



Year 12

UCAS Information Evening

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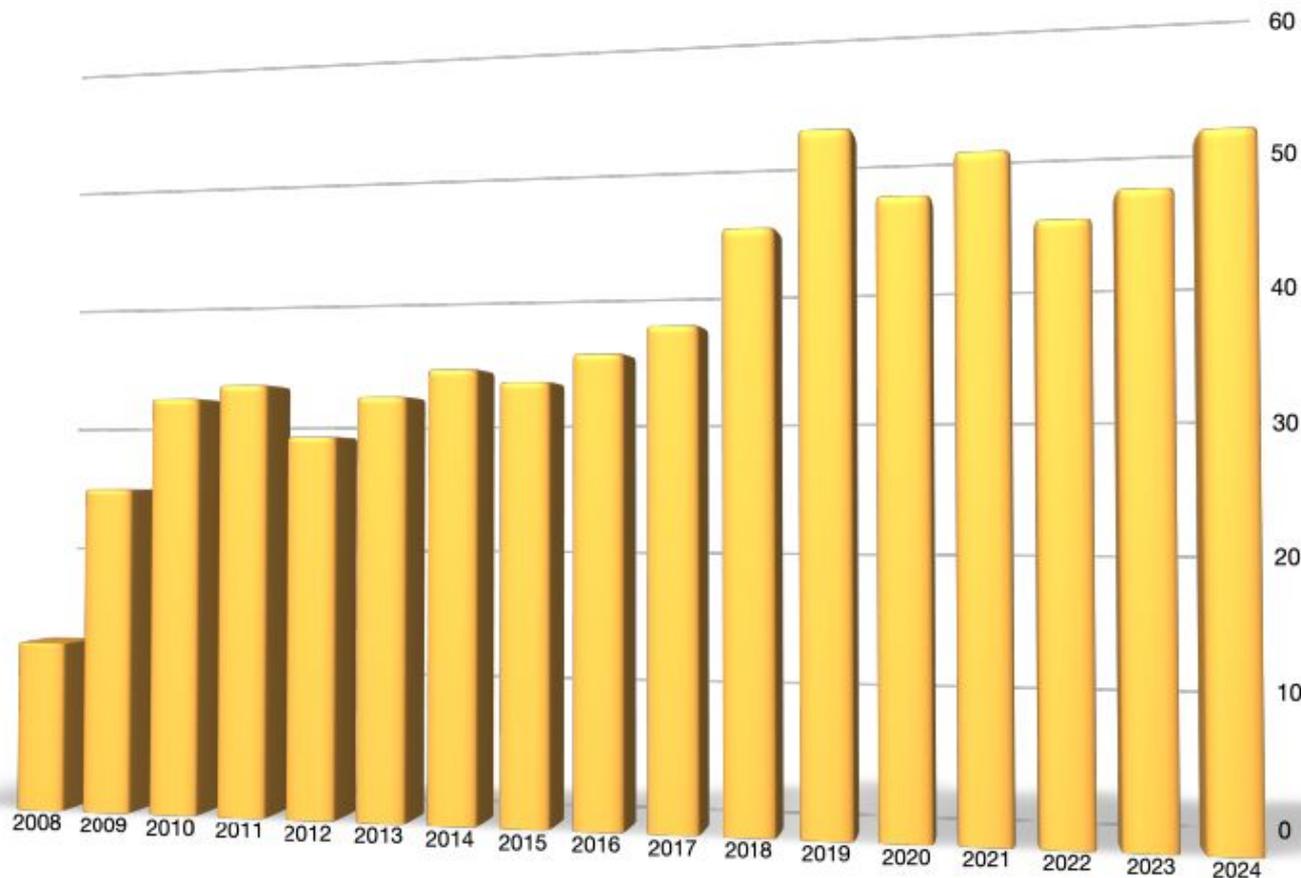
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UCAS Updates 2025/26

- No changes to the reference system
- New model for Personal Statements.
- Ever Free School meals - UCAS fee waived

Russell Group Percentage 2008 to 2024



What you study at sixth form or college can affect your options at university and your future career. Use Informed Choices to help you understand which subjects open up different degrees, particularly at Russell Group universities.

I don't know what degree I would like to study

I know what degree I want to study



What is UCAS?

UCAS is an **independent charity** providing information, advice and admissions services. We're there to help people **discover** what their next step might be.

UCAS **does**:

- provide information, advice, and support
- process applications
- complete fraud and verification checks
- take part in education sector engagement

UCAS **doesn't**:

- make decisions or offers
- set entry requirements
- advise on finance
- advise on immigration or visas

Discover options



HIGHER
EDUCATION



APPRENTICESHIPS



STUDYING
ABROAD



GAP YEAR



GETTING A JOB

Register for the UCAS Hub to understand all your options and make the right choices for you: ucas.com/hub

Completing the **ucas** application



Student registers for a UCAS Hub account to carry out research and start an application.



Student completes all sections of the application and sends it to their school/college.



Teacher or adviser reviews the application and adds reference and predicted grades.



Applications are sent to UCAS by the school of college on behalf of the student.



Universities and colleges make their decisions on the application.

DISCOVER YOU

Is it right for you?

- Is it something you enjoy? You're investing time and effort
- Is it right for your career path? Check with employers and professional organisations
- What about location? Stay at home, move away, city or rural, transport links
- Is it a learning and assessment style that suits you?
- What will your environment be like?
- What about cost?



Find your **best fit** uni or college

Style and focus

- ✓ From research-intensive to practical, career-orientated learning.

Location and size

- ✓ Ranges from small campuses to large city-based universities with over 20,000 students.

Culture and facilities

- ✓ Environment, resources, and student life.

Graduate outcomes

- ✓ What careers have recent graduates gone on to?

Costs

- ✓ Include living costs, accommodation, and transport.

Student Outcomes

Operated by the Office for Students



Employment after 15 months (Most common jobs)



Go onto work and study

The number of student respondents and response rates can be important in interpreting the data – it is important to note your experience may be different from theirs. This data will be based on the subject area rather than the specific course. [Read more about this data on the Discover Uni website.](#)

The course matters

Teaching & learning

- ✓ Teaching hours, self-study, lectures, and group work.

Assessment & structure

- ✓ Coursework, exams, practical work, and module choices.

Entry requirements

- ✓ Grades, skills, interviews, or auditions.

Career links

- ✓ Placements, internships and study abroad.

Class size & experience

- ✓ Student numbers and learning environment

Select qualification

UK A-Level

Data from: This course

Date range: 2019–2023

Grades held by accepted students



ABB

Highest grades

CCC

Lowest grades

Rate of offers for UK school leavers



Students aged 17/18 who applied to this course were offered a place.

How do you compare?

Add three of your UK A-Level grades, predicted or those you've already achieved, to see how they compare to the grades previously accepted.

UK A-Level grades

B

B

C

By using 'Accept & show results' you acknowledge that the result indicates how you compare to previously accepted students. It is not an indication of success if you were to apply.

Accept & show results

Cancel

Application key facts



Invisibility - Universities and colleges **can't see** your other choices



Apply by the relevant **equal consideration date**.



Five choices, with some restrictions (medicine, veterinary, dentistry, Oxford and Cambridge).



Research is key to a successful application.



Applying costs £28.95.

Subject Spotlights

Learn from some of the UK's finest academics as they give you a genuine, insightful, and engaging experience of studying their courses at their universities.

- On-demand interactive video **experiences**
- Have a go at **interactive quizzes** and **activities**
- Get **feedback** on how you've done.
- **Try** university degrees before you apply.
- **Certificate** of completion

Explore more Springpod [Subject Spotlights](#).

University course tasters

Experience what a university course would be like with Springpod's Subject Spotlights. These interactive, virtual university course tasters feature real-life lectures, seminars, and academics.

More info



Subject spotlights

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Teaching: A Profession And A Passion
with Damien Maguire from Liverpool Hope University



Cancer, Brain Tumours & Rogue Cells: The Science Behind The Killer Disease
with Dr Shafiq Ahmed from University of Sunderland

- Anglia Ruskin University (20)
- Canterbury Christ Church University (4)
- City St George's, University of London (3)
- Coventry University (4)
- Coventry University London (2)
- Durham University (1)
- Leeds Arts University (3)
- Leeds Beckett University (4)
- Liverpool Hope University (3)
- Manchester Metropolitan University (3)
- Middlesex University London (1)
- Queen's University Belfast (1)
- Teesside University (5)
- The University of Law (8)
- UCL (4)

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Understanding
with [Name] from Manchester Metropolitan University



Computer Science: Is Generative AI The Problem Or The Solution?
with Dr Aminu Usman from the University of Sunderland



And Breathe: The Respiratory System Explained
with Charlotte Anderson from the University of Sunderland



Computer Science: Space Exploration And Beyond
with Dr Paul Sant from The University of Law



Biotechnology: The Rise Of Radical Healthcare
with Prof. M. Safwan Akram from Teesside University



Covid: The Law And You
with Mike Meehan from University of Law

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AtkinsRéalis Virtual Work Experience Programme

Engineering

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at AtkinsRéalis

Available 11/11/2024 - 31/10/2025

Start now

Virtual Work Experience with mybank

Business, Administration & Consulting

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at mybank

Available 11/11/2024 - 30/06/2025

Start now

HR Career Insights: Virtual Work Experience with CIPD and Springpod

Business, Administration & Consulting

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development

Available 13/11/2023 - 31/10/2025

Start now

Skills for Success: Forvis Mazars Work Experience

Accounting, Banking & Finance

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at Forvis Mazars

Available 28/10/2024 - 15/06/2025

Start now

Allied Health : Virtual Work Experience with Health Education England

Healthcare & Medicine

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at Health Education England

Available 16/09/2024 - 25/03/2025

Start now

Severn Trent Sustainability: Water Industry Virtual Work Experience

Energy & Utilities

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at Severn Trent

Available 09/09/2024 - 29/04/2025

Start now

Engineering a Sustainable World - Work Experience with IChemE

Engineering

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at Institution of Chemical Engineers

Available 30/09/2024 - 30/04/2026

Start now

Legal Realities Unveiled: Virtual Law Careers with TLT and Springpod

Law & Legal Services

This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at TLT LLP

Available 01/09/2024 - 31/08/2025

Start now

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Chat to students



A peer-to-peer chat facility hosted on ucas.com powered by Unibuddy.



An opportunity to connect with current students, ask questions and learn about their experiences



Over 4,900 active ambassadors, with unlimited chats available

Chat to students

Chat with UK and international students who are already studying the courses you've applied for at universities and colleges across the UK, on Unibuddy

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Chat to students

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- Coventry University (38)
- Durham University (7)
- Lancaster University (75)
- Leeds Beckett University (1)
- Leeds Trinity University (22)
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- Northeastern University London (7)
- Rose Bruford College (6)
- Southampton Solent University (21)

Hi, I'm Aaliya

Games Art s

Chat with Aaliya

Aayan

City, University of London
Actuarial Science BSc (Hons)

I completed my Foundation year from
City, University of London....

Chat with Aayan

Hi I'm Abbie

education st

Chat with Abbie

Abby

Swansea University
Sport and Exercise Science, BSc (Hons)

I'm a keen swimmer and am part
of the University Swim team and...

Chat with Abby

Hi I'm Abbie

education st

Chat with Abbie

Abbey

Leeds Trinity University
Criminology with Police Studies
BA Combined (Hons)

I am looking at going into the
police after university and doing...

Chat with Abbey

Hi! Feel free to ask me any
questions about the courses here...

Chat with Abdul

abdeldjouad

University of Westminster
Finance and Business
Management BA Honours

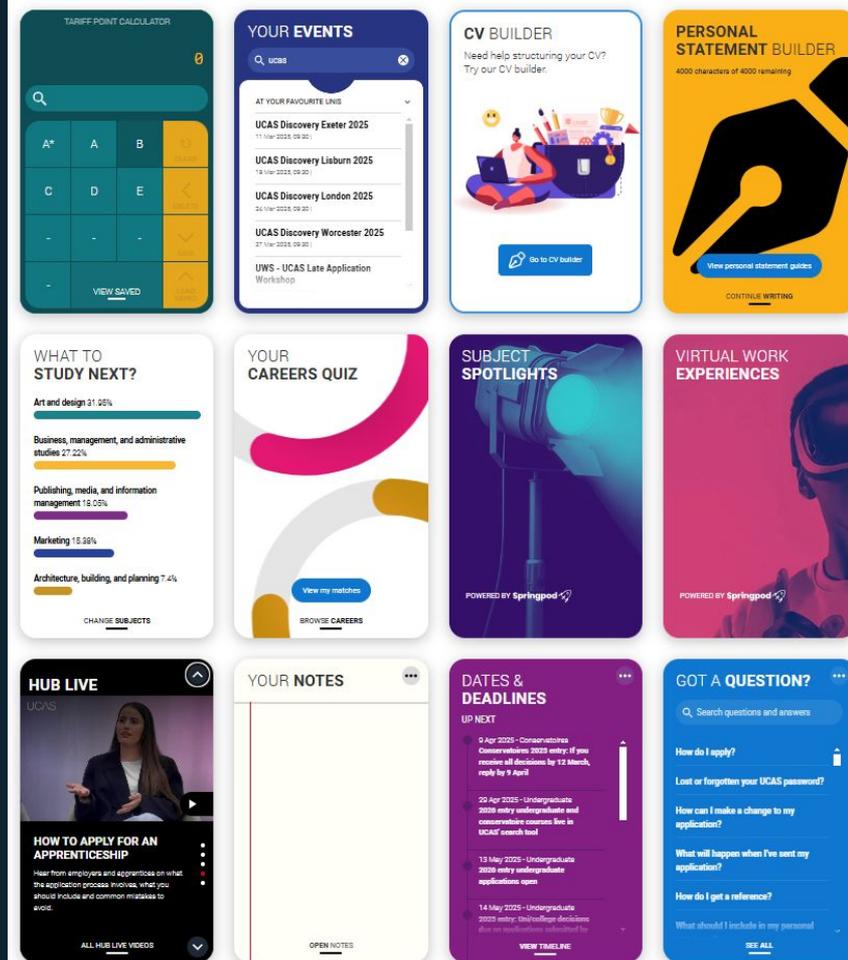
Hi everyone! my name is
Abdeldjouad, I'm an international...

Chat with abdeldjouad

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Tools for success

- Explore the Careers Quiz, What to Study Next, Subject Spotlights and Virtual Work Experiences for **career and course inspiration**.
- Use the Tariff Calculator, Personal Statement Builder, and CV Builder to stay on track and **plan your path**.
- Search for events, open days, videos to get expert help and **questions answered**.



<https://www.unifrog.org/student/home>

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UK universities

Make your first shortlist

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US universities

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European universities

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Oxbridge

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Apprenticeships

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College / Sixth Form

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Canadian universities

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Asian universities

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Special opportunities

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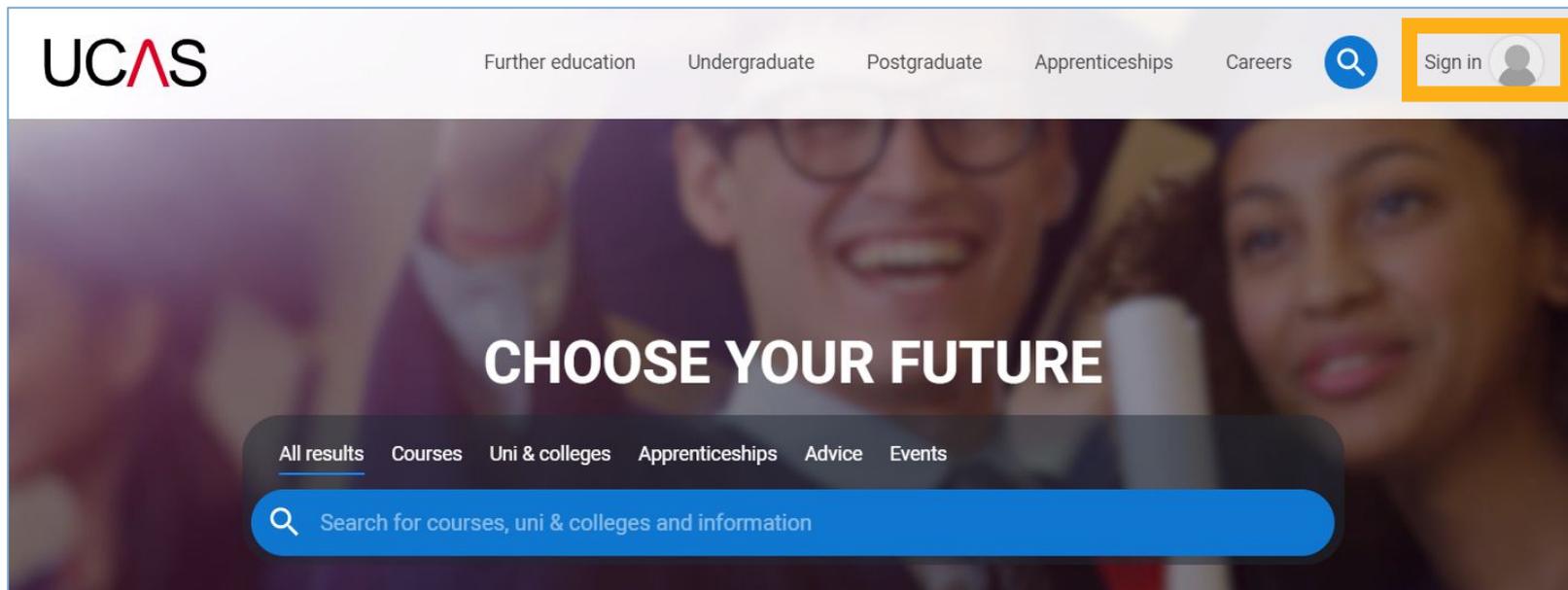


Registering for an account



Registering for an account

Head to ucas.com and select **Sign in**.

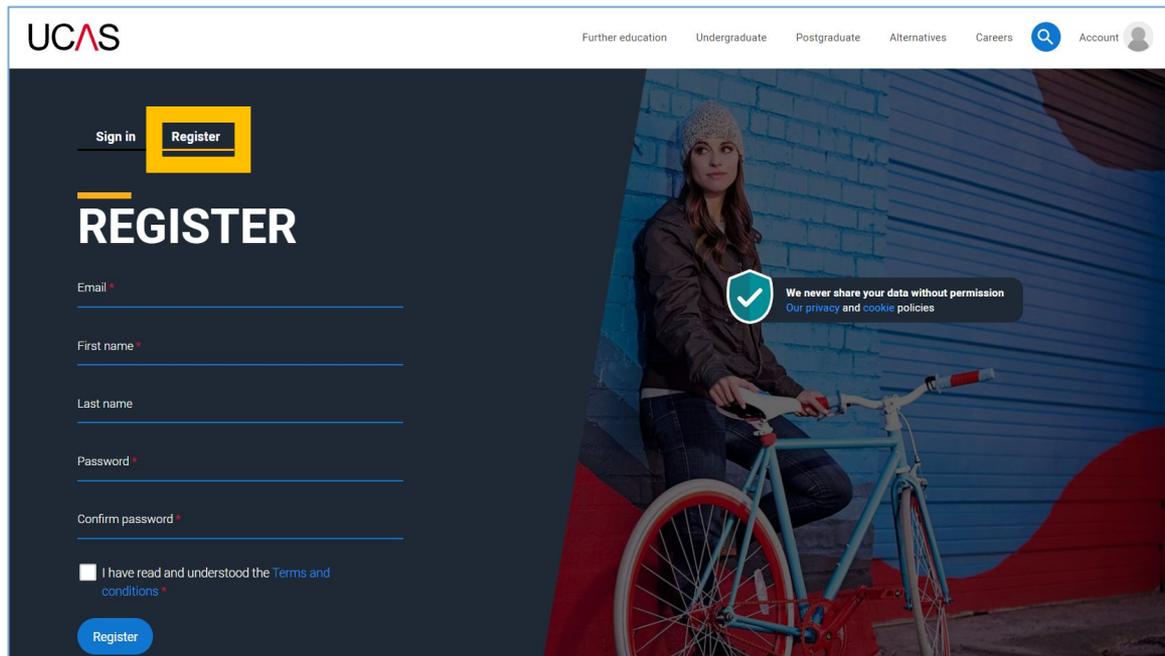


The screenshot shows the UCAS website homepage. The top navigation bar includes the UCAS logo on the left and several menu items: Further education, Undergraduate, Postgraduate, Apprenticeships, and Careers. A search icon is also present. On the right side of the navigation bar, the 'Sign in' button is highlighted with a yellow border. Below the navigation bar, the main content area features a large image of students with the text 'CHOOSE YOUR FUTURE' overlaid. Below this image, there is a horizontal menu with links for 'All results', 'Courses', 'Uni & colleges', 'Apprenticeships', 'Advice', and 'Events'. At the bottom of the main content area, there is a blue search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text 'Search for courses, uni & colleges and information'.

Registering for an account

Complete the short form. Make sure the **password is memorable**.

We recommend you use a **personal email address** so you always have access to updates.

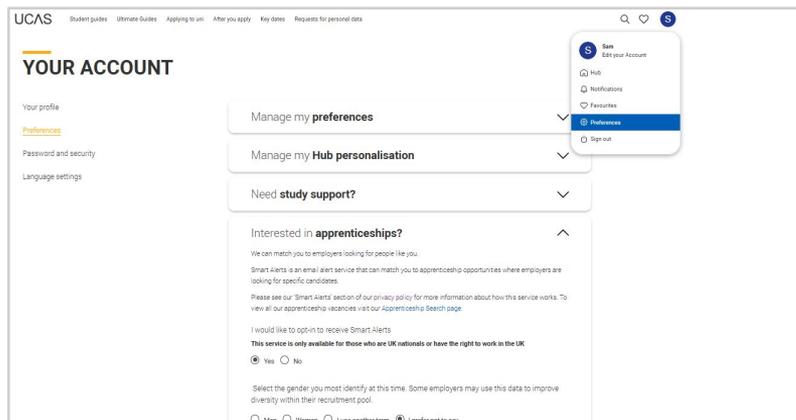
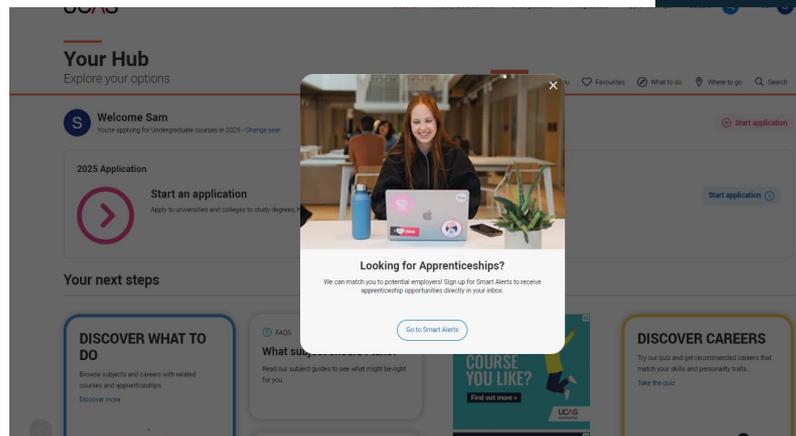


The screenshot shows the UCAS registration page. At the top, the UCAS logo is on the left, and navigation links for Further education, Undergraduate, Postgraduate, Alternatives, Careers, and Account are on the right. The main content area has a dark background. On the left, there are two buttons: 'Sign in' and 'Register', with 'Register' highlighted in a yellow box. Below this is the 'REGISTER' heading. The form includes fields for Email, First name, Last name, Password, and Confirm password. A checkbox for 'I have read and understood the Terms and conditions' is present. A blue 'Register' button is at the bottom. On the right, a woman is sitting on a bicycle against a blue wall. A privacy notice bubble with a checkmark icon says 'We never share your data without permission. Our privacy and cookie policies'.

Looking for an apprenticeship

If you're interested in apprenticeship opportunities, we can match you to potential employers if you sign up to smart alerts.

You'll get these directly to your inbox. It's totally optional.

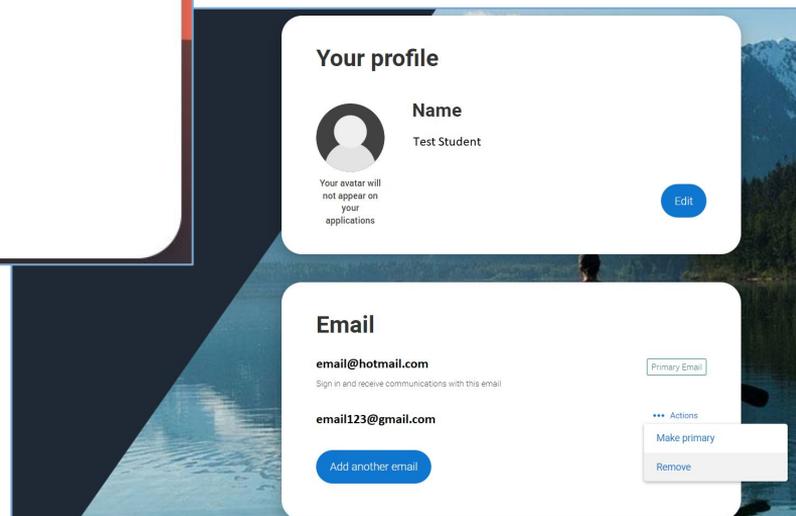
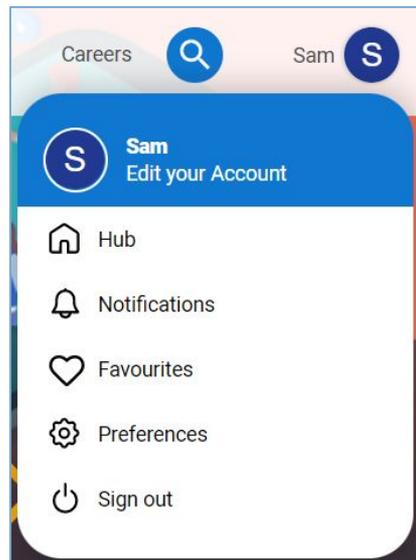


Your email

It's important your contact details are kept up to date throughout your application.

We recommend using a **personal email address** as your primary email, rather than a school/college one, so that you have access to it throughout your application journey.

To update your email address, go to 'Edit your account' from drop-down, where you can change your email.



Starting your application



Starting your application

Choose the year you want to start your studies, level of study (it's **Undergraduate** if you are still at school/college) and type of application you wish to make.

Make sure you choose **2026** if you want to start next year, including if you want to defer entry.

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?

2026

Select the main level of study you are interested in

Undergraduate (Uni and college degrees, and ap... ▾



Undergraduate

Degrees, HNDs, and HNCs

Start 2026 application ›



Conservatoire

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

Start 2026 application ›

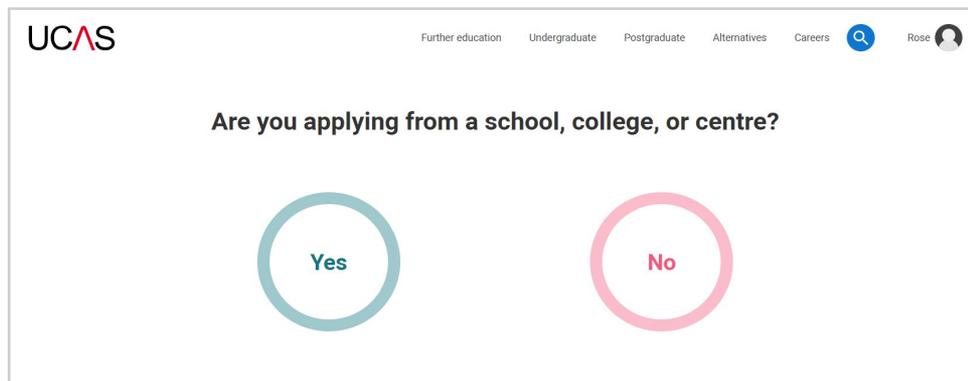
Linking to your school, college or centre

If you're applying with the help of your school, college or centre then select 'Yes'.

You will then need to enter the **Buzzword**.

The Buzzword is given to you by your school, college or centre.

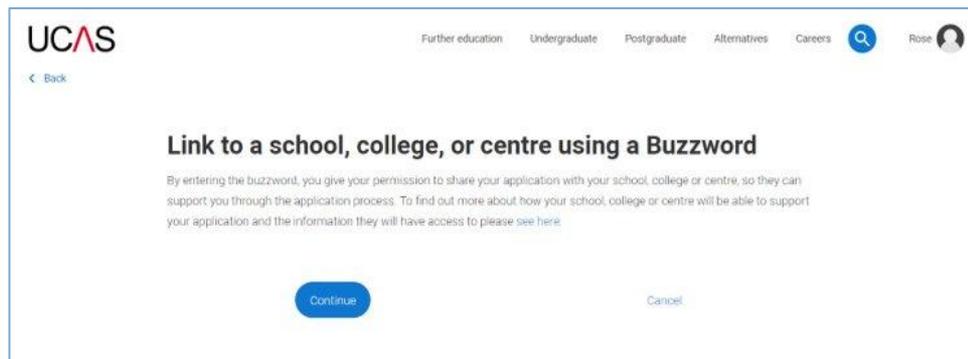
“Schnauzer”



UCAS Further education Undergraduate Postgraduate Alternatives Careers Rose

Are you applying from a school, college, or centre?

Yes No



UCAS Further education Undergraduate Postgraduate Alternatives Careers Rose

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Link to a school, college, or centre using a Buzzword

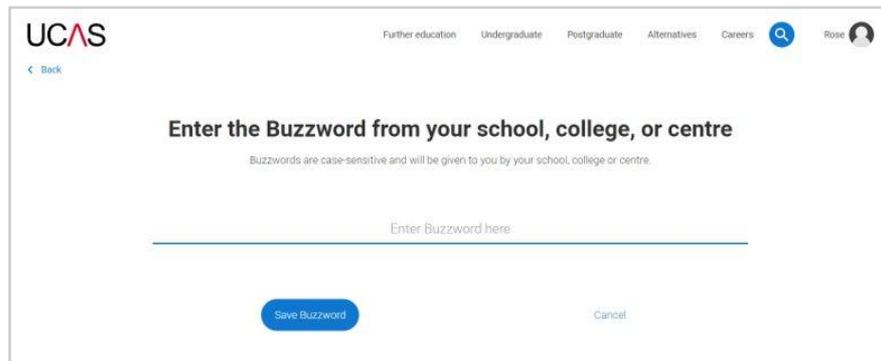
By entering the buzzword, you give your permission to share your application with your school, college or centre, so they can support you through the application process. To find out more about how your school, college or centre will be able to support your application and the information they will have access to please see here.

Continue Cancel

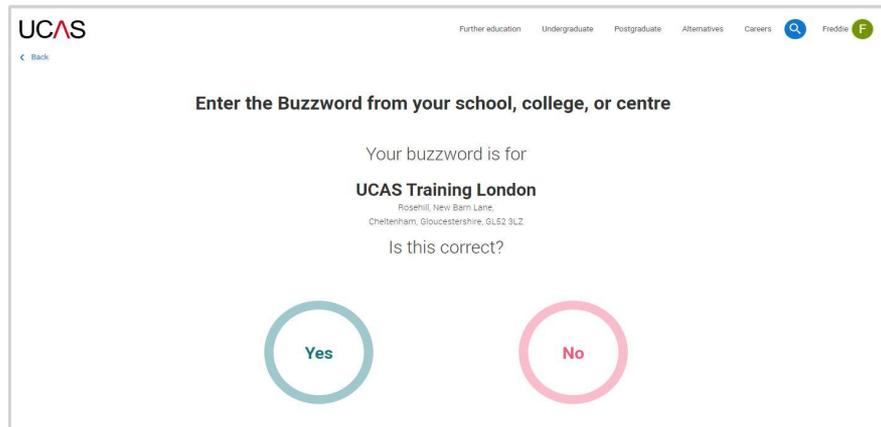
Linking to your school, college or centre

Enter the **buzzword**, and **confirm** the details are correct.

This will **link your application** to your school or college, so they can track your progress and provide support, including adding your reference.



The screenshot shows the UCAS website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Further education', 'Undergraduate', 'Postgraduate', 'Alternatives', 'Careers', a search icon, and a user profile icon labeled 'Rose'. Below the navigation bar is a 'Back' link. The main heading is 'Enter the Buzzword from your school, college, or centre'. A sub-heading states 'Buzzwords are case-sensitive and will be given to you by your school, college or centre.' Below this is a text input field with the placeholder text 'Enter Buzzword here'. At the bottom of the form are two buttons: 'Save Buzzword' (in blue) and 'Cancel'.



The screenshot shows the confirmation screen on the UCAS website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Further education', 'Undergraduate', 'Postgraduate', 'Alternatives', 'Careers', a search icon, and a user profile icon labeled 'Freddie'. Below the navigation bar is a 'Back' link. The main heading is 'Enter the Buzzword from your school, college, or centre'. Below this is the text 'Your buzzword is for' followed by 'UCAS Training London'. Underneath, the address is listed: 'Rosehill, New Barn Lane, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL52 9LZ'. The question 'Is this correct?' is displayed. At the bottom are two large circular buttons: 'Yes' (in teal) and 'No' (in pink).

Linking to your school, college or centre

Once your application has been linked, you can then select a **group** (if this has been set up by your school or college).

Every school and college has a 'Default Group'.

You have linked your application to
UCAS Training School

Select group

I don't know

Default Group

Former students

Oxbridge

Tutor 1

Tutor 2

Tutor 3

Tutor 4

Need help? [View our FAQs](#) [Join our team](#)

Application overview



Application overview

The application form is responsive to make it easier to complete.

Once you've completed 'Where you live' if your permanent residence is in the UK, you'll also see the 'Diversity and inclusion' and 'Extra activities' sections to complete.

All sections must be marked as '**Complete**' to send to your school or college that you may be linked to for review. You must complete all mandatory questions to mark a section as complete (they have a *****).

The screenshot displays a dark-themed application form interface with the following sections:

- Profile**
 - Personal details**: Name, age, title and gender. Status: Start this section.
 - Nationality details**: Birthplace and nationalities. Status: Start this section.
 - Where you live**: Tell us about your address history. Status: Section in progress.
 - Contact details**: Address, email, and telephone. Status: Section in progress.
 - Supporting information**: So that providers know how to support you during your studies. Status: Start this section.
 - Finance & funding**: Tell us how you'll fund your study. Status: Start this section.
 - Diversity & inclusion**: Additional equality information. Status: Start this section.
 - More about you**: Tell us about any circumstances that you might need support for during your studies. Status: Start this section.
- Experience**
 - Education**: Qualifications and periods of study. Status: Section complete.
 - Employment**: Paid employment. Status: Section complete.
 - Extra activities**: Taken part in any activities to prepare you for higher education? Status: Start this section.
- Personal Statement**
 - Personal statement**: Why do you want to study this subject? Status: Start this section.

Finance and funding



Finance and funding

You will only be asked further questions in finance and funding if you select **UK, ChI, IoM or EU Student Finance Services**.

We'll ask you for your current local authority under 'Student support arrangements'.

Select  to see our help text with advice about this.

For more information head to:
ucas.com/finance

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

Select an option from the drop-down list to tell us how you expect to pay for your tuition fees. Most applicants from the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, and those eligible EU students under the EU Settlement Scheme will be in the category UK, ChI, IoM, or EU student finance.

This guidance has been created based on [eligibility advice](#) from the Student Loans Company, and you should give your answer as guided. Universities and colleges are aware that EU applicants will be selecting the UK, ChI, IoM or EU student finance option.

If you require additional guidance, we recommend contacting [the UK Council for International Student Affairs](#).

UK, ChI, IoM or EU student finance services ▾

Student support arrangements

Tell us who will assess you for tuition fees, or how you will pay for your course. Please select the option which best describes your situation.

▾

Mark this section as complete *

You must complete all mandatory fields in this section before you can mark it as complete. All sections must be marked as complete before you can send your application.

Save this section

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

You need to select one category from the list to tell us how you expect to pay for your tuition fees. Most applicants from the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, and the EU will pick the second category. You should pick that category if you are eligible for assessment under student support arrangements, even if you think your family income will be too high for you to receive support.

The choices are as follows:

Private finance – Entire cost of tuition fees is to be paid by private finance.

UK, ChI, IoM, or EU student finance services – Applying for student support assessment by

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More about you



More about you

You can share any individual needs or circumstances, such as a disability or health condition. Sharing this information helps the university connect you to the right support – they may send you more information or contact you to discuss what would help you succeed. See our support on [individual needs](#) for more advice.

If you don't have any conditions to report, you select "No disability" to mark the section as complete.

Every year, over 60,000 students with a physical and/or mental health condition, long-term illness, or learning difference apply through UCAS to study at a university or college in the UK, and access a range of support available to help with their studies, day-to-day activities, travel, or lifestyle. Would you consider yourself as living with any of the following: *

- A learning difference (e.g. dyslexia, dyspraxia, or AD(H)D)
- A physical impairment or challenges with mobility (e.g. climbing stairs or uneven surfaces), or dexterity (e.g. using a keyboard or laboratory equipment)
- A condition or impairment not listed (please give details in the box below)
- Two or more impairments or conditions (please give details in the box below)
- A social, behavioural or communication impairment (e.g. an autistic spectrum condition, Tourette's Syndrome, or speech and language difficulties including stammering)
- None
- A visual impairment uncorrected by glasses (e.g. blindness or partial sight)
- A hearing impairment (e.g. deafness or partial hearing)
- A long-term illness or health condition which may involve pain or cause fatigue, loss of concentration or breathing difficulties – including any effects from taking associated medication.
- A mental health condition, challenge or disorder (e.g. anxiety or depression)

More about you

UCAS Free Schools meal Application Fee Waiver

You must answer, 'Yes' to this question in 'More about you' to identify you are eligible for the free school meals application fee waiver.

[Read our guidance to check if you're eligible to have your application fee waived.](#)

Your school or college will need to agree to your eligibility when reviewing your application and may require you to evidence this.

Are you currently receiving free school meals, or were you in receipt of free school meals between the ages of 11 to 18?

Yes No Don't know

Mark this section as complete *

You must complete all mandatory fields in this section before you can mark it as complete. All sections must be marked as complete before you can send your application.

Save this section

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Help for free school meals

Young people in the UK are usually eligible for free school meals if their parents or carers are on a low income or in receipt of certain benefits. If you're not sure, ask your school – they will be able to confirm this for you. You may also be eligible if you're paid qualifying benefits directly, instead of through your parent or carer. For more information about answering this question read our FAQs.

Education



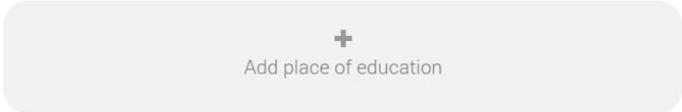
Education

You must enter all your qualifications from secondary education onwards – whether you have the result **(even any that were ungraded)** or you're still awaiting exams and results.

First you need to add details of where you've studied, or are studying, then add qualifications.

Start by clicking **Add place of education**.

You'll be asked for a 'Unique Learner Number' – if you don't have one leave the question blank.



Unique Learner Number (ULN)
Students in England, Wales and Northern Ireland ONLY – This is a unique 10-digit number, which is usually printed on your qualification certificates or results slip. If you are applying from a school or college, they may also have this number. Inputting this number can help us to check the information you submit, but if you don't have one or don't know yours, please leave this blank

English language certificates

English language certificates are often needed for international students as an entry requirement for the course.

Not everyone will need an English language certificate. If you're unsure whether you need one, check the entry requirements for the course on the search tool.

If you have a language certificate that is not listed here, ie Pearson, Cambridge you can add these as a qualification in the section above.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Number

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) TRF Number

Mark this section as complete *

You must complete all mandatory fields in this section before you can mark it as complete. All sections must be marked as complete before you can send your application.

Education

If you are linked to a school/college, when you click on 'Add place of education', you'll be asked to add it.

If you can't find the name you can type this in and add it.

If you've attended another school or college, type the name of where you studied. Once you find your centre, click on the name and the Exam centre number will automatically populate.

Add when you started and finished; if you're still studying add the month, you're due to finish.

You are linked to UCAS SCHOOL, CHELTENHAM, would you like to add this centre?

Yes No

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

Education

If you are linked to your school or college then select 'All qualifications' and the shortlisted qualifications provided will appear to help you choose the correct qualifications.

If you are not sure of the qualification you are taking, please check with your school/college or adviser.

If there's no shortlist, select the qualification category then use the search to narrow this down. If you are searching for a qualification, make sure you use the full qualification title. For more [help and advice](#) head to [ucas.com](#).

Pick your qualification type

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 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

Search for keywords from your Qualification title or Country to narrow down the list. If your qualification isn't listed, use the "All qualifications" filter and search there. Still no results? Try removing any country filters and searching "Other" under "All qualifications".

Shortlist provided by your school or college.

- + [Cambridge International A Level](#)
- + [Extended Project \(Level 3\)](#)
- + [GCE Advanced Level \(A-Level\)](#)
- + [GCE Advanced Subsidiary](#)
- + [GCSE \(Grade 9-1\)](#)
- + [GCSE Double Award \(9-9 to 1-1\)](#)
- + [International Baccalaureate - Extended Essay](#)
- + [International Baccalaureate Diploma](#)
- + [T Level Technical Qualification - Core Component](#)
- + [T Level Technical Qualification - Industry Placement](#)
- + [T Level Technical Qualification - Overall Grade](#)
- + [T Level Technical Qualification - Specialism](#)

Education

It's important the awarding organisation is entered accurately – speak to your teacher or adviser if you're not sure what this is.

If you haven't finished the qualification or had your result, then choose **Pending*** in the Grade field.

When adding qualifications you'll sometimes have the option of adding modules. Not all universities need you to, but some do, always check the course entry requirements to see if modules are mentioned. If they are, be sure to include them on your UCAS application.

* If presented with a free text box then the result must be left blank.

Add GCE Advanced Level (A-Level)

Entering unit details for A levels is optional

Subject *

Qualification date *

Awarding organisation *

Grade *

▼

Pending

A*

A

B

C

D

E

O

N

U

Other

Universities and colleges may find module/unit information useful if there are specific subject requirements for the courses you choose

Module title

Grade

[Add another module](#)

[Save qualifications](#)

[Save and add another](#)

[Cancel](#)

Submitting the application



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All parts of the application must be complete and showing 'Ready to Send' before being able to review and submit to your school, college or centre.

UCAS APPLICATION

2025 Undergraduate application

Your Personal ID number

1270051406

The screenshot shows the UCAS application status dashboard. At the top, it says 'UCAS APPLICATION' and '2025 Undergraduate application'. On the right, it displays 'Your Personal ID number 1270051406'. Below this, there is a navigation bar with a home icon and the text '/ UCAS application'. The main content area is titled 'Application status' and 'Centre information'. Under 'Centre information', it shows 'Group Default Group'. There are four progress indicators: 'CHOICES' with '1/5', 'PROFILE' with '100%', 'PERSONAL STATEMENT' with a green checkmark, and 'READY TO SEND' with a yellow circle. A blue button labeled 'Review and submit' with a right arrow is positioned below the 'READY TO SEND' indicator. A three-dot menu icon is visible at the bottom left of the dashboard area.

Pay BY CARD

If you are paying for your application yourself, select 'Pay by card' and enter your card details.

The screenshot displays a three-step process: 1. Check your application, 2. Terms and conditions, and 3. Pay and submit. The 'Pay and submit' step is active, showing a section titled 'Pay by card' with instructions, card logos (VISA, Mastercard, American Express, JCB), the amount due (£28.95), and a 'Pay by card' button. Below this, there are two buttons: 'Back to Terms and conditions' and 'Return to application'.

1 Check your application 2 Terms and conditions 3 Pay and submit

Pay and **submit**

Which payment option should I choose?

You cannot amend this choice later so please select the right option for you.

Pay by card

Select this option if you are paying the application fee of £28.95 yourself. We accept the following credit and debit cards for payment.

Amount due £28.95

The next screen you see may be from your card issuer. It is here to give you added protection when making online payments.

[Pay by card](#)

[Back to Terms and conditions](#) [Return to application](#)

Free School Meal Application Fee

If you are eligible for the free school meals waiver you need to choose 'Apply with FSM fee waiver', when you 'Pay and submit'.

If you can't see this option but think you're eligible:

1. Check you have answered 'Yes' to the question in 'More about you'.
2. Check with your school or college BEFORE entering any card details.

Once you pay by card (even if you are eligible), this cannot be reversed; a fee waiver cannot be applied after you have completed the pay and submit process.



Pay and **submit**

Which payment option should I choose?

You cannot amend this choice later so please select the right option for you.

Free school meals (FSM) waiver

You have answered 'yes' to the free school meal question. You should use the 'Apply with FSM fee waiver' below.

UCAS is waiving the application fee for students who have received **free school meals funded by the UK government**; if you have received free school meals at any point in the last six years, you do not need to pay the UCAS application fee.

Your school, college or centre will need to agree you receive/have received free school meals, once you submit your application.

Check if you are eligible

Apply with FSM fee waiver

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Pay by card

Back to Terms and conditions

Return to application

submit

When you've paid and submitted your application, it will go to your school/college to check.

They will submit the application to UCAS.

If you log in after you've submitted your application, you'll see a read-only version of it.

The screenshot shows a web interface for a UCAS application. At the top, there is a teal header with a back arrow and the text "Return to your Hub". Below this, a message states: "This is a read only version of your application which is with an adviser at UCAS Test and training centre. your adviser if you have any questions or problems with your application." To the right of this message are the words "Contact" and a "Download as PDF" button. On the left side, there is a vertical menu with the following items: "Personal details", "Contact and residency details", "Employment", "Education", "Nationality details", "Supporting information", "English language skills", "Finance and funding", "Diversity and inclusion", and "Personal statement". The main content area is divided into two sections: "Personal details" and "Contact and residency details".

Personal details	
Title	Ms
First name	Rose
Last name	Hill
Previous name(s)	Not provided
Preferred name	Not provided
Date of birth	08/02/1995
Gender	Female

Contact and residency details	
Mobile telephone number	01234567890
Other telephone number	Not provided

The application can be returned by the school for editing if necessary.



Welcome back Sam

You're applying for Undergraduate courses in 2026 - [Change year](#)

[+ Start application](#)

2026 Undergraduate Application

Personal ID: 1280033960

[Go to application](#)



Submitted to your school or college

Your application has been sent to your school or college and is being checked by your adviser. Once they have approved it, your application will be sent to UCAS.



Your feed

Your personal content feed

AFTER YOU APPLY

Everything you need to know about what happens after you apply.

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Key dates

Find out what you need to do and when.

[Read more](#)

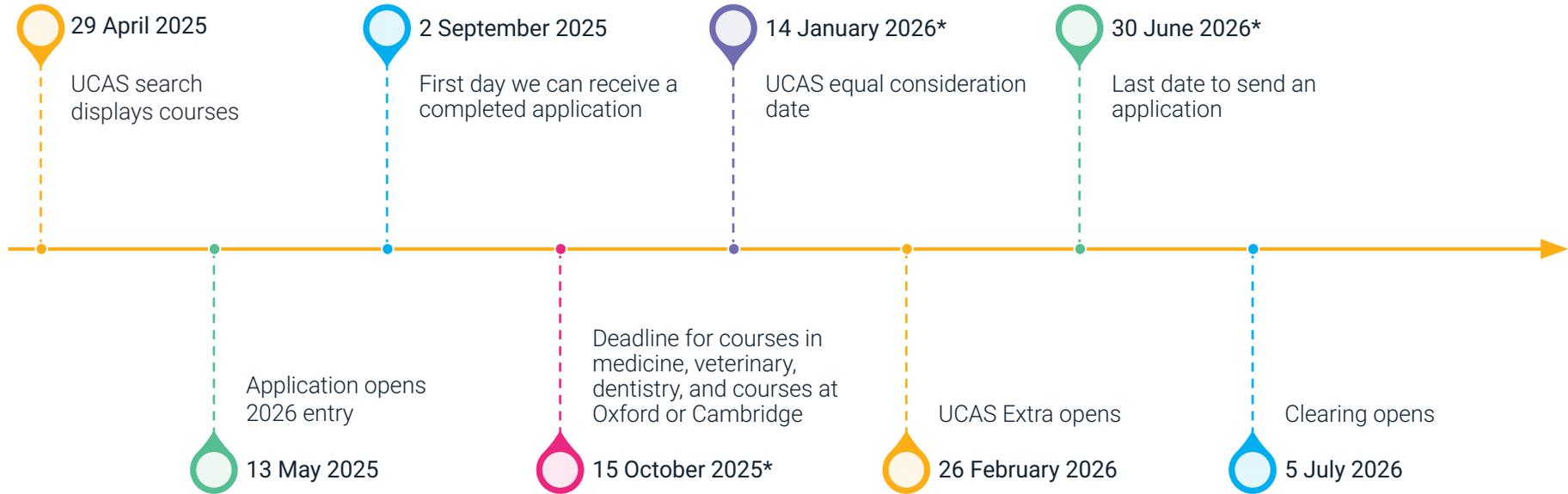
CHAT TO STUDENTS

Find out more about a university or college from students already studying there.

[Chat to students](#)



Key dates for 2026



Student final choices must be made by 6th May 2026 -

* 18:00 UK time

Personal statements



What are the **questions?**



Why do you want to study this course or subject?



How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject?



What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful?

Personal statement



You can save and edit this as many times as you need to.

If it's over the character count you can't 'Complete' it until it meets the count.

If you try to navigate away without saving your work. We'll remind you with a pop-up warning.

You can expand each question box by dragging the bottom right-hand corner.

Overall character count
0 / 4000

Why do you want to study this course or subject? *
This is your opportunity to showcase your passion and knowledge of your chosen subject area and to demonstrate to universities and colleges why they are a good fit for you and your future ambitions.

Please use a minimum of 350 characters in this section (350 needed)

How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject? *
This is your chance to shout about the relevant or transferable skills you've gained from your education and highlight your understanding of how they will help you succeed in this subject area.

Please use a minimum of 350 characters in this section (350 needed)

What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful? *
This is your chance to reflect on any other activities you have undertaken outside of your education or personal experiences which further demonstrate your suitability for the course. This section is likely to be deeply personal to you, so anything you include should be meaningful and relevant to you.

Please use a minimum of 350 characters in this section (350 needed)

Personal statement

Remember we'll carry out checks to verify your personal statement is your own work.

If it looks like it's been copied from other sources, we'll tell the universities and colleges you applied to, and they'll decide what to do next.

We'll also contact you by email to tell you this has happened.

Check out ucas.com for all the support in writing your personal statement.

Overall character count
2235 / 4000

What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful? *

This is your chance to reflect on any other activities you have undertaken outside of your education, or personal experiences which further demonstrate your suitability for the course. This section is likely to be deeply personal to you, so anything you include should be meaningful and relevant to you.

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Examples of what you might talk about here could include work experience, employment, or volunteering. Personal life experiences or responsibilities. Hobbies and any extracurricular or outreach activities. Post-education activities.

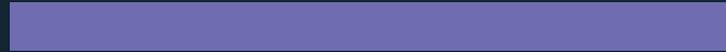
Minimum number of characters met

Mark this section as complete *

You must complete all mandatory fields in this section before you can mark it as complete. All sections must be marked as complete before you can send your application.

Save this section

What happens on the teacher side?



References and Predicted Grades

The reference and predicted grades



Subject teachers write a reference for each student



Form tutors compile into an overall reference



Head of Sixth Form completes a final edit



Headteacher reads and approves all references



A maximum of 4,000 characters, or 47 lines



How we decide on Predicted Grades.....

Things teachers will take into account.

- The results of Year 12 exams
- The grades scored in timed assessments during the year
- The attendance % during the year.
- The quality of work the student has produced during the year.
- The consistency of the student's work throughout the year.
- The student's ALPS prediction.
- Any personal mitigating factors.



How we decide on Predicted Grades.....

- Any special factors which may have caused temporary underperformance will be taken into consideration.
- Predictions will not be based on what a student would like to achieve or a promise to work harder, as any university offers based on an unrealistic grade are unlikely to be met. It is an honest assessment of the student's most likely achievement based on evidence and professional judgement.
- Year 13 students are notified of predicted grades at the end of September. A student may appeal.



How the teacher reference works...



Enter a general statement about your school/college/centre.



If applicable, enter any information about extenuating circumstances which may have impacted the applicant's education and achievement.



Outline any other supportive information specific to the applicant and relevant to the course (s) applied for that you think universities/colleges should be aware of.



Section 2: If applicable, enter any information about extenuating circumstances which may have impacted the applicant's education and achievement.

- individual circumstances – e.g. disability, serious, acute, or chronic illness, bereavement, significant adverse personal circumstances (with applicant consent)
- context as to why there is a disparity between an individual's grades achieved throughout the school or college
- factors which have limited the individual's choice of subjects or load of study (factors which have affected the whole centre rather than the individual should be included in section 1)
- support the university or college should consider putting in place to ensure the applicant can thrive on their course (with applicant's consent) – e.g. highlight the measures the school, college or centre put in place to ensure the student's inclusion/experience

How you can help us with box 2...

- For **box 2** we will be asking for parents to write a short supporting comment if they wish to.
- This will help us focus on the most salient points in relation to extenuating circumstances.
- There will be a link sent home during term 6 to give you the opportunity to contribute comments for this part of the reference.

June -October- some general advice...

- 95% of the UCAS application can be completed without writing a Personal Statement OR entering University choices- so don't wait to "do the dull bit"
- Allocate a time in the week to do UCAS stuff, alongside your tutor time.
- Your personal statement will require a few drafts- so get started early.

Tracking applications

On ucas.com you can

- follow the progress of your application 24/7
- see your choices and personal information
- view your offers
- reply to offers online

In Track, a student can hold up to two offers:

- **firm** – if they meet the conditions of the offer they will be placed here
- **insurance** –if they are not placed with their firm choice, they may be placed with their insurance choice.



Decisions

Universities and colleges will review the:



personal statement



qualifications



reference

They may also ask for:



admissions test



interview



portfolio/audition



Other options



Extra (Feb – Jul)

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

Clearing (Jul – Oct)

- Apply after 30 June, receive no offers, decline all offers, not met conditions.
- Find vacancies from early July, and add a Clearing choice to their application.
- Grades are better than expected.
- Find vacancies and contact universities directly



What should students be doing now?

- research
- extracurricular & supercurricular activities
- work experience
- go beyond the syllabus
- focus on this year's studies



How can you support them?

Research

Use the parents'/guardians' section of the UCAS website at www.ucas.com/parents.

Sign up

Sign up for parent updates from UCAS and get everything you need to know about the application process direct to your inbox.

Open days

Attend virtual events and open days – you may have a different perspective.

Be proactive

Encourage students to read everything carefully that is sent to them.



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Parent, Guardian and Carer Guide

Download our free guide, containing everything you need to support a young person with their options and decision-making, and help them through the UCAS application process.

[Parent, Guardian and Carer Guide](#)



Sign up for our parent newsletter

Whether your child is set on going to uni, or still looking into their options – including apprenticeships, gap years, or conservatoire courses – we can help. Sign up and we'll send you everything you need to help them make an informed decision.





Thank
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