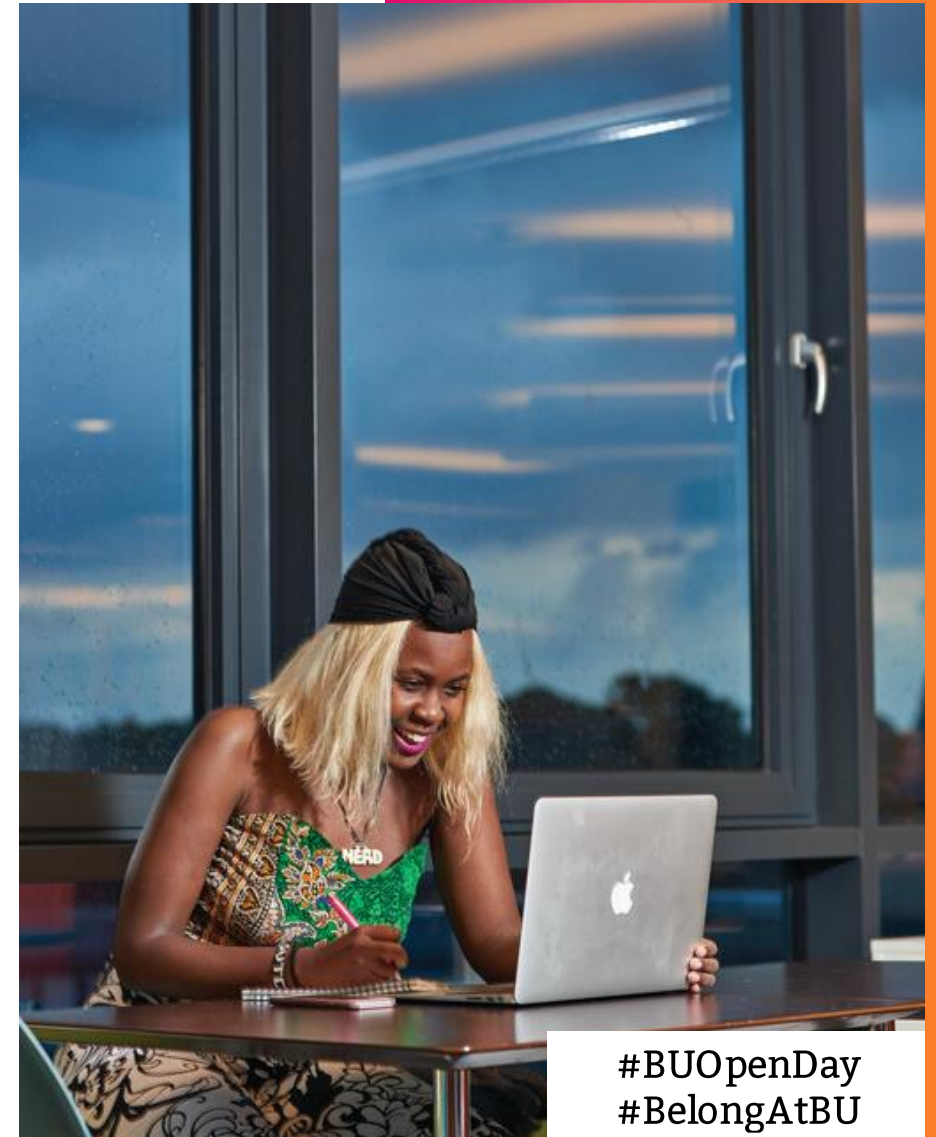


UCAS Applications

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.



#BUOpenDay
#BelongAtBU

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



UCAS

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

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

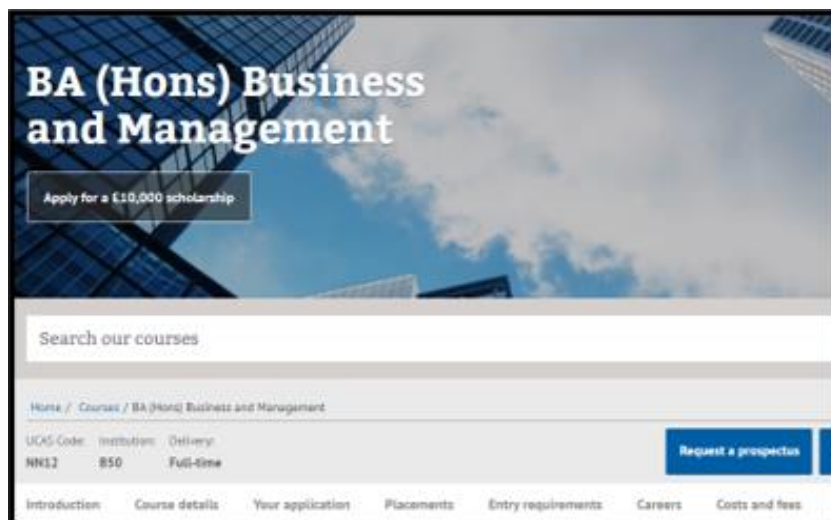


Sign up to the
UCAS Hub
ucas.com/hub

Where to search for information

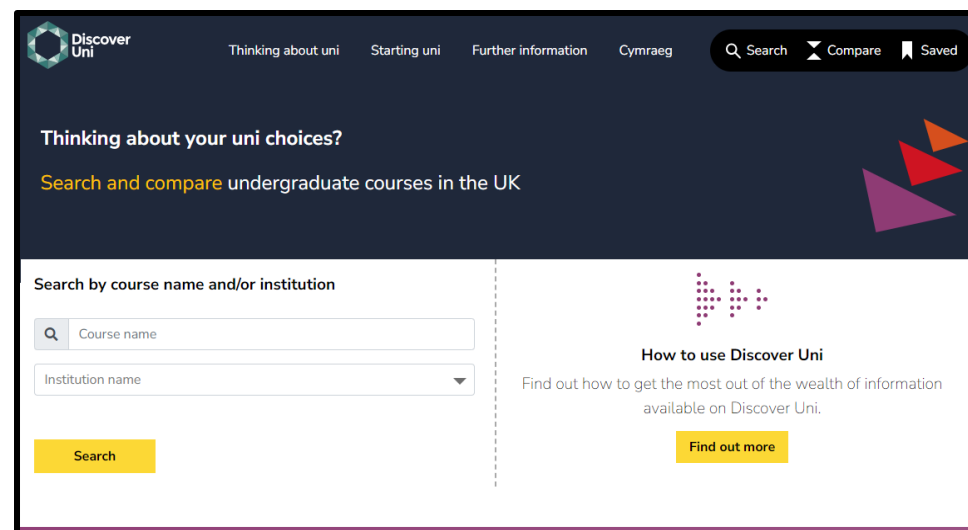
BU website

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				
			D*D*D		160				
			D*DD		152				
			DDD	Distinction	144				
			DDM		128				
				Merit	120				
		D*D*	DMM		112				
		D*D			104				
		DD	MMM	Pass (or above)	96				
	D*D*				84				
		DM	MMP		80				
	D*D				78				
	DD			Pass (D or E)	72				
		MM	MPP		64				
	DM				60				
D*					56		A*	H7	
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	MP				36				
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					28				A*
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					20	A			B
P					16	B	E		C
					12	C		H3	D
					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:

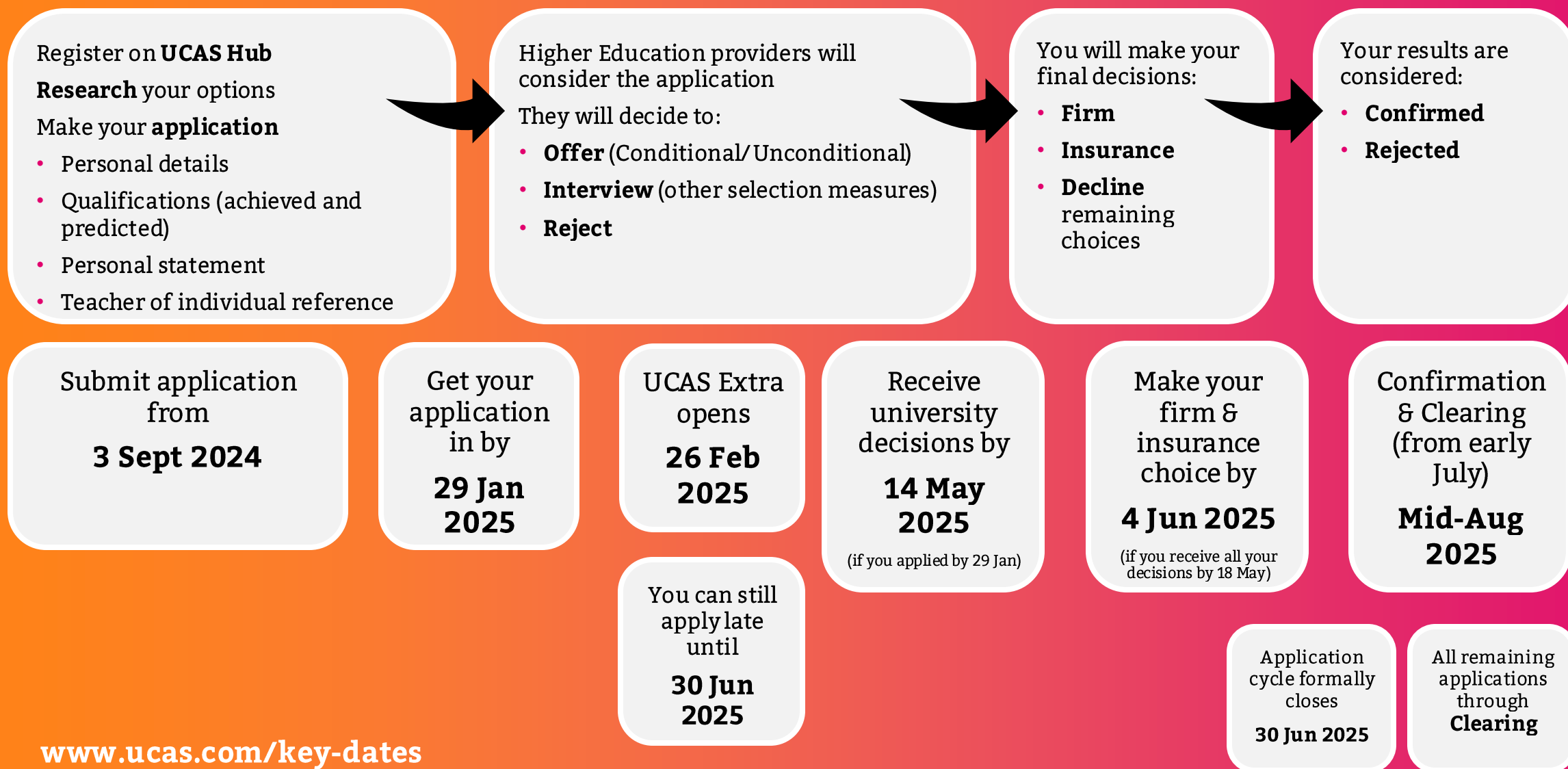
- Business & Management
- Creative Industries
- Engineering
- Media & Communication
- Science
- Technology

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

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

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.

Personal Statement




- Good vocabulary and structure
- Course and beyond
- Career
- Roles & responsibilities
- Work experience
- Time out

...all of that in 4,000 characters (including spaces) or 47 lines.

For 2026 entry...

UCAS

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

- **Preparation** is key, start with bullet points and then a rough draft
 - A – activity, ability or achievement
 - B – benefit – what have you learnt
 - C – how is this relevant to the course
- Outline your **academic achievements** past and present
- Tell us why you're interested in the **subject area**
- Share your **career aspirations** for the future
- **Top tip** – Avoid overuse of the word I.
“Studying English Language has enabled me to...”

BA (Hons) Multimedia Journalism applicant

“Studying English Language has confirmed my interest in, and love of, writing. The fluency and accuracy of my writing has developed through producing essays and reports...My Sociology A-level has strengthened my research, analysis and critical skills, which I know are vital in creating a story or an article.”

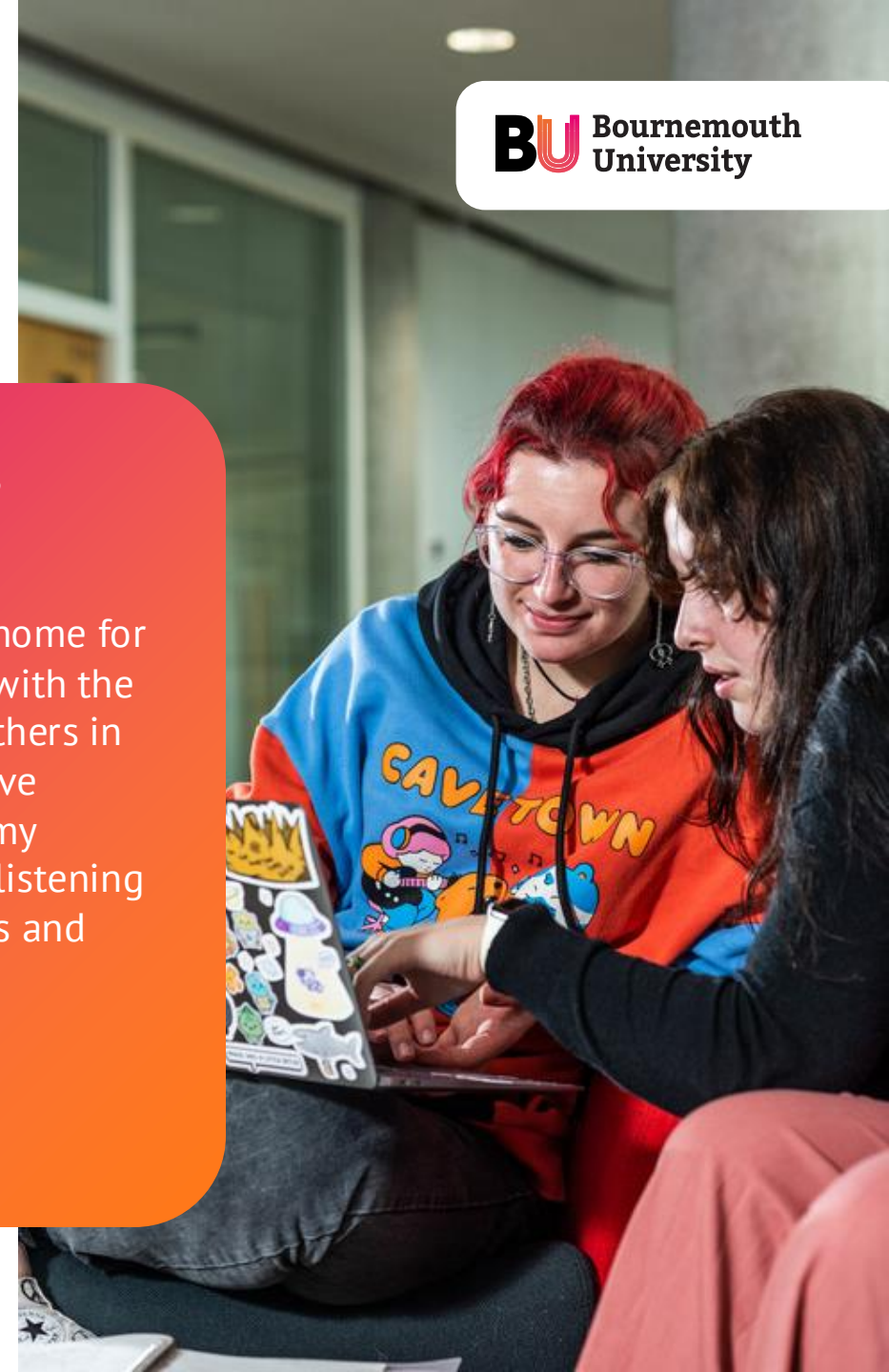


Transferrable skills

- Tell us about skills and knowledge you have gained from **extra-curricular** activities
- Share any relevant **work experience** that supports your application
- Let us know if you attended any **workshops** or **short courses** in a relevant subject area
- If you have taken/are taking a **gap year(s)** tell us about spending your time out constructively (that includes working to support yourself financially)
- Top tip – Don't take up too much of the form telling us about these unless relevant!

Health & Social Sciences applicant

“Working at a local care home for the elderly provided me with the opportunity to care for others in a responsible and attentive manner. I had to extend my communication skills by listening and speaking to residents and other team members”



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



Action words

Accomplish	Consult	Improvise	Persuade
Achieve	Coordinate	Increase	Pioneer
Active	Create	Indicate	Plan
Acquire	Deliver	Inspire	Prepare
Advise	Demonstrate	Instigate	Present
Analyse	Develop	Instruct	Produce
Apply	Devise	Introduce	Promote
Appraise	Direct	Investigate	Propose
Appropriate	Diversify	Involve	Provide
Arrange	Engage	Led	Research
Assist	Establish	Manage	Review
Attain	Evaluate	Negotiate	Revise
Coach	Examine	Obtain	Strengthen
Collaborate	Guide	Organise	Succeed
Collate	Identify	Originate	Supervise
Complete	Implement	Oversaw	Support
Compose	Improve	Perform	

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





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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