

Dear Alumni,

If you should wish for written guidance on your UK and/or US application essays, please adhere to the following instructions and deadlines.

- 1) You are allowed to submit a maximum of once for your UCAS essay, and a further once for a US application for one school of choice.
- 2) Your essays should be **on Word Doc, Arial, font size 11.** Please do <u>not</u> send in other formats, or links.
- 3) Email us your essays at collegeadmissions.
- 4) The following deadlines apply:

Who	When to submit essays by
Cambridge applicants	23 Aug 2359h
Oxford/Med/Dentistry/Vet applicants	17 Sep 2359h
US Early applicants	15 Oct 2359h
All UK non-Oxbridge/Med and US RD	12 Nov 2359h
applicants	

We will respond within two weeks with feedback. The aim of feedback to help spur your independent thought and bring out your authentic voice, hence it is given only once.

Given the massive volume we deal with, late submissions will not be accepted. HEO will also be closed from 3 Dec 2021 for the processing of applications. So please help us by being on time, so that we can help all of you!

To-dos for feedback to be effective:

- Ensure you submit as finalized a draft as possible, as early as possible. This gives you sufficient time to refine your drafts post-feedback.
- **For UK applications**: state your list of colleges and majors in your word doc, ordered by preference. E.g.,
 - 1) College X, Major X
 - 2) College Y, Major Y
- For US applications: submit your 10+5, CA essay and full set of supplemental essays. This is for <u>one</u> school of choice, which should be named. This enables us to give you holistic and specific feedback on a full app. Lessons learnt can then be applied to your other apps.

Adhere to all instructions & internal deadlines in Timelines and the UK/US guides. Best of luck in your pursuits!

Your teacher-counsellors @ HEO Raffles Institution, July 2021