

UCAS 2026



CHOICES AVAILABLE



Why higher education (HE)?



Essential for some career paths.



Develop new transferable skills and subject knowledge.



Increase your confidence and independence.



Broaden your experiences.



Show yourself what you can do.



Invest in your future.



Why higher education (HE)?



Earn while you learn – Get paid a salary while gaining hands-on experience and training.



Practical experience - Develop real-world skills that are directly relevant to your chosen industry.



Strong career prospects – Many apprentices are offered full-time jobs with their employer after completing the program.



Nationally recognized qualifications – Gain certifications that are respected and valued across the country.



Build a professional network – Connect with experienced colleagues and industry professionals early in your career.



Invest in your future.



Types of courses available

Single: study one subject.

Joint honours degree: divide your time 50:50 between two subjects.

Major/minor: study two subjects, normally at a 75:25 ratio.

Combined honours programme: study between two to four subjects, specialising in just two subjects in years two and three.

Modular courses: build a personalised course by choosing modules you're interested in.

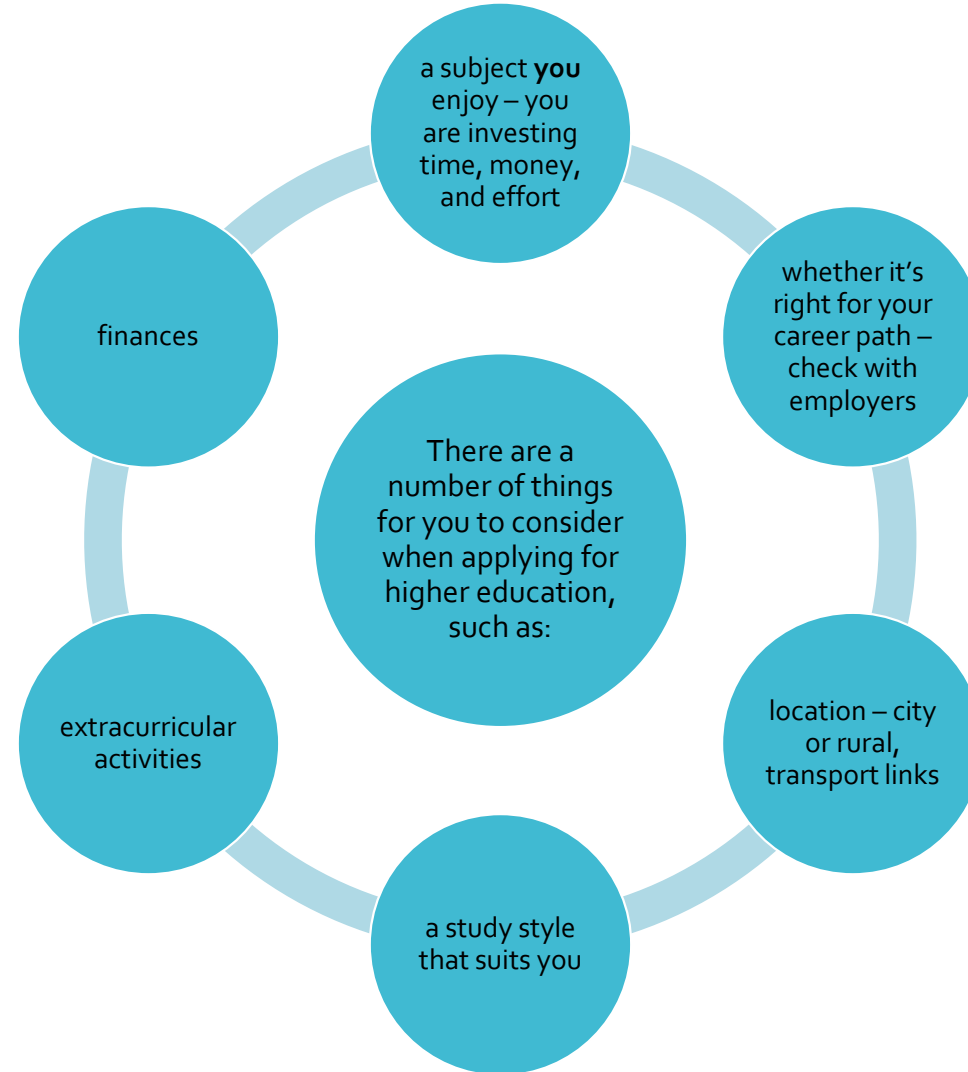
Placement Years: courses with one year in industry or a year abroad.

Foundation year: if you don't have the right qualifications, some universities and colleges offer this to help students prepare for and enter higher education.

Types of degrees:-**Bachelor of Arts (BA):** Often associated with humanities and social sciences. **Bachelor of Science (BSc):** Typically focuses on science, technology, and related fields. **Bachelor of Engineering (BEng):** For courses in engineering disciplines. **Bachelor of Education (BEd):** For those seeking to become teachers. **Other options:** Includes degrees like Bachelor of Law (LLB), Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MB ChB).



What's right for you?



Research – it's free!

Learning from others – [student videos](#) and [blogs](#).

[Career options](#) – use the [job profiles](#) to explore different career roles and pathways, or take the [Buzz quiz](#) to find out more about individual strengths, and what roles may suit you.

The [Career Finder tool](#) is ideal for considering options after education, including searching for apprenticeships.



Choosing the right university for you

Living costs – accommodation, transport, and food can vary enormously.

Tuition fees – can vary between course providers. Check if there are any scholarships or bursaries available.

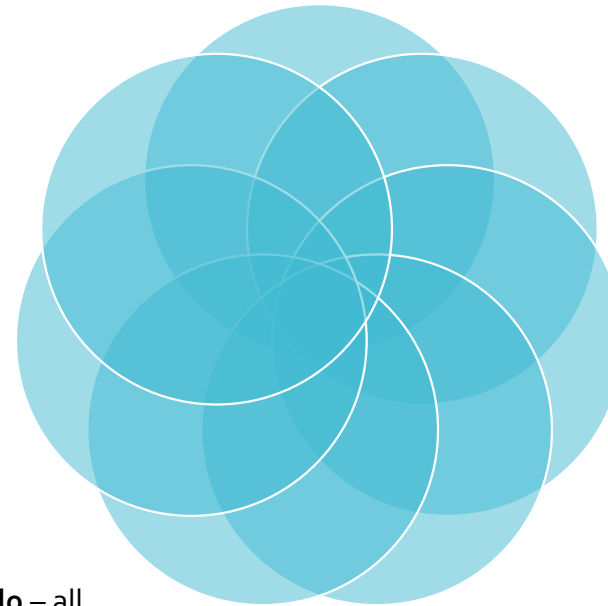
What graduates do – all universities collect destination statistics. It can be interesting to find out the types of jobs or further study students go on to.

Style – from the traditional, with a focus on subject-based courses and research, to modern universities, with a greater focus on vocational courses.

Location – some are based in large cities, others in smaller towns. This can have a major influence on the environment and lifestyle on offer.

Size – larger universities can have more than 20,000 students, whereas some of the smallest have only a few thousand.

Culture and facilities – influenced by a range of factors, including the diversity of students who attend.



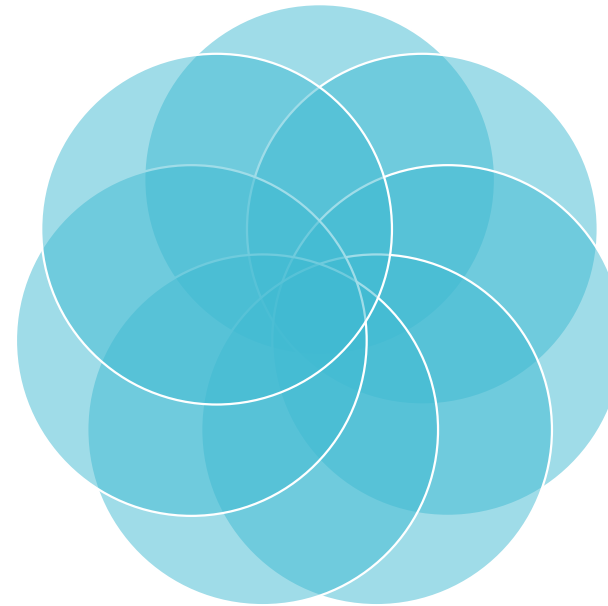
Choosing the right course for you

What does the course cover?

How is the course assessed?

How is the course taught – structured teaching, or more independent research? How many lectures are there, and how much group work will be done in seminars?

See if the course or university/college offers any internship, placement, or study abroad opportunities.



Courses with the same title may be very different.

Look carefully at the core course content, and the range of optional studies/modules available.

Which modules are the most interesting and relevant to your career aspirations?



Remember the 4 C's

- COURSE
- CAMPUS
- CITY
- CAREER



Apply - Key Facts...



- It is an online application



- You have a maximum of five choices



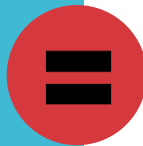
- If you are applying for:
 - medicine, veterinary medicine/science, or dentistry you can only chose a maximum of four plus 1 backup e.g. biochemistry
 - Oxford or Cambridge not both



- Application cost: £28.50



- 'Invisibility' the universities do not know where else you have applied



- Equal consideration to all applicants who apply before the deadlines





KEY DATES

13 May 2025

UCAS Undergraduate Apply opens for 2026 entry.
Conservatoire applications will open for 2026 entry on the 10 July 2025

2 September 2025

First day for receipt of completed applications.

2 October 2025

Deadline for most UCAS Conservatoires music courses. Check conservatoires websites for information.

15 October 2025*

Application deadline for courses in medicine,
veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry, and courses at Oxford or Cambridge.

14 January 2026*

Equal consideration application deadline.
Deadline for most conservatoire undergraduate dance, drama or musical theatre courses. You must check the specific course deadlines as these vary.

26 February 2026

Extra opens.

4 July 2026*

Last date for applications before Clearing.

5 July 2026

Clearing Opens

•*18:00 UK time





REGISTRATION

Go to www.ucas.co.uk and click on Create your UCAS Hub if you haven't created a UCAS HUB account already. This is where you will log in to access your application but also where you will be able to search for course and create shortlists.

UCAS Apply 2026 is now live. Follow the online instructions to register and enter your personal details i.e. name, date of birth, address etc.

When entering your email address use one that is appropriate/professional the universities and colleges will see it so make sure it does not cause offence!! It is best not to use your school email address as is disabled in August 2026 so you do not want the universities having an incorrect email address for you.

Choose a password, select four security questions and enter relevant answers (make a note of them and keep them safe). We do not have access to this information so please keep in a safe place.

Write down your Username and Personal ID number. You will need your username every time you log in! Again we do not have access to this information so please keep safe.

Link your application to the school the BUZZWORD is: ClassOf2026



UCAS HUB

The screenshot shows the UCAS Hub dashboard for a user named Rebecca. The page is titled "Your Hub" with the subtitle "Explore your options". The navigation bar includes links for Discover, Undergraduate, Postgraduate, Money & student life, Apprenticeships, and Careers. A search bar shows the user's name "Rebecca". Below the navigation bar, there is a "Hub" button and icons for "For you", "Favourites", "What to do", "Where to go", and "Search". A welcome message says "Welcome back Rebecca" and "You're applying for Undergraduate courses in 2025 - Change year". A "Start application" button is visible. The main content area features a "2025 Application" section with a "Start an application" button and a description: "Apply to universities and colleges to study degrees, HNDs, and HNCs and dance, drama and music at conservatoires." Below this is a "Your next steps" section with three cards: "DISCOVER WHAT TO DO" (Browse subjects and careers with related courses and apprenticeships), "What subject should I take?" (Read our subject guides to see what might be right for you), and "DISCOVER CAREERS" (Try our quiz and get recommended careers that match your skills and personality traits).

ucas.com/dashboard#/ UCAS Discover Undergraduate Postgraduate Money & student life Apprenticeships Careers Rebecca R

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Your next steps

DISCOVER WHAT TO DO

Browse subjects and careers with related courses and apprenticeships.
[Discover more](#)

FAQS

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DISCOVER CAREERS

Try our quiz and get recommended careers that match your skills and personality traits.
[Take the quiz](#)

FAQS

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Find out

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YOUR APPLICATIONS

Start an application

You can only apply once in a cycle - Do not apply more than once in a cycle, or submit a new application if you are holding a deferred place, as your new application will be cancelled and you won't receive a refund.

In which year do you want to start your studies? What level of study are you interested in?

Can't find the application that you are looking for? [Find out more](#)

Undergraduate

Degrees, HNDs, and HNCs

[Start 2025 application >](#)

Conservatoire

Undergraduate or postgraduate music, dance, drama, or musical theatre.

Applications not yet open

UCAS HUB

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UCAS HUB

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UCAS HUB

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Rebecca R

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Enter the Buzzword from your school, college, or centre

Your buzzword is for

Plymstock School, Plymouth

Church Road, Plymstock,
Plymouth, Devon, PL9 9AZ

Is this correct?

Yes No

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UCAS HUB

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UCAS APPLICATION





2025 Undergraduate application

Your Personal ID number
1856599809

 / UCAS application

Application status

Centre information
Application linked to
Plymstock School, Plymouth
Group
RCL
...

 CHOICES	 PROFILE	 PERSONAL STATEMENT	 Review and submit >
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Your **choices**

Search for courses
 Find courses and providers 



APPLICATION FORM

Sections

-  Personal Details
-  Nationality details
-  Where You Live
-  Contact Details
-  Supporting Information
-  More About You
-  Finance & Funding
-  Education
-  Employment
-  Choices
-  Personal Statement
-  Reference & Predicted Grades
-  Pay/Send



APPLICATION OVERVIEW

Your **choices**

[Search for courses](#)
Find courses and providers

+ Add choice

You can add up to 5 choices to your application. You can change your choices until you send your application to us. All sections must be marked as complete before you can send your application to us.

[Mark complete](#)

[Find courses and providers](#)

Profile

Personal details Name, age, title and gender Start this section	Nationality details Birthplace and nationalities Start this section	Where you live Tell us about your address history Start this section
Contact details Address, email and telephone Start this section	Supporting information So that providers know how to support you during your studies Start this section	Finance & funding Tell us how you'll fund your study Start this section

[Search for courses](#)
Find courses and providers

Experience

Education Qualifications and periods of study Start this section	Employment Paid employment Start this section
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Your **personal statement**

Personal statement
Why do you want to study this subject?
[Start this section](#)

[?](#)



Personal Details

Name

Date of Birth

Gender





Nationality
Details

Country of Birth

What is your nationality?

Dual Nationality





Where you live

Current Address

Date you started living at your current address

Reason for living there

Confirm if it is your home address

Residential category





Contact Details

Mobile telephone number

Email address

Address

Nominated Access





Supporting
information

Have you ever lived or worked in the EU, EEA or Switzerland?

Do you have a parent etc. who is an EU, EEA or Swiss national?





Finance & Funding

What will be your main source of funding for your studies?

Select: UK, ChI IoM or EU Student finance services

Student support arrangements

Select: Plymouth



The logo for Student Finance East of England (sfe) consists of the lowercase letters 'sfe' in white, set against a solid magenta square background.

STUDENT FINANCE

It is important to research what student finance you are eligible for to help with tuition fees for your course and cost of living you

For More information go to: <https://www.gov.uk/student-finance> <https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator>

Student Finance becomes available to apply for in late February early March of the year you are applying for. In your case 2026 with a deadline of end of May.

If you apply after the deadline your funding may not be ready for when you start University in September!!





Equality monitoring

Ethnic origin (compulsory)

What is your religion or belief (optional)

What is your sexual orientation (optional)

Do you identify as transgender (optional)

Have you been in care (optional)

Parental education (optional)

Occupational background (compulsory)





More About You

Do you have any disability or mental health concern

Are you estranged from you parents

Are you a Young Carer

Are you a parent

Are you a refugee or asylum seeker

Are you parent/s/carer/s in the Armed Forces

Have you ever served in the Armed Forces

Free School Meal (FSM) Claiming/Entitled





EDUCATION

You must include all schools and colleges you have attended since the age of 11.

If you have only attended Plymstock your Start Date: will be September 20189 – Leaving Date: August 2026

Type of Study – Full time

Study Mode – Select In Person

Do you or will you have any qualifications from this centre – Select YES

For each school you have attended you need to enter the qualifications you obtained GCSE's and A Levels.

When adding your GCSE and A Level qualifications please ensure you enter the correct exam board.

I have input the standard qualifications most of you will have undertaken in the menu. Select the appropriate qualification and insert the information they have asked for.

Under your A Levels they ask for a Achieved Date: August 2022 and Predicted Grade: you need to select 'Pending'

Insert your ULN – if you don't know this please ask me and I can look it up.

English Language certificates – this is only for international students





EDUCATION

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- Personal details
- Nationality details
- ✓ Where you live
- ✓ Contact details
- Supporting information
- 1 Finance and funding
- Diversity and inclusion
- ✓ More about you
- 1 Education**
- Employment
- Extra activities
- Personal statement

Name of the school, college, or university *

Exam centre number
This may be automatically filled in based on your school, college, or university

Start date *

Month Year

End date *
Select the date you left or plan to leave.

Month Year

Attendance type *

Full time Part time Exam only

Study Mode *
If you had lessons that were taken online over COVID lockdowns but now returned to school-based, please select "In person".

Online In person

[Save and add Qualification](#) [Save and return to Education Section](#) [Cancel](#)

[?](#)

Feedback





EDUCATION

Shopping Basket | Year 12 Workbook (Resource) | The Careers People | Qualification Application | UCAS

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shortlisted by your adviser within each group

- A Level, AS and EPQ
- GCSE and equivalent
- BTEC
- Job related
- Scottish qualifications
- International and EU
- Baccalaureate
- Apprenticeships
- Access to HE
- Technical (not including BTEC)
- Core maths
- HNC, HND, and Degrees
- Performance, Art, and Design
- More UK Qualifications
- All qualifications

Search for your qualifications

If you cannot find your qualification, select the "All qualifications" filter and search there, if you still can't find your qualification you can select the "All qualifications" filter and search "Other".

Search

Provided by your school or college

- + Extended Project (Level 3)
- + GCE Advanced Level (A-Level)

We also found these qualifications (Showing 45 of 45 A-Level, AS and EPQ)

Feedback

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EDUCATION

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[Back to search for qualifications](#)

Add GCE Advanced Level (A-Level)

Enter qualification modules/units here if you want to. Universities and colleges find it useful if there are specific subject requirements for the courses you choose.

Entering unit details for A-levels is optional if you have completed Cambridge International qualifications please choose CIE as your Awarding organisation, if you are currently taking Cambridge International qualifications choose CAIE

Subject*	Qualification date*	Awarding organisation*	Grade*
<input type="text" value="Biology"/>	08 -> 2025 ->	OCR ->	<input type="text" value="Pending"/>

Subject Grade

[Add another module](#)

[Save qualifications](#) [Save and add another](#) [Cancel](#)

[Back to More about you](#) [Next to Employment](#) ?





EDUCATION

Shopping Basket | Year 12 Workbook | Resources | The Careers People | Qualification | Application | UC

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Choose the type of qualification you would like to add - you can search for specific qualifications and view those shortlisted by your adviser within each group.

A Level, AS, EPQ, and T Levels | GCSE and equivalent | BTEC

Job related | Scottish qualifications | International and EU | Baccalaureate

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Provided by your school or college

- + OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate
- + OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate
- + OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma

We also found these qualifications (Showing 40 of 40 Technical (not including BTEC))

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EDUCATION

Shopping Basket | Year 12 Workbook | Resources | The Careers People | Qualification (Application) (UC)

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Search

Provided by your school or college

- + Duke of Edinburgh Award
- + WJEC Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology

We also found these qualifications (Showing 50 of 157 Other qualifications)

Feedback

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EDUCATION

ADD QUALIFICATION

2025 Undergraduate application

Your Personal ID number
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[Back to search for qualifications](#)

Add General Certificate of Secondary Education (Grade 9-1)

Enter qualification modules/units here if you want to. Universities and colleges find it useful if there are specific subject requirements for the courses you choose.

Title *	Qualification date *	Awarding organisation *	Grade *
<input type="text" value="Mathematics"/>	06 ▾ 2023 ▾	Edexcel ▾	7 ▾

Subject	Qualification date	Grade
<input type="text"/>	MM ▾ YYYY ▾	<input type="text"/>

[Add another module](#)





EMPLOYMENT

You can input your employment history here.

I would recommend only inputting employment details from the last 2 years.



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Choices

Maximum of Five Choices

If you are applying for a medical based course (medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or veterinary science) you can only chose four medical based courses. Your fifth choice must be an alternative science based course i.e. biomedical sciences.

Your application will be sent to all chosen universities and colleges at the same time – they will not know which other places you have applied for.

Your choices are not ranked in terms of preference.

You do not need to apply for five courses . Only apply to universities you would actually want to attend.

When making your choices remember your personal statement must reflect your choices

If you choose five completely different courses you are going to struggle to justify why you want to undertake each individual course in your personal statement

If you are applying for a health course you may be required to be immunised against Hepatitis B before you start training and undergo a DBS check

As part of your application for any course where you will be working with members of the public you will be required to declare whether you have any relevant unspent criminal convictions



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CHOICES

Research what skills and qualifications are needed. Check the course entry requirements.

UCAS Tariff. Some universities state their entry requirements using grades i.e. "ABB" other universities use tariff points i.e. 120 (ABC). See next slide for Tariff Table.

Some universities and courses require you to undertake Admission Tests –e.g. Medicine, Law, Dentistry, Oxford and Cambridge. CHECK.

<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/getting-started/entry-requirements/admissions-tests>



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CHOICES

Add choice

University/college name *

University of Exeter

Course *

Liberal Arts with Employment Experience

Course code: LA94

Location *

Course campus location

University of Exeter - Exeter campuses

Start date *

If you are selecting a deferred start date, please confirm this with the university or college before you apply

22 September 2025

Further details

You only need to provide information here if your chosen university or college has asked you to.

Save

Cancel

Add choice

Start date *

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22 September 2025

Further details

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Point of entry

This tells the universities and colleges which year of the course you want to start. If you don't select a year, you will be considered for the first year of the course.

If you've spoken to your chosen university or college and they are willing to consider your application to start the course after the first year, please enter the year you wish to start, e.g. 2nd year.

1st year

Live at home while studying? *

Yes No

Save

Cancel



Admissions Tests

- <https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/applying-to-oxford/guide/admissions-tests>
- <https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/apply/how/admission-tests>
- <https://www.ucat.ac.uk/>
- <https://lnat.ac.uk/>
- <https://www.ocr.org.uk/students/step-mathematics/how-to-register/>
- <https://esat-tmua.ac.uk/> Imperial, Cambridge, LSE, Warwick, Durham and UCL



UCAS POINTS

Tariff Points	GCE AS	GCE A Level	BTEC (QCF) Subsidiary Diploma	BTEC (QCF) Certificate	OCR Cambridge Technical	Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
56		A*	D*		D*	
48		A	D		D	
40		B				
32		C	M		M	
28				D*		A*
24		D		D		A
20	A					B
16	B	E	P	M	P	C
12	C					D
10	D					
8				P		E
6	E					





Extra Activities

You can add up to 2 in any activities you have completed in readiness for HE i.e. Sutton Trust Summer School, Masterclasses, UNIQUE, University run Summer Schools

N.B. Open Days are not included as a preparation activity.





PERSONAL STATEMENT

This is where you will upload your personal statement when it is ready.

Remember:-

One personal statement for **all** choices. If you wish to apply for a course that is different you can contact your chosen university for the different course and ask if they will accept a second personal statement.

Max. 4,000 characters

Min. 350 characters per section

No spelling/grammar check –you are advised to put it into a word document before transferring it to UCAS.

No formatting





References

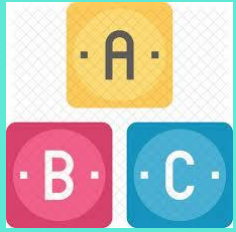
Your reference is made up of three sections (school context, extenuating circumstances, information about you in relation to your academic ability)

Your subject references will be requested by **me** when there has been sufficient progress with your application. You will need to liaise with me about this.

Once your reference is ready I will be able to liaise with you about sending off your application (if I have not done so already).

You will be able to read your reference before it is attached to your application.





PREDICTED GRADES

The predicted grades input into your UCAS application are provided to me by your teachers. They are based on their professional judgment of what you could achieve at the **end** of your A Levels.

Predicted grades will be based on prior performance and professional judgment.

If you have not performed well in assessments and mock exams your predicted grades will reflect this.



CHECKING & SENDING STAGES

GOLDEN RULE

- COMMUNICATION
- Make sure you pass me your personal statement for checking regularly (you will have multiple drafts).

STEP ONE

- When you feel ready, book a checking appointment with me.
- I will request your reference.

STEP TWO

- At your checking appointment, we will gauge what you have left to do.
- If your application & personal statement is ready we will book a sending appointment.

STEP THREE

- At your final appointment, we will double check everything and if it is all ready you will send off your application.



PAY AND SEND

Once you have completed all sections and I have approved your personal statement you will need to make an appointment with me to initially check your application form before you pay the online application fee.

Once your application is approved you can pay via credit or debit card.

£28.50

Once you have paid the application fee your application is locked so I can attach your reference and enter your predicted grades.

You will then need to make a final appointment with me to arrange for your application to be sent.

Your application will be checked again. If there are any amendments it will be pushed back to you for you to make these changes. Once you have made the changes you click on pay and send again (no card details are needed and you are not charged again).

Your application is only sent when I am 100% happy that everything is correct.



AFTER YOU HAVE PAID AND SENT

You will receive an email from UCAS welcoming you to UCAS TRACK – this is where you will be able to log on and track your application.

Within 24/48 hours you should receive a generic email from your universities of choice acknowledging receipt of your application

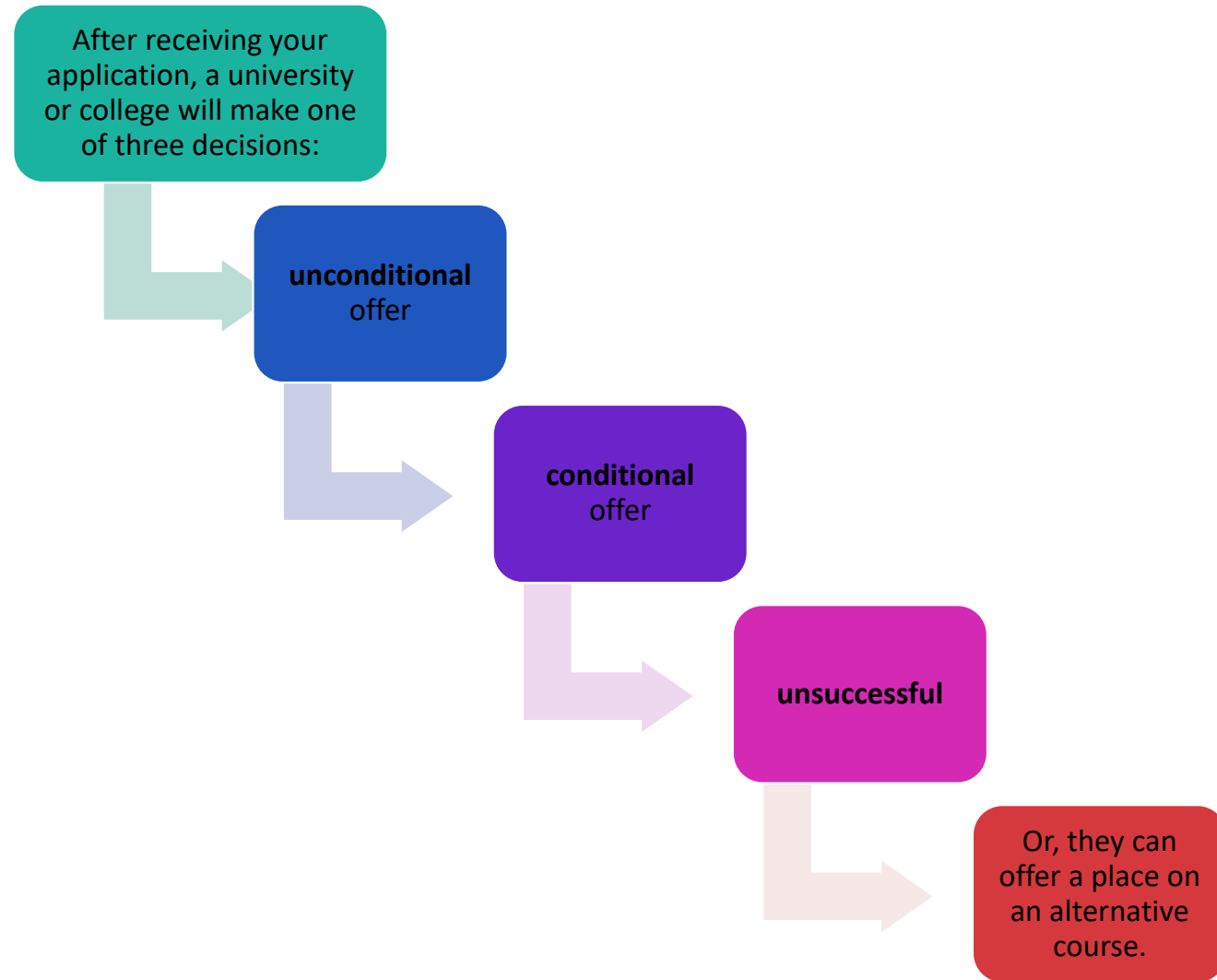
Universities reply at different rates. Some will reply quickly. Some will require an interview before making a decision. Others will use the maximum time before they reply (13th May).

When a University replies to you, you will receive an email from UCAS advising you something has changed on UCAS so you can log onto Track and check.

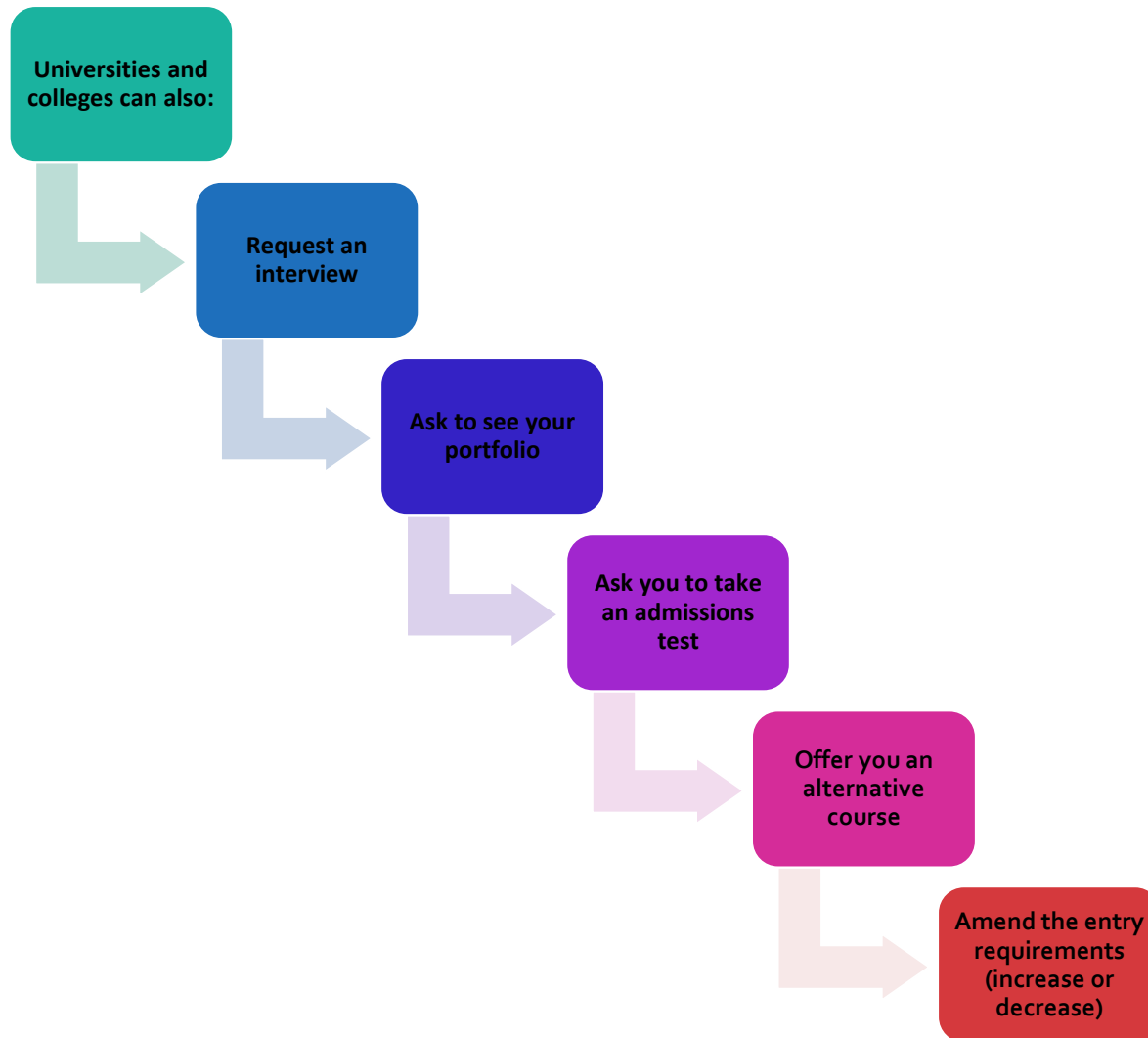
TOP TIP: YOU NEED TO CHECK YOUR INBOX AND JUNK MAIL ON A REGULAR BASIS SO YOU DON'T MISS ANY IMPORTANT EMAILS!



OFFERS



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REPLYING TO OFFERS

You will be able to reply to your offers once you have received offers from **all** your universities, there is no rush to make decisions as soon as you have received all offers. You will have until 6 May 2026 if you received all your offers by 31st March. If you receive decisions after March you will have until 2nd June to make your decision.

Once you have received responses from all your choices you will have a date by which you have to respond. This date will be shown on Track and is specific to your application.

You make a Firm choice (1st choice) and an Insurance choice (2nd choice) and Decline all other offers.

Firm Acceptance – Make sure you meet the entry requirements? Can you afford to go to this University? Have you visited there on an open day or an applicant day – do you like it there? This is a big decision make sure you are 100% happy with your first choice.

Insurance Acceptance – This should ideally be lower entry requirements than your Firm choice as this is your back-up. If you end up with your Insurance choice will you be happy to go here? Have you visited there on an open day? Again you need to make sure that your second choice is one that you are happy with.



OTHER OPTIONS

Extra (26 Feb – 4 July)

- Used all five choices and received no offers
- Add Extra choices for consideration one at a time in Track

**Clearing (5 Jul – 20
Oct).**

- Apply after 30 June, receive no offers, decline all offers, not met conditions.
- Find vacancies from July, and add one choice in Track.



HELP

- There is no such thing as a stupid question
- After school support every Wednesday in the Lower Computer Suite starting 16th June.
- One-to-one appointments available on request
- Lunchtime Personal Statement Workshops: Thursday and Friday – SB2

