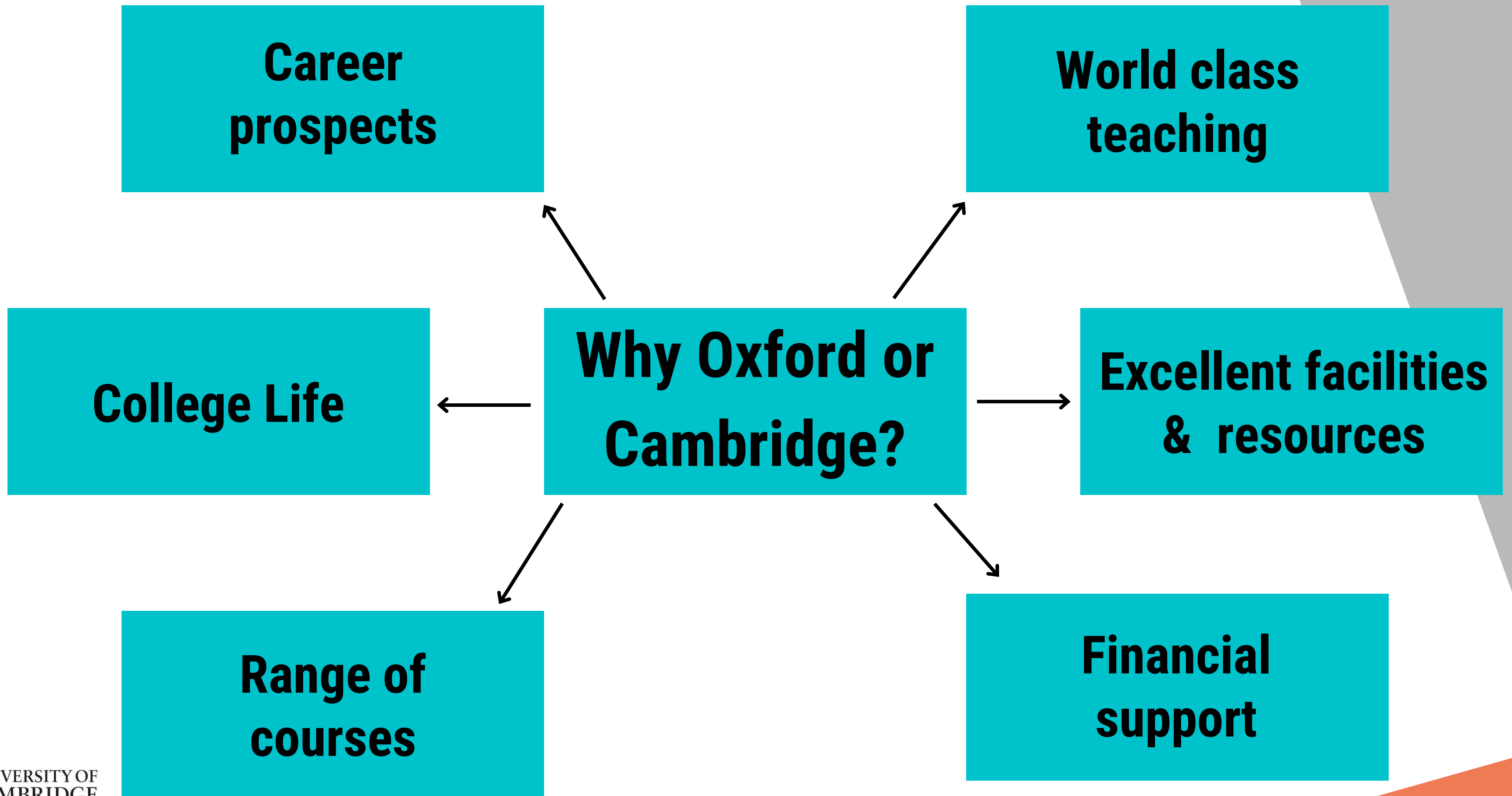


Applying to Oxford or Cambridge





TEACHING

Lectures

Seminars

Labs

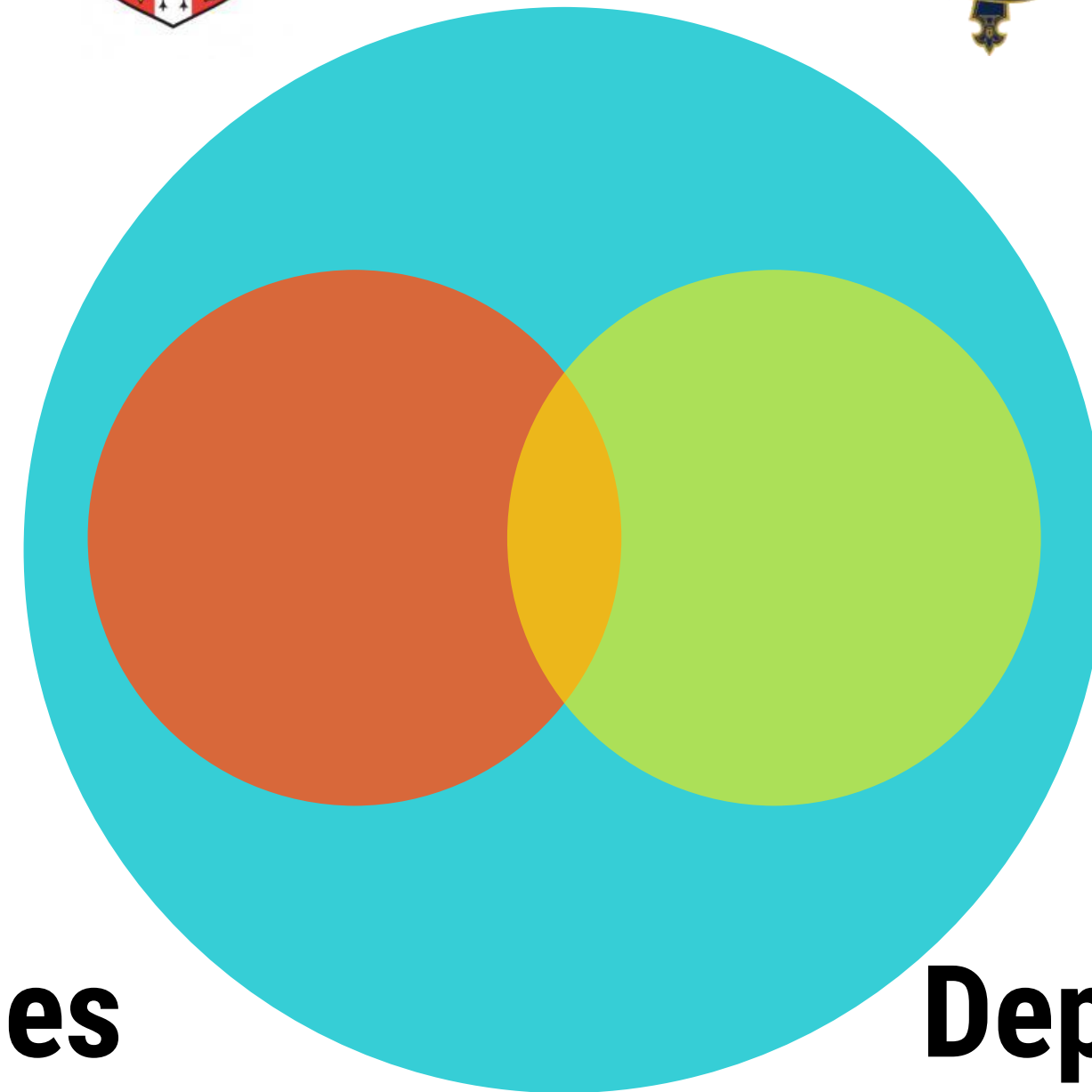
**Supervisions/
Tutorials**

**At Cambridge and Oxford you're taught by
those at the forefront of their field!**

HOW OXBRIDGE 'WORKS'



University



Colleges

Departments



COLLEGES

Admit students



Small group teaching

Accommodation, dining, recreation



Academic and pastoral care

Facilities for academic study



A student's 'home'

THE APPLICATION PROCESS



TYPICAL OFFERS

Cambridge:

A*AA - A*A*A

Oxford:

AAA - A*A*A

WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

**Academic ability
and potential**

**Commitment to
study**

**Independent
thought**

**Critical and
flexible thinking**

**Enthusiasm for
your subject**

**Personal
statement**

**Academic
achievement**

**Written work
(if requested)**

Interview

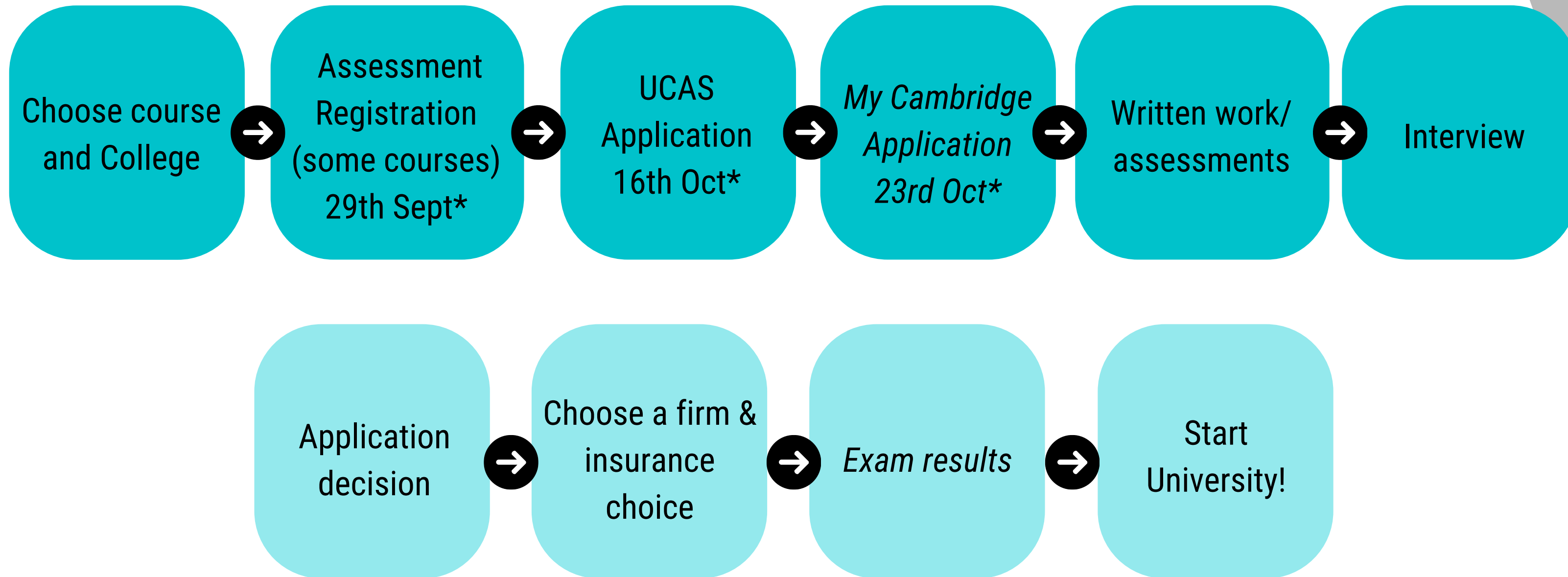
**Assessment
(if required)**

**Contextual
Information**

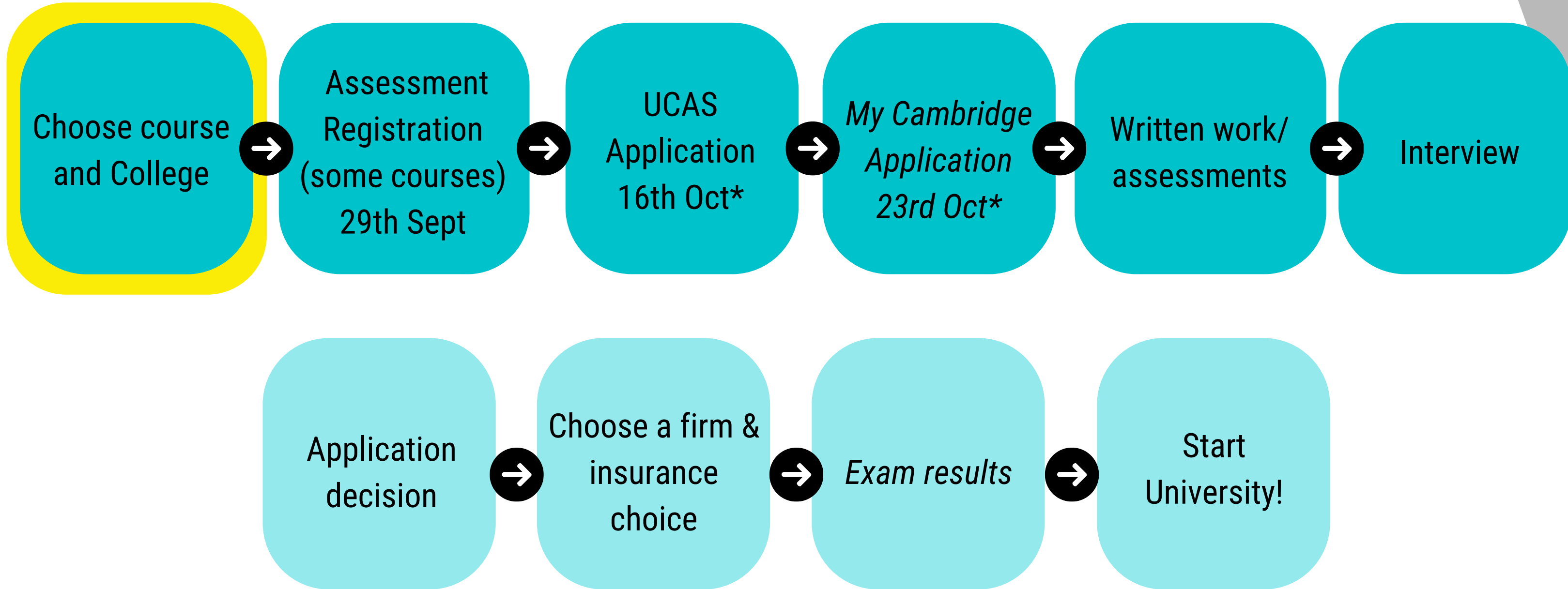
**Teacher
reference**



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CHOOSING A COURSE

**What do you
enjoy?**



**What are you
good at?**

**How do you
learn best?**

***What do you
want to do in the
future?***

CHOOSING A COLLEGE

Size

Age

Location

Course

**Do you feel comfortable
there? Does it feel 'homely'?**

CHOOSING A COLLEGE

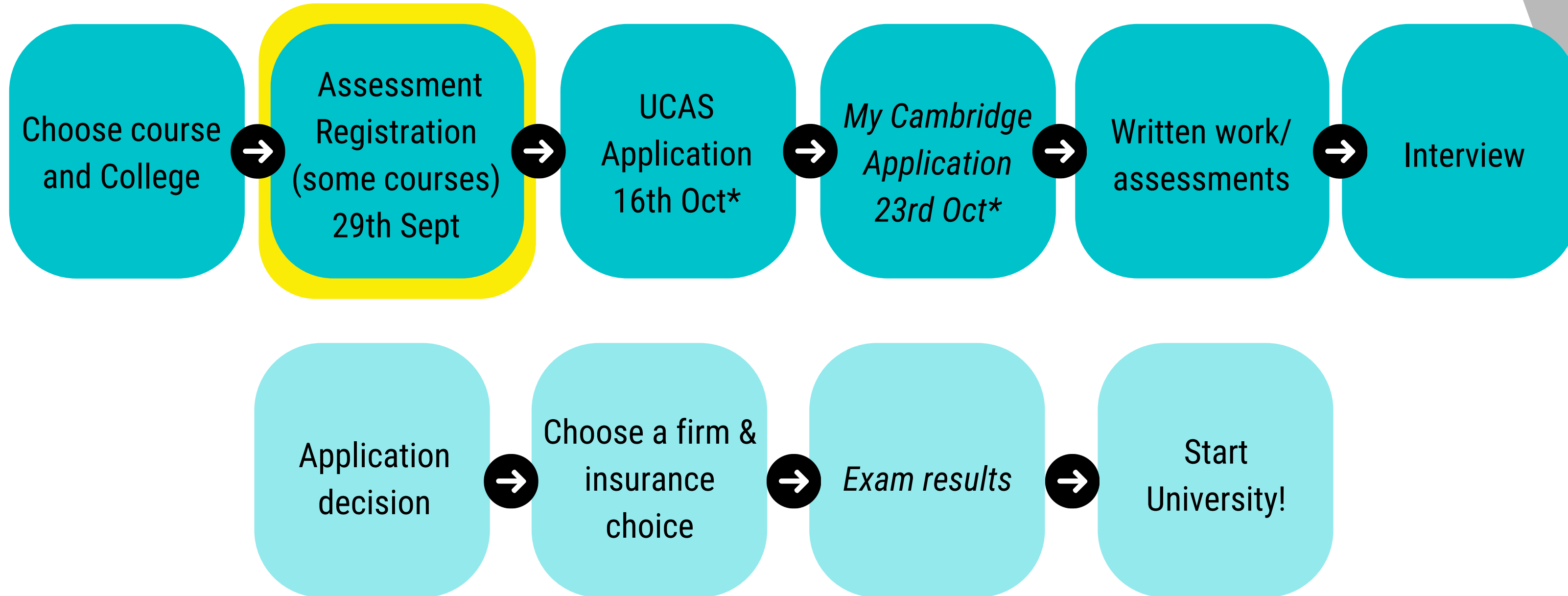
Virtual Tour

Webinars

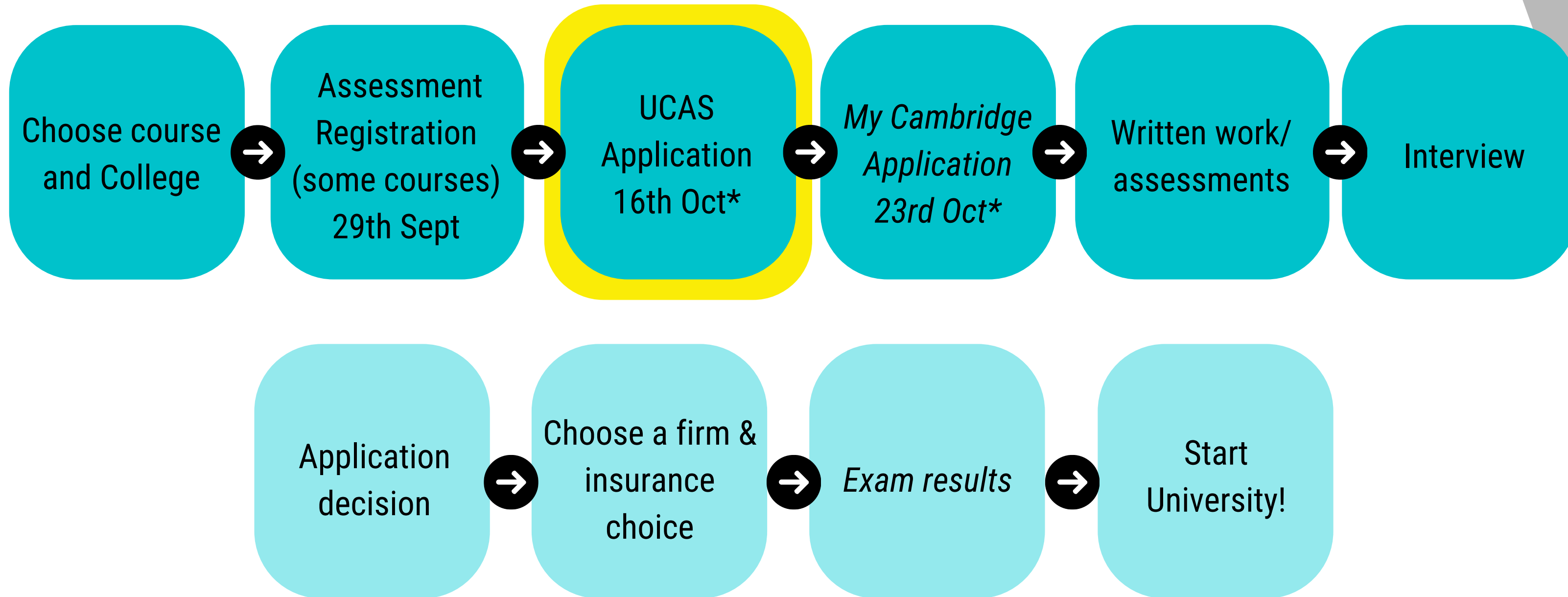
Open Days



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PERSONAL STATEMENTS

**Opportunity to sell
yourself**

**Suitability for chosen
course**

**Enthusiasm for
subject**

Exploration of subject

**Same form goes to every
university you apply to**

PERSONAL STATEMENTS

4,000 characters

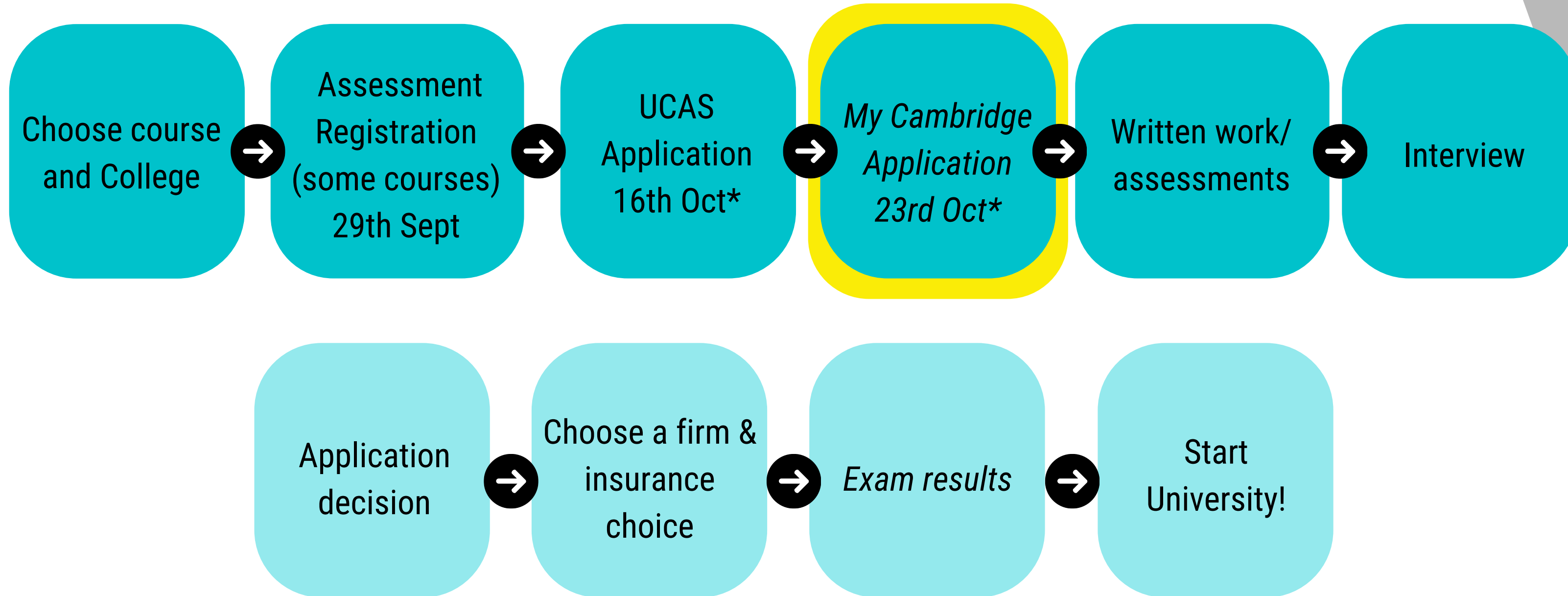
Essay structure

**Majority academic
related**

**Areas of particular
interest**

**Experience beyond the
curriculum**

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MY CAMBRIDGE APPLICATION

Cambridge only

**Sent to UCAS email
(check junk/spam!)**

**Mini Cambridge-specific
personal statement**

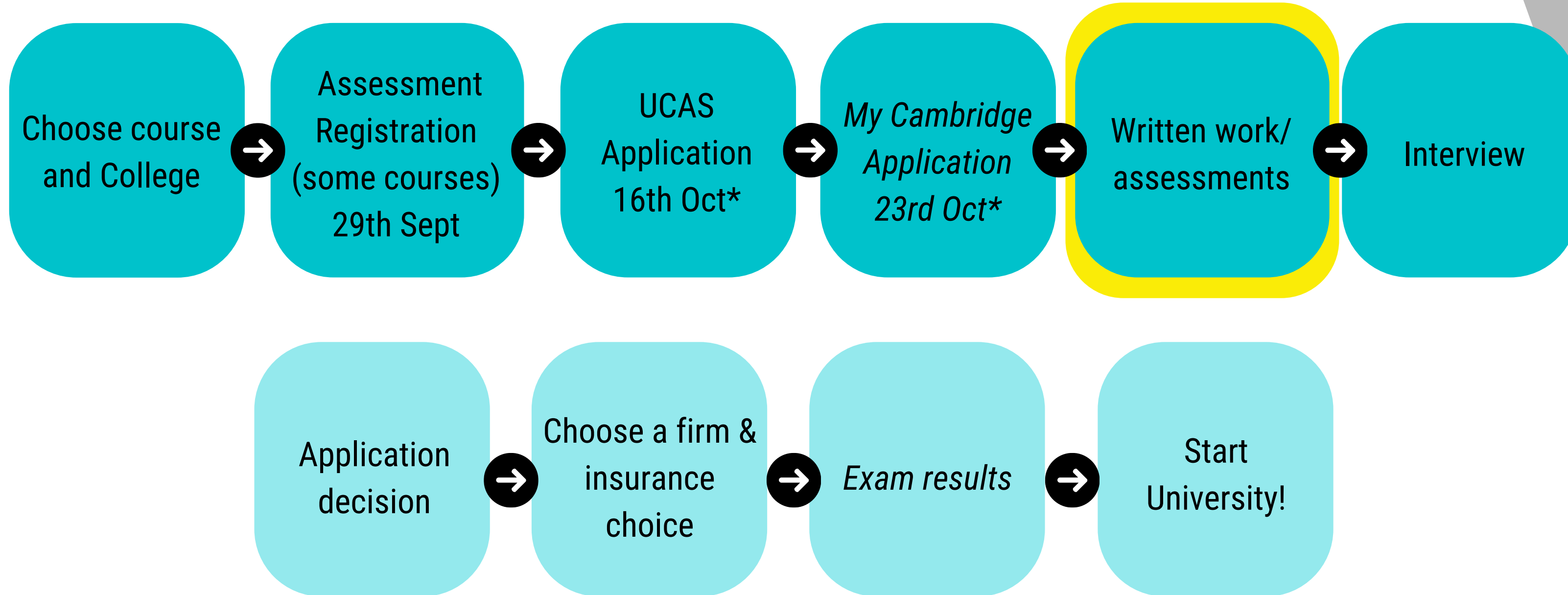
**Topics covered in A
level units**

**Options within certain
courses**

Photo

**Natural Sciences
Languages**

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ASSESSMENTS: OXFORD

LNAT



- Sit the LNAT before, or at the latest on, 16 October 2023

BMAT & TSA



- 18th October 2023

All other Oxford tests



- 19 October: CAT, Oxford ELAT, GAT, MAT and AMELAT
20 October: HAT, MLAT, PAT and Philosophy test

ASSESSMENTS: CAMBRIDGE

Pre-registration



- Check registration deadline
- NSAA, TMUA, ENGAA, BMAT, LNAT*
- 18th October 2023 (except LNAT)

College-registered



- No separate registration
- For applicants invited to interview
- Check course & College requirements

WRITTEN WORK

**Check subject &
College requirements**

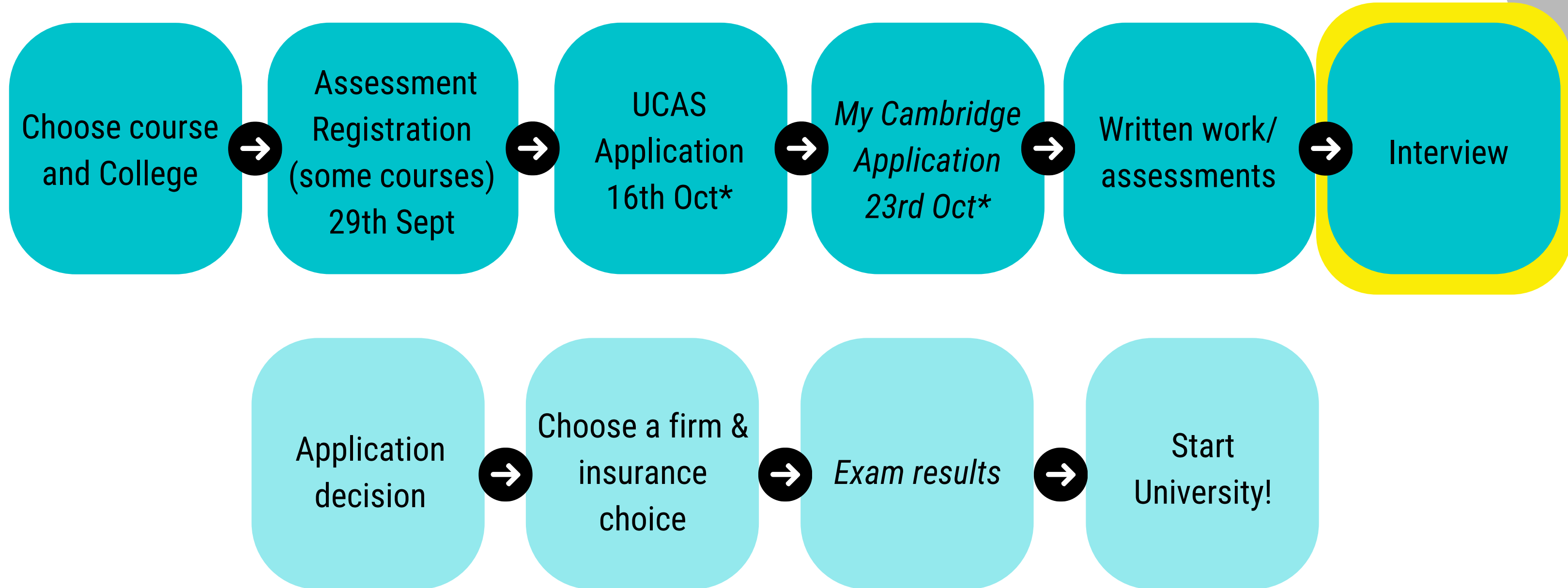
**Usually something
you've written as part
of your A levels**

**Choose something
you're likely to enjoy
discussing!**

**Something marked by
your teacher**



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INTERVIEWS

Academic in focus

**Intellectually challenging
and discussion based**

Not a quiz!

Carried out by academics

**Combine existing
knowledge with new
material**

Like a supervision

INTERVIEWS

**Usually 20-40
minutes**

**You'll be the only
candidates**

**Might be on one day,
might be over
different days**

**Usually one or two
interviews**



INTERVIEWS

We are looking for

Motivation for course

**Ability to think flexibly and
critically**

**Ability to apply knowledge to
new problems**

Openness to new ideas

We're not looking for

Pre-prepared answers

College choice

**Appearance or
'Oxbridge type'**

***There are no trick
questions!***

INTERVIEWS: PREPARING

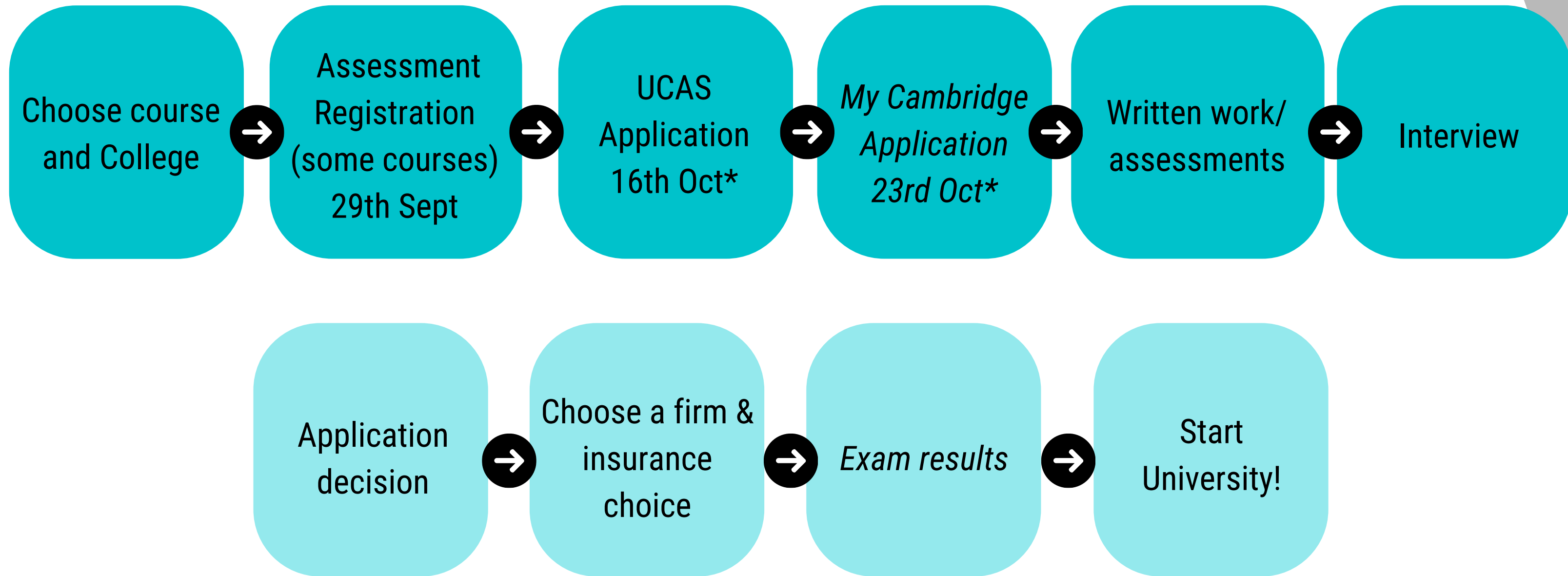
**Talk about your subject
out loud**

**Re-read and re-engage
with personal statement**

**Try thinking/working
through problems out loud**

**Arrive ready to engage
and discuss**

APPLICATION PROCESS



WIDER EXPLORATION



07 JUN **Pembroke College Biosciences Online Taster Lecture**
 Location: Online
 Pembroke is excited to be hosting a range of subject taster lectures this June!

09 JUN **Newnham College Essay Writing Masterclass Programme**
 Location: Online (via Zoom)
 Over 8 weeks, receive expert instruction on essay-writing and research, experience a Cambridge-style supervision, and get personalised feedback on an essay you've written...

12 JUN **Homerton College Subject Focus Session: Archaeology**
 Location: Online event (Zoom)
 Each Subject Focus Session will involve an introduction to Homerton College and Cambridge University from a member of our Admissions Team, followed by a taster session to give...

13 JUN **Teachers and Advisers' Webinar Series - Changes to Cambridge admissions in 2023**
 Location: Online
 Aimed at teachers and advisers supporting students to apply in 2023 for 2024 entry, this session will offer an overview of admissions and highlight the key changes we have made...

13 JUN **Pembroke College Maths Online Taster Lecture**
 Location: Online
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14 JUN **Pembroke College Chemistry Online Taster Lecture**
 Location: Online
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Outreach event calendar

Submit your next Oxford Outreach event (University outreach staff only).

Upcoming events

Search: Before: On or after: 09-05-2023 Audience: - Any - Location: - Any -

E.g. 09-06-2023 E.g. 09-06-2023

- 18 APR** **Historia Lectures**
 AGE 16-17 (YEAR 12), AGE 17-18 (YEAR 13) | STUDENTS
 ONLINE | 18 APR 2023 to 27 JUN 2023
- 10 MAY** **Modern Languages Study Day**
 AGE 16-17 (YEAR 12) | STUDENTS
 OXFORD | 10 MAY 2023
- 10 MAY** **History Skills Workshop - History Research Skills**
 AGE 16-17 (YEAR 12), AGE 17-18 (YEAR 13) | STUDENTS
 ONLINE | 10 MAY 2023
- 11** **Balliol College History Taster Day**

www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/events

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/increasing-access/events-calendar>

FINANCIAL SUPPORT



UNIVERSITY SUPPORT



- **College-owned accommodation**
- **Free or subsidised facilities**
- **Subsidised meals and entertainment**
- **Bursaries**
- **College grants and awards (travel, book, equipment)**

CAMBRIDGE BURSARY



- **Non-repayable bursaries for living costs**
- **Up to £3,500 per year**
- **Household income of below £62,215 (sliding scale)**
- **Additional grants for students who were eligible for Free Schools Meals (extra £1,000 per year)**
- **www.cam.ac.uk/cambridgebursary**

OXFORD



- **Crankstart Scholarships for UK Students (Household income below £32,000)**
- **Up to £5,800 per year non-repayable bursary**
- **Internship, work experience, volunteering programme**
- **Social and Events programme**

- **Oxford Bursaries (Household income of below £50,000 (sliding scale))**
- **Up to £4000 per year non-repayable bursary**

- **Additional grants (up to £3000) for care experienced students plus 365-day accommodation through college**
- **<https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/fees-and-funding/oxford-support>**

Q&A

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