Dear Tim,

I regret to have to drop my tutorial and am all too aware that it is inconvenient for my tutor to have to change his schedule at such late notice. I have already sent him an apology email, and I believe that my withdrawal now instead of later, after attempting the course material, will be better for both myself and for Mr. Horsewood. At the time of my application, I had a very strong interest in the subject of computational econometrics and had background in what I interpreted to be relevant to the subject matter. As my tutor has had a significantly different interpretation of my proposed course than I originally intended, this has caused me to lack the background required to do a good job in the class. Additionally, because my interests have changed significantly since my application (college is a time for rapid change for us as I am sure you understand, having been a first-hand witness to the amazing opportunities here in Oxford transform the Americans who arrive into citizens of the world over the course of a few short weeks), I could not anticipate that this tutorial would no longer be relevant to my education by the time I arrived here. Be that as it may, since I am here for such a short time I would really like to learn as much as I can from Oxford tutors and students while I am in this beautiful city. I apologize again for the inconvenience to all parties, and I hope that in the long run Mr. Horsewood may even prefer any other arrangements he can find for his time over teaching a student who has neither the acumen for nor interest in the subject of econometrics.

Very best,

Larry