

Balliol College



Feedback on Undergraduate Admissions December 2018

Subject: Law, LSE and Law-Senior Status

Entry to study Law at Undergraduate level at the University of Oxford is extremely competitive, with over 1800 applications received in 2018. Over sixty of these were to Balliol, reflecting either applicants who had directed their application to Balliol, or open applications allocated to Balliol. This very high number of applications means only a minority of applicants can be invited for interview across the University.

All applicants were expected to sit the LNAT. Shortlisting was based on assessment of all the information in the UCAS form (including examination results and referee and personal statements), plus performance in the LNAT, plus consideration of relevant contextual information. In total, twenty of the Balliol applicants were shortlisted for interview.

All shortlisted applicants were invited to Oxford for interview; we offer applicants (principally from outside the EU) a Skype interview if they are unable to come to Oxford. Once interviews were completed all information was again considered in deciding to whom to offer places. This included performance at interview, together with reassessment of information present in the UCAS form and LNAT scores. Again contextual data was considered at this stage in making final decisions. Overall around 250 offers were made to read Law across the University, with six of these to read Law at Balliol.