

Applying for admission:
Research or M.Phil degrees

Computer Laboratory

Frequently asked questions

What is a GRADSAF?

- GRADSAF is the GRaduate ADmission and Scholarship Application Form
- All applications are submitted online from:
www.admin.cam.ac.uk/students/gradadmissions/prospec/index.html
- Application form is in two parts:
 - ☐ A = academic application
 - ☐ B = application for Gates and Cambridge Trusts' funding

What is a complete *research* application?

Current Cambridge undergraduates/MPhils only:

- GRADSAF submitted by deadline PLUS
- 2 academic references (1 personal for Trust funding)
 - ☐ Director of Studies/Course Adviser/Tutor
 - ☐ Project supervisor
 - ☐ Tutor or project supervisor from previous institution
- Research proposal
 - ☐ Section A12: **synopsis** of proposed research and proposed supervisor's name
 - ☐ 3,000-word research proposal submitted as a separate document

What is a complete *M.Phil* application?

Current Cambridge undergraduates only:

- GRADSAF submitted by deadline PLUS
- 2 academic references (1 personal for Trust funding)
 - ☐ Director of Studies/College Tutor
 - ☐ Project supervisor
- Questionnaire completed within 7 days of receipt
- Section A12: include *brief* synopses of proposed projects/essays (for funding competition purposes)
- Transcript downloaded from CamSIS

Which funding boxes do I tick?

- ☐ If non-EU, you may tick the Gates, Cambridge Commonwealth and Overseas Trust, and CISS boxes; you will also need to write a personal statement for Gates and another for CISS
- ☐ If EU, you may tick the Gates and CHESS boxes; you will also need to write a personal statement for Gates
- ☐ If a home student, you may tick the CHESS box
 - *EPSRC Doctoral Training grants, for home and eligible EU students, are considered by the department alone and there is no box to tick.*

Further information

- University's Graduate Admissions web pages:
<http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/students/gradadmissions/prospec/index.shtml>
- Computer Laboratory's admissions pages: Research:
<http://www.cst.cam.ac.uk/admissions/phd/>
MPhil: <http://www.cst.cam.ac.uk/admissions/acs/>
- Ask at Graduate Education Offices (FS03 and FS05)
- Email: cst-graduate-admissions@cst.cam.ac.uk