

# UCAS Applications



Please note: The detail, dates and fees stated around the UCAS application process are correct at time of delivery (Autumn 2024) and may be subject to change.

# Check yourself in to the Open Day

Let us know you're  
here by:



Clicking the button in the email  
we sent you this morning

OR



Asking a member of staff or  
Student Ambassador to scan  
the QR code on your e-ticket



All applications for Undergraduate courses in the UK go through UCAS - Universities and Colleges Admissions Service

[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

**Important:**

**Where possible, apply using your personal email address rather than a school/college one**



# UCAS Hub

Your personalised hub for organising everything including your application in one place



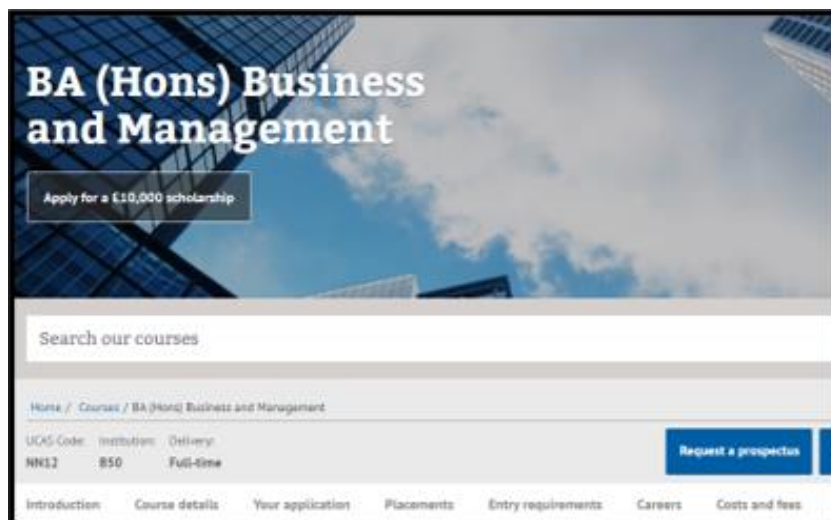
Sign up to the  
UCAS Hub  
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# Where to search for information

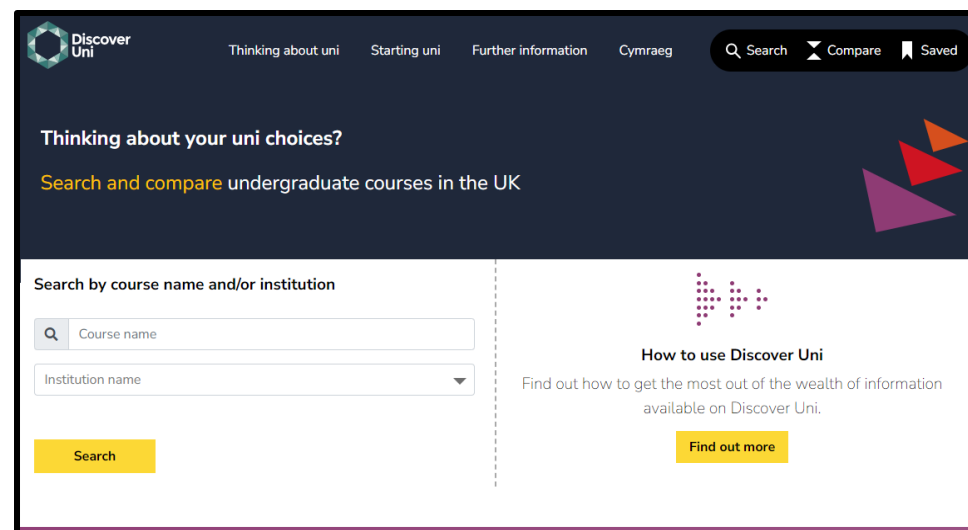
## BU website

For detailed course information, accreditations, placement and employability details, fees and essential information.



## Discover Uni

Key metrics around satisfaction, employment and average costs to compare courses and providers.



# Choose the right place and course for you

- **Location:** large city, small town, coastal or the countryside
- **Size:** some have more than 20,000 students, the smallest have only a few thousand
- **Living costs:** accommodation, transport and food can vary enormously
- **Assessment methods:** what is the balance of coursework, exams, group work
- **Work experience:** is there any opportunity for field work, practical learning or study abroad?
- **Entry requirements:** are there required subjects and/or minimum grades, maths and English GCSE requirements?

**Required subjects:** Part of the entry requirement – you must be studying one of these

# Entry requirements

Our offer will be based on our tariff points range, meaning flexibility about your grades.

You will need to have a minimum of two A-levels or equivalent. We will also consider additional study, such as the Extended Project Qualification. General Studies is usually excluded from our offer.

BTEC Nationals/Cambridge Technicals				T-levels	Tariff points	A-level	A-level	International Baccalaureate Higher Level Certificate	Extended Project Qualification
Extended Certificate	Foundation/ Subsidiary Diploma	Diploma	Extended Diploma						
			D*D*D*	Distinction*	168				
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	D*D				78				
	DD			Pass (D or E)	72				
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					10	D			
					8				E
					6	E			

# Foundation Years at BU

- Initial year of study prior to progressing onto the first year of one of our eligible degrees
- Right for you if:
  - You don't have the right qualifications for a full degree
  - You have the qualifications but not ready for degree-level study yet
  - You are returning to study after a gap

## Subject areas:

- Business & Management
- Creative Industries
- Engineering
- Media & Communication
- Science
- Technology

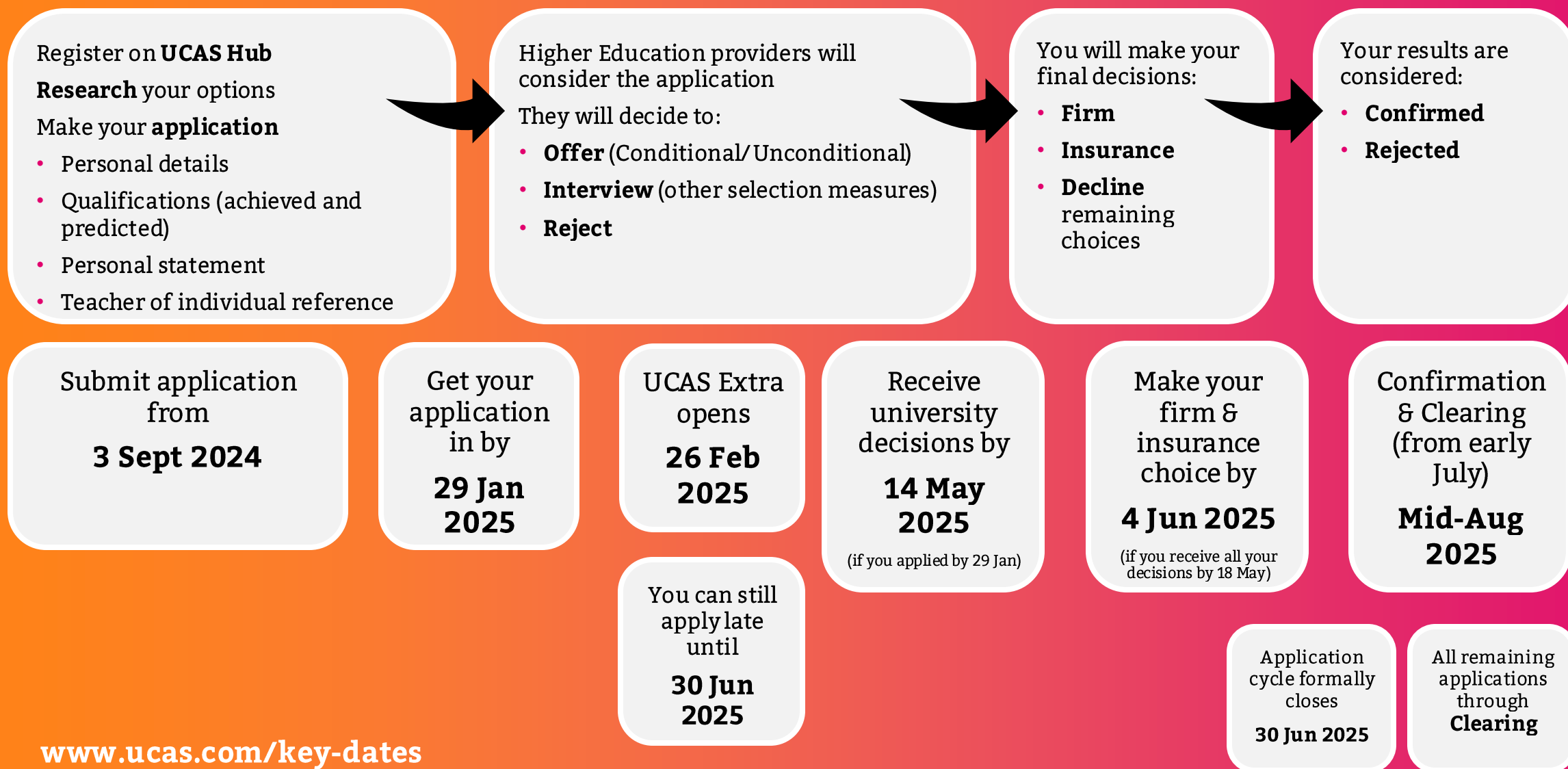
## Entry requirements:

- 48-72 UCAS tariff points





# The Application Process – 2025 entry



# Making the application

- Maximum of 5 choices
- Choice restrictions in specific subject areas
  - Medicine, Veterinary, Dentistry – max 4
  - Oxford or Cambridge
- Simultaneous consideration, but with ‘invisibility’ from your other choices
- Codes (Institution, Course, Campus) – get them right
  - Bournemouth University – B50
  - Business and Management – NN12
- Campus code not required for BU

**2025  
entry  
£28.50**



# Making the application

- Personal details
- Contact and residency details
- Nationality details
- Supporting information
- English language skills
- Finance and funding
- Diversity and inclusion\*
- More about you

\* (for students with a UK home address)

**Profile**

<b>Personal details &gt;</b> Name, age, title, and gender <b>Section complete</b>	<b>Contact &amp; residency details &gt;</b> Address, email, telephone, and where you live <b>Start this section</b>	<b>Nationality details &gt;</b> Country and nationality details <b>Start this section</b>
<b>Supporting information &gt;</b> <b>Section in progress</b>	<b>English language skills &gt;</b> Is English your first language? <b>Start this section</b>	<b>Finance &amp; funding &gt;</b> Tell us how you'll fund your study <b>Section in progress</b>
<b>Diversity &amp; inclusion &gt;</b> Only shared with a provider once you have a place or your application is archived <b>Start this section</b>	<b>More about you &gt;</b> Tell us about any circumstances that you might need support for during your studies <b>Start this section</b>	

# Making the application

- Education
- Employment
- Extra activities\*
- Choices
- Education
- Employment
- Personal statement

Nominated access: You can nominate someone to discuss your application on your behalf.

The screenshot displays a dark-themed application form interface. It is divided into two main sections: 'Experience' and 'Personal Statement'. The 'Experience' section contains three sub-sections: 'Education >' (described as 'Your qualifications and periods of study'), 'Employment >' (described as 'Employment, paid or unpaid, or volunteer work'), and 'Extra activities >' (described as 'Activities you have attended in preparation for higher education'). Each sub-section has a status bar at the bottom: 'Education' is 'Section in progress' (blue bar with an info icon), 'Employment' is 'Section complete' (green bar with a checkmark icon), and 'Extra activities' is 'Start this section' (blue bar with a circle icon). The 'Personal Statement' section contains one sub-section: 'Personal statement >' (described as 'Why do you want to study this subject?'), which also has a 'Start this section' button at the bottom.



# References

## Applying from a school, college or centre

- Enter your 'buzzword'
- View and tracking permission
- Reference provided
- Submission of application to UCAS on your behalf

## Not applying from a school, college or centre

- Provide an academic or professional reference
- Check they are happy to be a referee and add their details to your application
- UCAS will share a link and password to your referee to complete online

The screenshot shows a digital interface for a UCAS application. At the top, the question "Are you applying from a school, college, or centre?" is displayed. Below the question are two large circular buttons: a teal one labeled "Yes" and a pink one labeled "No". Below these buttons, the text "Select Yes here." is visible. At the bottom of the interface is a blue button with the word "START" and a right-pointing arrow.

# Additional information

- **Occupational Health Checks:**

Questionnaire which needs to be completed fully and honestly.  
Confidential process and assessed individually.

- **Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) Enhanced Disclosure:**

Essential that you are open and honest about any previous convictions, even if they are 'spent'.



# Personal statements – content to include

**D**etermination

**R**esilience

**I**nsight

**V**alues

**E**xperience



# Personal statement

## Determination

- A clear reason and motivation for applying to the course
- Your enthusiasm for the subject area
- Your career plans and future employment opportunities

## Resilience

- An ability to cope with the demands of study
- Evidence of your strong organisational skills
- Your ability to work under pressure
- Your ability to work independently





# Personal statements

## Insight

- A clear insight into the subject area/professional and an ability to reflect on any research undertaken
- Relevant professional you have spoken to
- Reading you have undertaken
- Lectures/talks you have attended

## Values

- An understanding of the values and skills required by the course/profession
- Your ability to problem solve and work in a team
- Your strong communication skills
- How you share the NHS values

## NHS values

- Working together for patients
- Respect and dignity
- Commitment to quality of care
- Compassion
- Improving lives
- Everyone counts



# Personal statements

## Experience

- An ability to reflect on learning from relevant experiences
- What relevant experience you have, including:
  - Shadowing
  - Caring for family member/friend
  - Volunteering experience

Any insights into:

- The field of practice you are interested in
- What it is like to work in an operating department/ambulance/first response environment, or social work/social care capacity or
- The role of a Midwife





# Final thoughts

- Structure your points
  - A – activity, ability or achievement
  - B – benefit – what have you learnt
  - C – how is this relevant to the course
- Check spelling and grammar
- Make the space count – prioritise
- Be explicit about your skills and qualities
- Seek others' opinions and advice
- Be truthful!
- Don't include details specific to one of your five choices
- **It's your UCAS form - good luck!**

**47 lines or  
4,000  
characters**



# How we'll assess your application

- We will make you an offer that's tailored to you and your application and will look at more than just your academic performance when making you an offer and deciding whether to accept you on the course.
- Depending on the course you apply for we'll look at:
  - your grades and other academic experience
  - work and other experience
  - Personal statement
  - Your performance at an interview/selection test
  - An academic/professional reference (Health & Social Care courses only)

## AccessBU

If you are unable to meet the entry requirements, we may be able to make you an offer through AccessBU if you meet certain criteria e.g. you have been in care or live in an area where fewer people typically progress to Higher Education. If you don't meet our published tariff, we will accept you at least 8 points below if your personal circumstances match out AccessBU criteria.

[www.bournemouth.ac.uk/accessbu](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/accessbu)





# Interviews

## **If you are applying for:**

- Midwifery
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Operating Department Practice
- Paramedic Science
- Physiotherapy
- Social Work

You will be required to attend a virtual interview.

## **What to expect and how to prepare for your interview:**

- Course talks
- Online individual interview
- There may be a group interview/task
- Live Q&A chat with students and staff
- Virtual tours

For more info and interview preparation tips visit: [\*\*www.bournemouth.ac.uk/your-bu-interview\*\*](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/your-bu-interview)

# Important skills and qualities

- Approachable
- Problem solving
- Computer Literacy
- Proactive
- Confidence
- Presenting
- Communication
- Responsibility
- Efficiency
- Self-expression
- Empathy
- Self-motivation
- Helpful
- Teamwork
- Independence
- Using initiative
- Listening
- Working independently
- Managing others
- Organisation





The university has consulted the latest available information in the production of this presentation for delivery in Autumn 2024 but cannot be held liable for its accuracy.

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