



UNIVERSITY OF
CAMBRIDGE

ARCHITECTURE ADMISSIONS ASSESSMENT

Assessment Format

The Architecture Admissions Assessment will take place in individual Colleges in Cambridge before the subject interview. The assessment is one hour in length and consists of two parts. Part 1 is a 30-minute *writing skills* assessment; Part 2 is a 30-minute *graphic and spatial ability* assessment.

In Part 1, you will be asked to write a short essay in response to a question. You may be asked to discuss images.

In Part 2, you will be asked to observe and interpret a setting through drawing (either indoor or outdoor within the College premises).

You will be provided with HB or B pencils and a clipboard.

Part 1: Writing skills assessment

Is architecture a civic art? Illustrate your answer with reference to specific buildings, streets or other spaces you are familiar with.

You have 30 minutes to write your answer.

Part 2: Graphic and spatial ability

Using the paper, pencil and clipboard provided, make some quick sketches in the room to which you have been taken (College chapel); with or without people and including at least one architectural detail. Remember to write your name on the paper.

You have 30 minutes to complete your drawing. You may not use your own drawing implement.