



## **UCAS Applications**

## for undergraduate students joining us in 2023

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Please note: The detail, dates and fees stated around the UCAS applications process are correct at the time of delivery (Spring 2023) and may be subject to change.







At the heart of

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

#### www.ucas.com



#### Welcome to your Hub

Stay organised, supported, and informed throughout the application process.







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







## Where to search for information

#### **BU** website

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



#### **Discover Uni**

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



## Choosing 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, groups work
- Work experience is there any opportunity for fieldwork,
- practical learning, study abroad
- Entry requirements are there required subjects and/or
- minimum grades, maths and English GCSE requirements

Required subject: Part of the <u>entry</u> <u>requirement</u> – 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.

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- 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 degreelevel 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**

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Submit application from <b>6 Sept</b>	Applications to Oxford & Cambridge 15 Oct	Get your application in by <b>25 Jan</b>	UCAS Extra opens 23 Feb You can still apply late up	Receive university decisions by <b>18 May</b> if you applied by 25 January	Make your firm & insurance choice by <b>B J L L D B</b> State of the second state of the se	Confirmation & Clearing (from early July) Mid-Aug
www.ucas.co	<u>om/key-dat</u>	<u>es</u>	until 30 Jun		Application cycle formally closes 30 Jun	All remaining applications through Clearing



## Making the application

- Maximum of 5 choices
- Choice restrictions in specific subject areas
  - Medicine, Veterinary, Dentistry-max 4
  - Oxford <u>or</u> 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

## £22.50

Single application

**E27** Multiple courses



## Making the application

**UCAS** At the heart of connecting people to higher education

- 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)

Personal details > Name, age, title, and gender	<b>Contact &amp; residency details</b> > Address, email, telephone, and where	Nationality details > Country and nationality details
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## Making the application

## **UCAS** At the heart of connecting people to higher education

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

#### Nominated access:

You can nominate someone to discuss your application on your behalf

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#### 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





## **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.** 





## **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..."

"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."

BA (Hons) Multimedia Journalism applicant



## **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!

"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"

Health & Social Sciences applicant



## 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 don't have traditional qualifications, or 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. Your offer may be one grade below the published tariff.

www.bournemouth.ac.uk/accessbu



## **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!





## Important skills and qualities

Approachable **Computer Literacy** Confidence Communication Efficiency Empathy Helpful Independence Listening Managing others Organisation

Problem solving Proactive Presenting Responsibility Self-expression Self-motivation Teamwork Using initiative Working independently





## **Action words**

Accomplish Achieve Active Acquire Advise Analyse Apply Appraise Appropriate Arrange Assist Attain Coach Collaborate Collate Complete Compose

Consult Coordinate Create Deliver Demonstrate Develop Devise Direct Diversify Engage Establish Evaluate Examine Guide Identify Implement Improve

Improvise Increase Indicate Inspire Instigate Instruct Introduce Investigate Involve Led Manage Negotiate Obtain Organise Originate **Oversaw** Perform

Persuade Pioneer Plan Prepare Present Produce Promote Propose Provide Research Review Revise Strengthen Succeed Supervise Support

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#### **Contact us**

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