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# Eligibility Changes April 2019



# Oxford Brookes English Language Requirement

## *What's Changing?*

Oxford Brookes University have aligned their English Language Proficiency requirements with those of ACCA. This means students will not have to submit proof of proficiency in English language to be eligible for the BSc in Applied Accounting. This will make the degree available to a wider batch of students than before.

The changes are being formally announced in April, with an email communication being issued to students based on where they are currently on the ACCA journey, and are taking effect from the November 2019 submission window.

Students are being advised not to submit in May 2019, if impacted by the change, as this would not allow them enough time to prepare and could affect their performance.

The change also has the added benefit of allowing students who had previously been ineligible to now take part in the scheme. Details of how this applies to students are covered in the next slides.

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## *Opted In/Opted Out*

The original eligibility criteria asked students to provide evidence of ELP before passing any of the exams:

- Financial Reporting (FR)
- Audit and Assurance (AA)
- Financial Management (FM)

The change means we will allow students who have passed at least one of these exams to opt in and submit if they are still within their 10 years, going back to Nov 2009

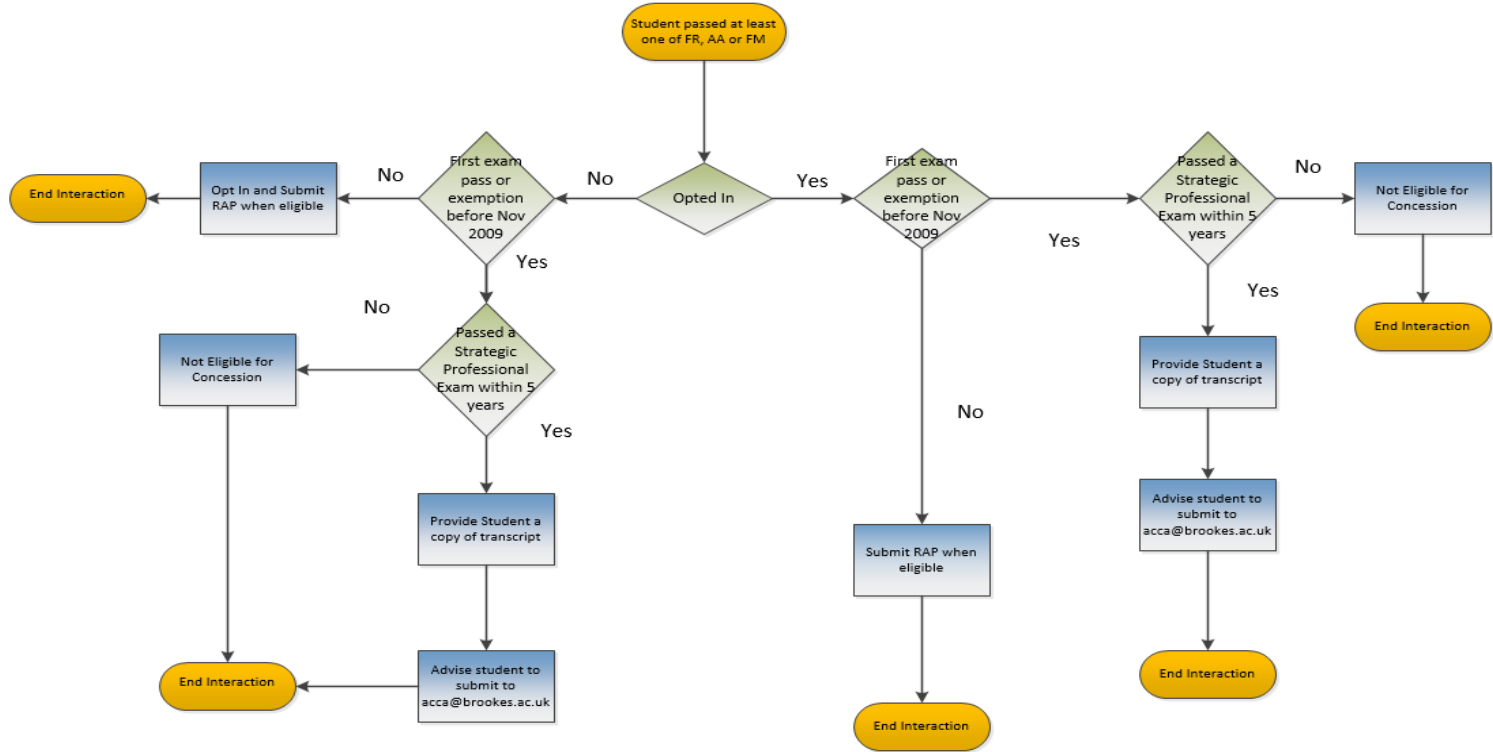
It also means if a student has opted in and their 10 year time has expired Oxford Brookes will consider a concession.

The student will need to demonstrate that their accounting knowledge is current and will be based on having completed an exam(s) at Strategic Professional level within the last five years. They will demonstrate this by providing a copy of their transcript directly to Oxford Brookes at **acca@brookes.ac.uk**

- Concession application period opens: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019
- Concession application period closes: 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020

If a concession is granted the student will be eligible to submit a Research and Analysis Project within a defined time period, advised to student by Oxford Brookes

# Oxford Brookes Process Flow



## What happens next?

- Oxford Brookes will update their website and info pack at the end of May, when the next submission window has closed
- These updates will include ACCA Branding
- Additional eligibility information will be added to ACCA website when May submission window has closed
- The Oxford Brookes Submission portal will remove the eligibility check at the point of registration

# FAQ's

How will eligibility be updated?	All students, affiliates and members who were opted in and within their 10 year timeframe will have the EP status updated automatically. This includes any inactive customers
If I'm not opted in what do I do?	Call Connect or email <a href="mailto:students@accaglobal.com">students@accaglobal.com</a>
If a concession has been granted will Customer Services see this?	No, this will only be visible to Oxford Brookes
Where do I submit my transcript to ask for a concession?	Directly to Oxford Brookes at <a href="mailto:acca@brookes.ac.uk">acca@brookes.ac.uk</a>
How quickly will I get feedback from Oxford Brookes?	Oxford Brookes will respond to all requests within 5 working days
I've completed the DipIFR Russian, am I eligible?	No, only students who complete FR as an English language paper will be eligible
Will myACCA account be updated to show eligibility	Yes, this request is with IT and an update will be provided once complete

# FAQ's

I'm an FIA student, what do I need to do	You will be automatically opted in when you transfer to the ACCA scheme
What can I do if I'm not eligible	If you can't take part in the Oxford Brookes scheme you still have an amazing opportunity to take part in the University of London MSc in Professional Accountancy
What if I apply today?	Any new applications received will be automatically given eligibility for Oxford Brookes



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**Questions?**

