

Please provide the full address of the School, College or University listed in Question 24.

Question 26

Please provide a contact number for the School, College or University listed in Question 24. Please ensure to include the local area code and, if outside the UK, the correct country code.

Question 27

Please add the date you began studying at the School, College or University listed in Question 24, in the format of MM/YYYY (Month, Year). You do not need to specify the exact day.

Question 28

Please add the date you are expecting to finish, or have finished, studying at the School, College or University listed in Question 24, in the format of MM/YYYY (Month, Year). You do not need to specify the exact day.

Question 29

If you have completed GCSEs at a UK school, please enter the name and post code of the school. If this is the same school as listed in Question 24, please duplicate this information here.

If you did not complete GCSEs at a UK school, please leave this question blank and move on to the following question.

Question 30

Please list in chronological order the schools and colleges you have attended since you were 11. You do not need to re-enter the details of the school or college detailed in Question 24. If you have only attended the school or college listed in Question 24 since age 11 please leave this question blank and move on to Question 31 below.

Please include the name of the schools, their postcodes and the country in which the school is situated.

Question 31

You may be required to submit a High School Transcript in English as part of your application. Please check the [Undergraduate Study Website](#) carefully to find out whether a transcript is required from you.

If a transcript is required, you must submit it by the relevant application deadline to your first preference College. If you are attending/have attended a university, you must submit a University Transcript in English. If you a transcript is required and one is not received, your application will not be considered. Please note that all translations must be certified translations by a registered translator.

If you are required to submit a Secondary/High School and/or University Transcript please select 'Yes', otherwise please select 'No'.

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Current/Prior Education (Continued)

Question 31a

If you have indicated that you are required to submit a transcript as outlined on the [Undergraduate Study Website](#), please confirm that you acknowledge that your application will be invalid if you have not submitted a High School and/or University Transcript by the relevant application deadline by selecting 'Yes'. If you indicated that you do not need to submit a transcript you will be directed to Question 32 below.

Question 32

If you are currently attending a school or college (or have finished schooling in 2023) please enter the qualifications, AS/A Level (or equivalent), you are currently taking, or have just completed but have not yet received your results for.

Please give details of the approximate number of students in your classes and the main topics covered in each of these subjects. Information on topics is requested to help our interviewers compose appropriate and relevant questions for you; therefore please include topics covered up until December 2023. Abbreviations are acceptable, but must be clear to someone who is familiar with the subject/qualification in question. Please complete one row for each subject studied in each year.

Applicants who left school/college before 2023 should not complete this question.

Question 33

If you were or are unable to take a particular (or set) of AS/A Level subject(s) at your school or college (because it wasn't offered, or because of timetabling constraints, or another reason), can you please detail the qualification you wished to take here with a brief summary of why you were unable to take it.

There is a limit of 300 characters including spaces, so please limit summaries to only a few words where possible.

Question 34

Please offer a brief summary over whether your school or college is in a position to provide extra support for applicants to Cambridge, either generally or for specific requirements such as for STEP Mathematics.

There is a limit of 300 characters including spaces, so please limit summaries to only a few words where possible.

Question 35

If you have had any disruption or difficulties to the teaching of your AS/A Level (or equivalent) courses can you please provide a brief summary here.

There is a limit of 300 characters including spaces, so please limit summaries to only a few words where possible.

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Current/Prior Education (Continued)

Question 36

Please list all qualifications you have completed and have received certified results for.

Question 37

Please list all qualifications you are currently taking that have not yet been completed and/or have not yet received certified results.

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Residency

Question 38

Please indicate your country of birth using the dropdown menu.

Question 39

Please enter your place of birth (nearest major town or city).

Question 40

Please list your nationality. If you have more than one nationality please indicate which you consider to be your primary nationality. If you do not do so, the first nationality listed will be considered your primary nationality.

Question 41

Please enter your country of ordinary residence since 1st September 2021 not solely for educational purposes.

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Personal Statement and Additional Information

Question 42

Please enter your personal statement as it is, or intended to be, on your UCAS application. We recommend that where possible you copy and paste this from UCAS directly.

Question 43

If there are any further details about your application that you wish us to know, please enter them here. If there are further relevant qualifications that you were not able to list earlier in the questionnaire you can also enter them here.

Question 44

If you are currently eligible for Government-funded Free School Meals at a UK school or College, or have been within the past six years, please select the relevant option to your situation. If you were not eligible for Government-funded Free School Meals at a UK school or College please select 'No'. If you prefer not to disclose this information at this time, please select 'I prefer not to say'. If your schooling was outside the UK please select 'Not applicable', please do not select 'No'.

Question 45

Please enter the details of your UCAS referee. Please ensure that the telephone number includes any local or international codes and is correctly formatted.

Question 46

Please enter the details of your musical referee. Please ensure that the telephone number includes any local or international codes and is correctly formatted.

Question 47

Please carefully read the terms and conditions presented. If you are happy to accept these terms and conditions please check the 'I accept these terms and conditions' and submit your application by pressing 'Submit'.

After you have submitted your Organ Scholarship application you will receive a confirmation email with your submitted answers as an attachment. If you have not received this confirmation email, please check your Junk folder before submitting the form again as it is likely that the form has not been submitted correctly.