

Frequently Asked Questions about the BMAT

What is the BMAT?

The BMAT is the BioMedical Admissions Test.

What skills / subjects does the BMAT test?

The BMAT is designed to assess a candidate's data handling and reasoning skills, their scientific knowledge and their ability to structure their thoughts in writing.

Do I need to take the BMAT?

The BMAT is required for entry to a medical or veterinary degree at the following universities:

- Cambridge University
- Imperial College London
- Oxford University
- The Royal Veterinary College
- University College London

What is the format of the BMAT test?

The BMAT is a two-hour written test consisting of three sections:

- **Section 1** – Aptitude and Skills (60 minutes; 35 multiple choice questions)
- **Section 2** – Scientific Knowledge & Applications (30 minutes; 27 multiple choice questions)
- **Section 3** – Writing task (30 minutes; 1 essay from a choice of 3)

When should I take the BMAT?

The BMAT test is only offered on the 4th of November 2009. Registration closes on the 30th of September and there is a late registration deadline of the 5th of October.

Where do I take the BMAT?

Students usually sit the BMAT at their school or college. Candidates who are not at school or college can find a test centre on the BMAT website: www.bmat.org.uk

Is there a fee for sitting the BMAT test?

The fee for UK/EU Residents is £32.10. There is a UK Residents late fee of £64.20.

When will I receive my score?

Results are released on the BMAT website (www.bmat.org.uk) on the 1st of December 2009.

How important is a high BMAT score?

Your BMAT score will form part of your application along with your UCAS Personal Statement, predicted A-Level exams, AS level results and Admissions Interview. A high BMAT score will ensure that you are submitting the best possible application.

I'm not happy with my score, can I re-sit?

You are only permitted to take the BMAT test once in each application year.

I'm interested in a Kaplan BMAT Preparation Course. Can you tell me more?

The Kaplan BMAT Preparation course has been developed by education experts to ensure that our students have every possible advantage on test day. Kaplan offers courses in a variety of methods so there is a course to suit your schedule.

Kaplan's BMAT classroom course

The Kaplan BMAT course is a 2-day course. The course focuses on teaching you strategies and techniques to enable you to move through the questions quickly on test-date.

Included in the BMAT course are:

- *Strategy Book* - The BMAT Strategy Book details Kaplan strategies for the question types found in the BMAT. It includes time management techniques, and score-building review sections to complete for homework and essay writing tips and guidelines.
- *Three Full-length Practice Tests* - The 3 full-length practice tests are to be taken during self study. These tests will increase your familiarity with BMAT-style test questions, the test format, and its timing. The BMAT practice tests will help build your confidence and stamina– so there will be no surprises on test day.
- *Extra Practice Materials* – Kaplan's popular Q-book will help you consolidate what you have learnt in class, providing you with additional practice questions for self study and even more essay questions for you to practice.
- *Ongoing Academic Support* - Course enrolment includes email access to your BMAT teacher until your test date. Teachers will be available to answer academic questions and to comment on your BMAT practice test essays.

Kaplan courses are available in London as well as in Birmingham, Manchester Cardiff and Leeds. Please see the next page for a timetable of our BMAT Classroom courses:

Course Code	Location	Date
BMAT 9901	Leicester Square	Sat 1 Aug – Sun 2 Aug
BMAT 9902	London Bridge	Thur 6 Aug – Fri 7 Aug
BMAT 9903	Leicester Square	Sat 8 Aug – Sun 9 Aug
BMAT 9904	London Bridge	Thur 13 Aug – Fri 14 Aug
BMAT 9905	London Bridge	Thur 20 Aug – Fri 21 Aug
BMAT 9906	Leicester Square	Sat 22 Aug – Sun 23 Aug
BMAT 9907	London Bridge	Thur 27 Aug – Fri 28 Aug
BMAT 9908	Leicester Square	Sat 29 Aug – Sun 30 Aug
BMAT 9909	Leicester Square	Sat 5 Sept – Sun 6 Sept
BMAT 9910	Leicester Square	Sat 12 Sept – Sun 13 Sept
BMAT 9911	Leicester Square	Sat 19 Sept – Sun 20 Sept
BMAT 9912	Leicester Square	Sat 26 Sept – Sun 27 Sept
BMAT 9913	Leicester Square	Sat 3 Oct – Sun 4 Oct
BMAT 9930	Birmingham	Sat 3 Oct – Sun 4 Oct
BMAT 9931	Manchester	Sat 10 Oct – Sun 11 Oct
BMAT 9914	Leicester Square	Sat 10 Oct – Sun 11 Oct
BMAT 9915	London Bridge	Sat 17 Oct – Sun 18 Oct
BMAT 9932	Cardiff	Sat 17 Oct – Sun 18 Oct
BMAT 9933	Leeds	Sat 17 Oct – Sun 18 Oct
BMAT 9916	Leicester Square	Mon 19 Oct – Tue 20 Oct
BMAT 9917	Leicester Square	Wed 21 Oct – Thur 22 Oct
BMAT 9918	London Bridge	Sat 24 Oct – Sun 25 Oct
BMAT 9919	Leicester Square	Sat 31 Oct – Sun 1 Nov

Kaplan's BMAT Live Online Course

Kaplan also offers BMAT courses Live Online. The course is conducted through live teacher-led sessions over the internet. Students receive the same course materials and are taught the same strategies and techniques as those attending our classroom courses. Please see below for a timetable of our BMAT Live Online courses.

Course Code	Date
BMLO 9935	Sat 22 Aug – Sun 23 Aug
BMLO 9936	Sat 12 Sept – Sun 13 Aug
BMLO 9937	Sat 26 Sept – Sun 27 Sept
BMLO 9938	Sat 10 Oct – Sun 11 Oct
BMLO 9939	Sat 14 Oct – Sun 15 Oct

How can I find more information?

Please visit the [BMAT pages](#) on our website or call us on 020 7930 3130 for more information.

How can I book?

Book online by clicking by visiting www.kaptest.co.uk or call us on 020 7930 3130.

Do you offer any BMAT Practice Questions?

Kaplan offers Free Practice Seminars at which students can find out more about the

BMAT format and question style and try a mini-test. These seminars are held at our London Centre near Leicester Square and are also available Live Online. Please [click here](#) for a BMAT Practice Seminar Schedule.