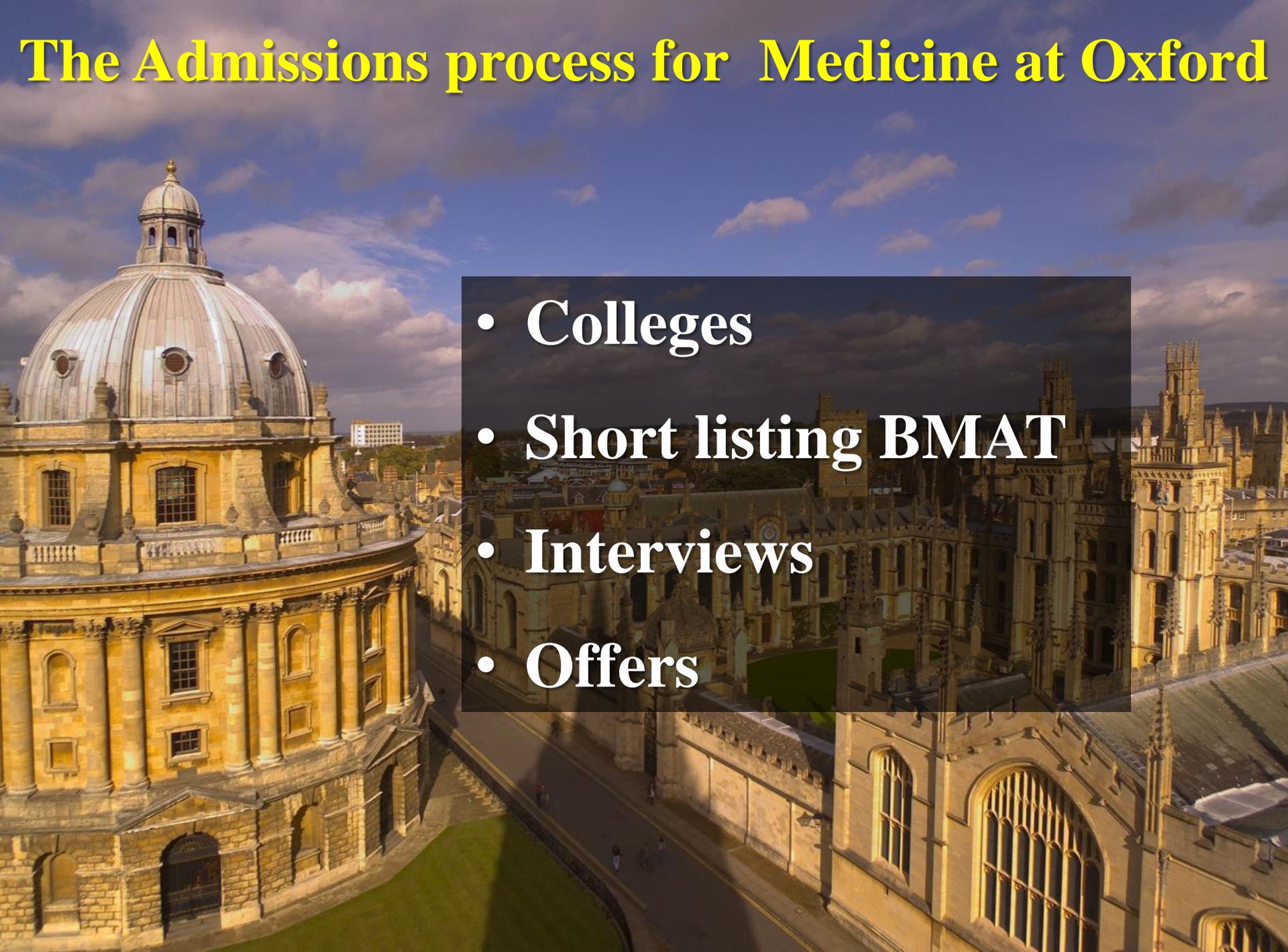


The Admissions process for Medicine at Oxford

An aerial photograph of Oxford University buildings. On the left is the Sheldonian Theatre, a large circular building with a prominent dome. To the right and in the background are various Gothic-style buildings, including Christ Church, with their characteristic spires and stone walls. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds.

- Colleges
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The Colleges

There are 28 Colleges that admit medical students

(See the website <http://www.ox.ac.uk/colleges/>)

Colleges offers 4 - 6 places for medicine each year

**You can apply to a named college or you can make an
open application**



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The Colleges

Each college houses 200-500 undergraduates studying most subjects

They are small academic communities

Colleges are responsible for admissions

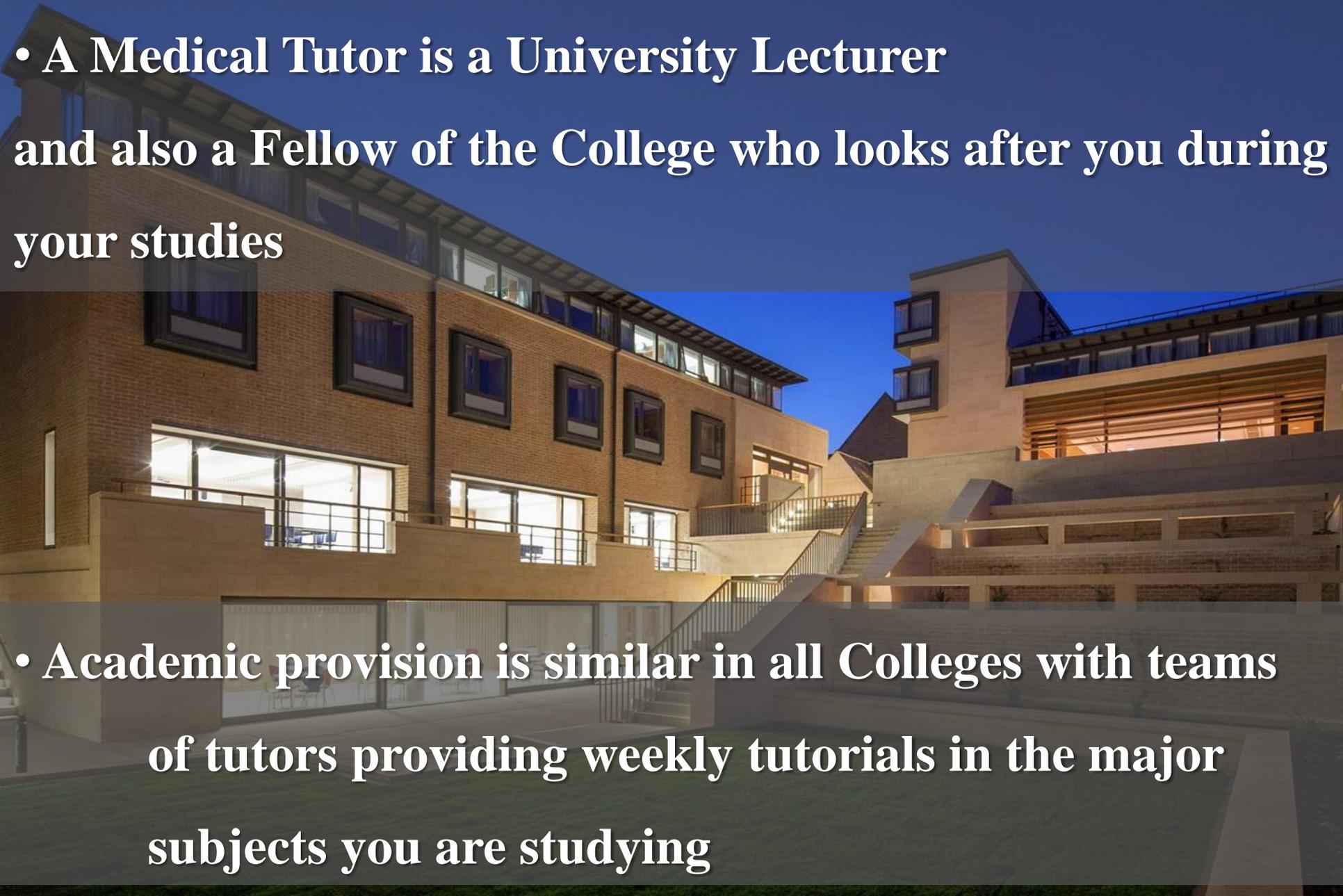
They provide:

- **Accommodation, food, and student facilities**
- **Tutorial teaching and pastoral support**
- **Financial support**

Colleges differ in location, age and size, but all offer the same experience

- **All Colleges have at least one Medical Tutor**
- **A Medical Tutor is a University Lecturer**
and also a Fellow of the College who looks after you during
your studies

- **Academic provision is similar in all Colleges with teams**
of tutors providing weekly tutorials in the major
subjects you are studying



Some Colleges are old some are relatively new



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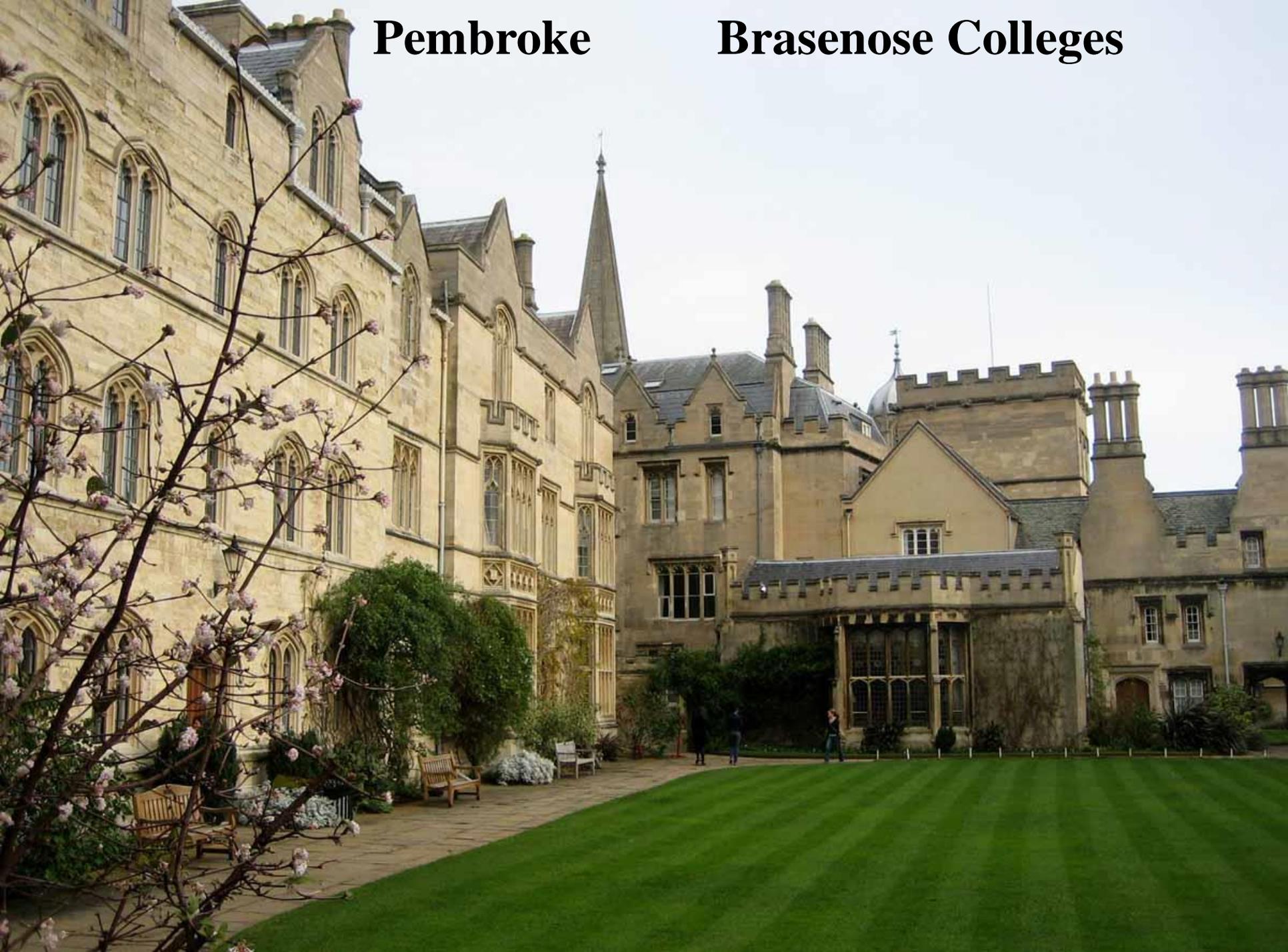
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PEMBROKE COLLEGE NEW BUILDINGS 2013



Pembroke

Brasenose Colleges



How does the application process work?





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The overall big picture

- **Admitting undergraduate students to the University of Oxford is done by the Colleges**
- **In Oxford Medicine, your application is processed centrally by the medical school so all Colleges do the same thing**
- **The medical school draws up a short list using criteria agreed by the Colleges and arranges for all shortlisted candidates to be interviewed at TWO colleges, one being that of the candidate's choice (if any) the second being allocated randomly**
- **Colleges then select their students, taking into account all the information available to them**



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In 2013:

**1,431 applicants - 425 interviewed
There were 159 offers made**

Conclusion:

**The competition is extremely tough 10:1
Many very good candidates can't be offered places!**



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The short-listing process

All applications are ranked together in a single list based on a combination of:

- BMAT score & “contextualized” GCSE results**

90% of shortlisted candidates are then simply drawn from the from the top of the ranking

The remaining 10% are hand-picked by a committee of tutors who will take into account special circumstances



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BMAT

ALL applicants MUST sit the BMAT

No specific preparation beyond GCSE-level science and mathematics is necessary, ensuring that the BMAT is accessible to all potential applicants irrespective of background

Registration deadline: 1 October 2014

Test date: 5th November 2014

www.bmat.org.uk/



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Entrance requirements

**3 A levels
to include Chemistry
+
Biology/Maths/Physics**

**Standard offer is A*AA
achieved at one sitting**

**Scottish Qualifications:
AA advanced higher
to include Chemistry plus
Biology, Mathematics or
Physics**

AAAAA at highers



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Entrance requirements

International Baccalaureat

**HL to include Chemistry +
Biology/Mathematics/Physics**

**Typical offer: 39
(7,6,6 at HL)**



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Interviews

- **The number and format of interviews may vary from college to college**
- **Most candidates receive two interviews at each college (4 interviews in total)**
- **Interview panels comprise academics, and at least one practicing clinician**
- **Personal statement often shapes part of the interview**



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Selection

- **Colleges rank candidates on the basis of the UCAS information and their interviews**
- **College tutors then get your BMAT score and the rank from your second college interview**
- **College Tutors choose the candidates who get offers**
- **Note about 30% of applicants get offers from colleges other than their first choice college**



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The evidence

Academic record

(GCSE, AS, A2 prediction)

personal statement

UCAS reference

BMAT score

Interviews at two colleges

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Regularly at the top of the National Student Survey, we are ranked 1st for Medicine in the UK by The Times Good University Guide 2010, The Guardian University Guide 2010 and the Complete University Guide 2010 in association with The Independent.

UNIQ Summer School in Medicine 2010

Successful applicants to the UNIQ summer school will enjoy a week in Oxford this July, living in one of the Oxford colleges and studying their chosen subject. 500 places are available to bright, motivated and enthusiastic students who would like the chance to see what studying and living in Oxford is really like.

Applications for the Summer School will remain open until 12 March 2010. See www.ox.ac.uk/uniq for full details.

Key Dates for Application (2011 Entry)

The admissions exercise for 2010 entry has now concluded. Applications for 2011 entry will be invited from summer 2010 - the closing date for candidates wishing to apply for entry in October 2011 will be 15 October 2010. All applications must be submitted via UCAS, and every candidate must register for the Biomedical Admissions Test (BMAT) which is scheduled to take place on 3 November.

Please note that our primary mode of communication with candidates is by email.

- BMAT standard entry closing date scheduled for end of September 2010.
- BMAT late entry closing date scheduled for mid-October 2010.
- UCAS application deadline scheduled for 15 October 2010.
- BMAT to be sat in local centres/school, scheduled for 3 November 2010.
- Short-listing decisions scheduled to be communicated to candidates by email on 29 November 2010.

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