

A large yellow rectangular area on the left side of the image contains the text 'UCAS Parents' Evening'. Above the text is a short white horizontal line. The background of the entire image shows two young men looking at a smartphone together.

# UCAS Parents' Evening

# 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

# What is UCAS?

**350+** universities and colleges:

**4** in Northern Ireland

**15** in Wales

**19** in Scotland

**324** in England

**35,000+** courses available



# DISCOVER OPTIONS



HIGHER  
EDUCATION



APPRENTICESHIPS



STUDYING  
ABROAD



GAP YEAR



GETTING A JOB

Head to UCAS to understand all your options and make the right choices for you.

# DISCOVER PATHWAYS

- **Certificate of Higher Education (CertHE) and Diploma of Higher Education (DipHE):** first and second year of a degree course.
- **Higher National Certificate (HNC) and Higher National Diploma (HND):** HNC is a one-year industry specific course, and the HND is a two-year industry specific course. Higher technical qualifications (HTQs) in England are an example of these.
- **Foundation degree:** flexible vocational qualification, combining both academic study and workplace learning. It usually takes two years to complete.
- **Bachelor's or undergraduate degree:** a three to four-year course which can also be available as a part-time option, allowing you to study and work.
- **Apprenticeships:** typically take between 8 months to 6 years to complete depending on their level. Apprenticeships are offered for levels 2-7 in N.I. and England, levels 2-6 in Wales, and SCQF levels 4-11 in Scotland. All nations offer degree level apprenticeships.

# WHY HIGHER EDUCATION?

## Opportunities while studying:

- Chance to study a subject they are **passionate** about.
- Achieve a qualification that could lead to their chosen **career**.
- Grow in **confidence**, make lifelong friends, and gain **independence** and important life skills that will widen their prospects.

## With a degree, they'll have:

- the opportunity to follow their **career path**
- **better job prospects**, as many employers target graduates
- **higher earning potential**

# 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

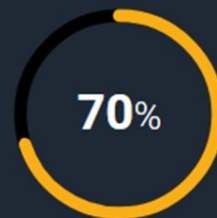
- ✓ What careers have recent graduates gone on to?

## 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

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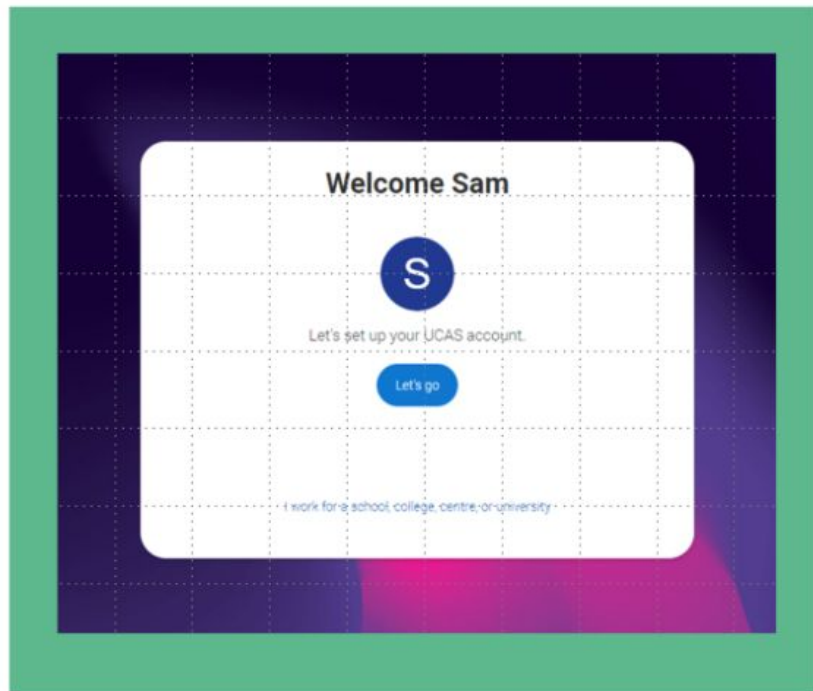
# Research resources



# Discover options

Register with the UCAS Hub to:

- explore careers, subjects, places, and apprenticeships in one place
- find and favourite over 35,000 courses
- search for open days, events and virtual tours
- turn predicted grades into UCAS Tariff points
- speak to those in the know using [Unibuddy](#)
- try before you apply with [Subject Spotlights](#) from Springpod.
- take the [UCAS Quiz](#) to find career matches
- start your application



# Your Hub

Your personalised homepage and discovery hub



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What to do

Where to go

Search



## Welcome back Sam

You're applying for Undergraduate courses in 2027 - Change year

### Start an application



Apply to universities, colleges, or conservatoires to study degrees, HNDs, HNCs, masters degrees, postgraduate diplomas, and doctorates.

[Start an application](#)

#### DISCOVER WHAT TO DO

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



#### What subject should I take?

Read our subject guides to see what might be right for you.



#### How to apply

All you need to know about applying to university, college or an apprenticeship.

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[Find out more >](#)

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[Learn more >](#)

#### DISCOVER CAREERS

Try our quiz and get recommended careers that match your skills and personality traits.

[Take the quiz](#)



#### Key application dates

Find out what you need to do and when.



#### How to nail that personal statement

Writing a personal statement can be daunting. Follow our tips and advice to help make it easier.

#### DISCOVER WHERE TO GO

Browse universities, colleges and employers and learn more about cities and regions in the UK.  
[Find out more](#)



# Build your profile. Favourite as you go.

Browse by

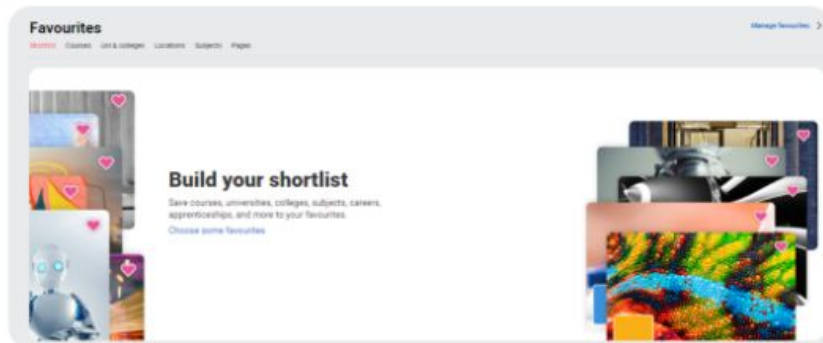


Explore your future

What to do? Where to go? Discover all the options with our subject, industry, and career guides. Explore city, employer and accommodation information. Compare apprenticeships and course opportunities for you.

Build your shortlist

Save for courses, universities, colleges, subjects, apprenticeships and more! Use to shortlist your top 5 choices, manage, keep those favourite information pages to hand.



# BUILD YOUR PROFILE. FAVOURITE AS YOU GO.

## Your Hub

Your personalised homepage and discovery hub



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### Favourites

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# UCAS COURSE SEARCH

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- ACM (The Academy of Contemporary Music)
- ARU London
- ASU London
- Abertay University
- Aberystwyth University
- Academy of Live Technology
- Activate Learning
- Amity University [IN] London
- Anglia Ruskin University
- Architectural Association School of Architecture
- Arden University
- Arts Educational Schools
- Arts University Bouenmouth
- Arts University Plymouth
- Associated Studios Performing Arts Academy

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### 2D Animation and Stop Motion

Teesside University  
BA (Hons) - Full-time - 2 study options - September 2025  
Teesside University Middlesbrough Campus

UCAS Tariff: 96 - 112 points

[See all 798 courses at this provider](#)



### 2D Digital Animation

University of Hertfordshire  
BA (Hons) - Full-time - 2 study options - September 2025  
Main Site

UCAS Tariff: 112 - 120 points

[See all 1738 courses at this provider](#)



### 2D Digital Animation and Design Production

Bournemouth and Poole College  
FBA - 2 years - Full-time - September 2025  
Poole Campus

UCAS Tariff: 48 points

[See all 19 courses at this provider](#)

TRY UNIVERSITY DEGREES BEFORE YOU APPLY DISCOVER YOUR OPTIONS NOW



### 3D Animation

Ravensbourne University London  
BA (Hons) - 3 years - Full-time - September 2025  
Main Site

UCAS Tariff: 64 points

[See all 139 courses at this provider](#)



### 3D Animation & Visual Effects

University of Chichester  
BA (Hons) - 3 years - Full-time - September 2025  
Bognor Regis Campus, University of Chichester

UCAS Tariff: 104 - 112 points

[See all 538 courses at this provider](#)



### 3D Animation and Games Development

Grwp Llandrillo Menai  
FBA - 3 study options - September 2025  
Colap Llandrillo - Rhos on Sea

UCAS Tariff: 72 points

[See all 171 courses at this provider](#)



### 3D Animation and Games Development (Top up)

Grwp Llandrillo Menai  
BSc (Hons) - 3 study options - September 2025  
Colap Llandrillo - Rhos on Sea

UCAS Tariff: N/A

[See all 171 courses at this provider](#)

Sort by: Relevance  
Course title (A to Z)  
Course title (Z to A)  
Uni or college (A to Z)  
Uni or college (Z to A)  
Tariff requirements (High to low)  
Tariff requirements (Low to high)



## Favourite courses

List

Grid

ⓘ You can shortlist up to 5 courses



### Animal Bioscience and Management

University Centre Askham Bryan

BSc (Hons) · 3 Years · Full-time · York · 2025

UCAS Tariff: 84 points

↔ Add to Shortlist



### Accounting and Finance

University of Plymouth

No option selected, please visit the [course details](#) page to review and favourite the available options.

UCAS Tariff: N/A

↔ Add to Shortlist



### 3D Animation and Visualisation

Glasgow Caledonian University

BSc (Hons) · 4 Years · Full-time · Glasgow · 2026

UCAS Tariff: N/A

↔ Add to Shortlist



### Accountancy and Business Law

University of Stirling

BAcc (Hon) · 4 Years · Full-time · Stirling · 2026

UCAS Tariff: N/A

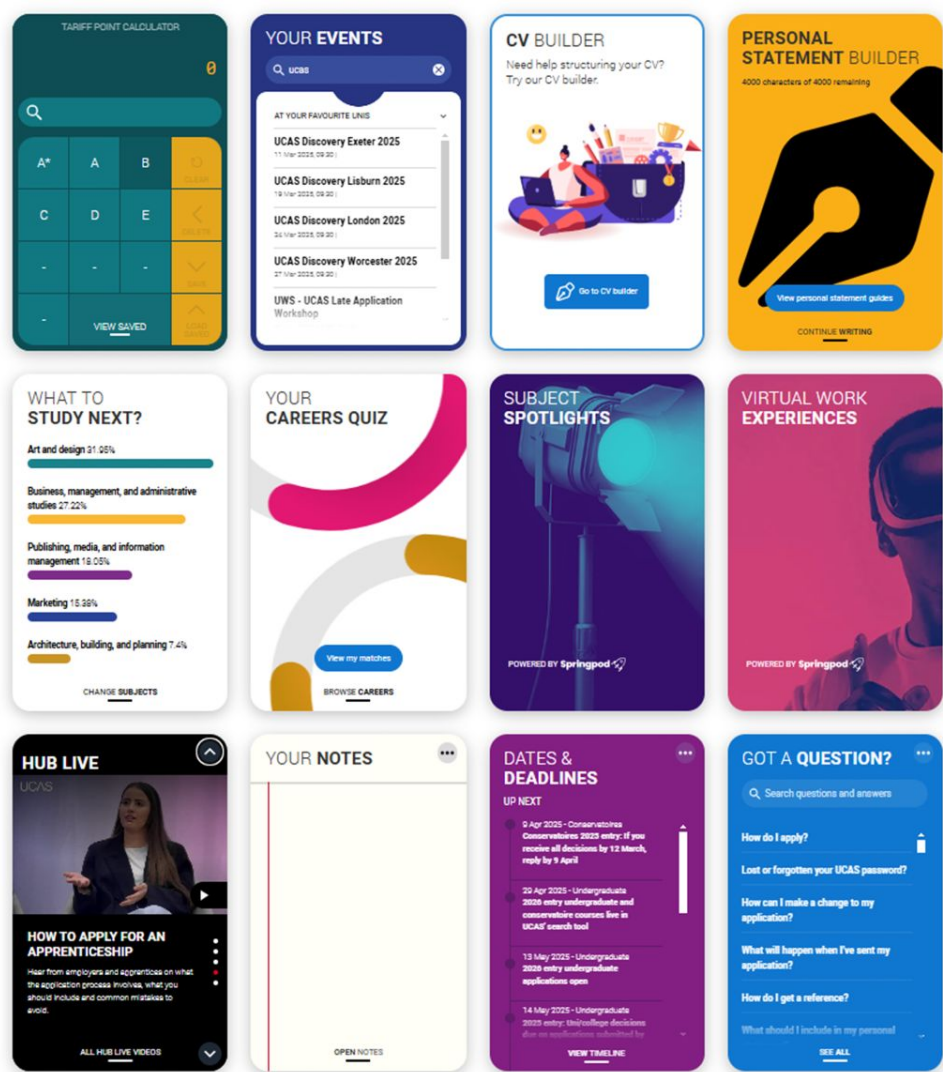
↔ Add to Shortlist



Close

# 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.



# 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...**  
...ter Metropolitan



**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

# VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE

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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 - 30/06/2025  
**Start now**

- Accounting, banking & finance (9)
  - Agricultural & environmental (1)
  - Business, administration & consulting (3)
  - Construction & trades (2)
  - Digital, it and computing (2)
  - Energy & utilities (6)
  - Engineering (7)
  - Government & politics (1)
  - Healthcare & medicine (12)
  - Hospitality, catering & events (2)
  - Law & legal services (1)
  - Property & surveying (1)
  - Publishing & journalism (1)
  - Retail (1)
  - Science & research (4)
- [Show more](#)



**mydentist Virtual Work Experience programme**  
Medicine  
This programme will explore an array of career opportunities available at mydentist  
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**

# Chat to students



A peer-to-peer chat facility hosted on [ucas.com](https://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

[More info](#)



# SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES & GRANTS

## Search

Scholarships, bursaries & grants

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Search for items

Not all scholarships, bursaries, and grants are on UCAS.com. Check directly with your chosen university for all available options. [Learn more](#)

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EXPLORE UNIS FROM THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME WITH OUR VIRTUAL TOURS!

<b>Global Futures Scholarships - North America - Undergraduate</b> Funding application deadline: 05 Mar 2026 University of Manchester £10,000.00	<b>Rest of UK (RUK) Bursary 2026-27</b> Funding application deadline: 27 Aug 2026 University of Dundee £2,000.00	<b>Sir Thomas White Scholarship</b> Funding application deadline: 31 Mar 2026 University of Northampton £4,500.00	<b>(RUK) Academic Excellence Bursary - 2026-27</b> Funding application deadline: 27 Aug 2026 University of Dundee £3,000.00
<b>2025-26 Business Scholarships</b> Funding application deadline: None Hartpury University Between £2,000 to £3,500	<b>2025-26 Postgraduate Country Scholarship</b> Funding application deadline: None Hartpury University Up to £5,000	<b>2026-27 Alumni Discoun Scholarship</b> Funding application deadline: None Northumbria University, Newcastle 20%	<b>Care Leavers and Experience of Care Scholarship</b> Manchester Metropolitan University
<b>2026-27 PGT International Scholarships for South Asian Applicants</b> Funding application deadline: None Northumbria University, Newcastle £3,000.00	<b>2026-27 UG International Scholarships</b> Funding application deadline: None Northumbria University, Newcastle £9000	<b>2026/27 Postgraduate International Scholarship</b> Funding application deadline: None Northumbria University, Newcastle £3,000.00	<b>Scholarship information</b> <b>Value</b> £6,000 in years one and two, £8,000 in your final year for two undergraduate students. <b>Study level</b> New, full-time undergraduate students in their first year only. <b>Aim of the scholarship</b> Supported by a number of donations over the years, this Scholarship offers support to undergraduate students who are care leavers and care-experienced to help improve social mobility.

### Details

Amount: £6,000.00 to £8,000.00  
Domicile: UK  
Study level: Undergraduate  
Awarded by: Manchester Metropolitan University  
Funding application deadline: 31 Jul 2026

Apply

Funding application deadline:

**31 Jul 2026**

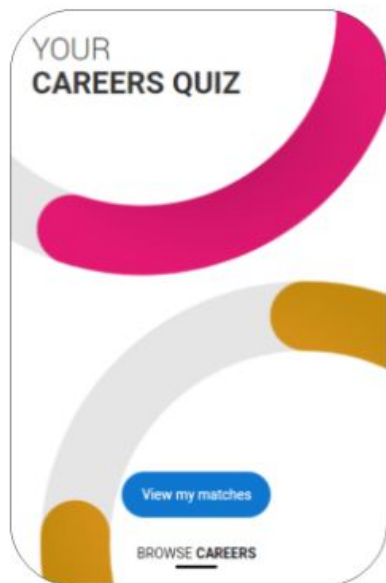
To apply for this scholarship you must submit your application on the scholarship provider's website by this date.

# Personalised tools to help

## UCAS Quiz

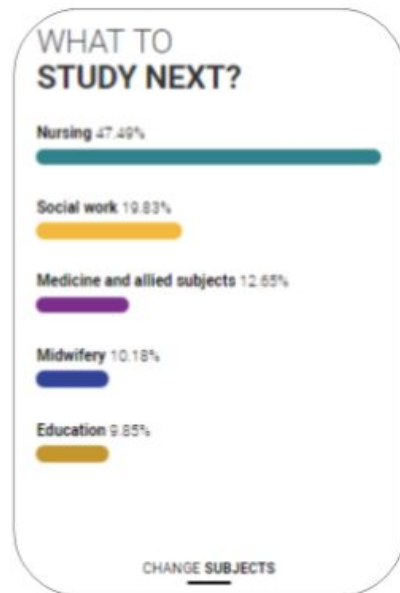
Find job and career ideas matched to your personality.

Plus a list of courses previous students studied in order to get there.



## What to study next?

Broaden your horizons by exploring another subject area, that student's who did your qualification went on to study.

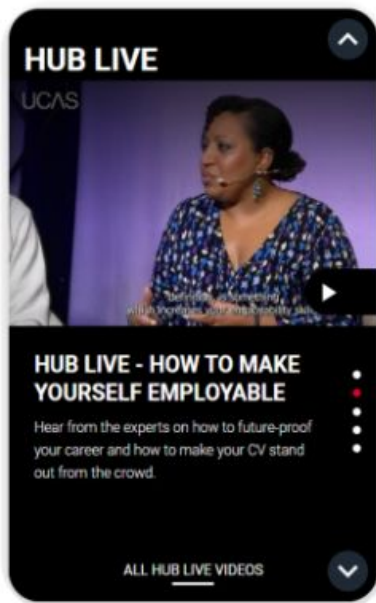


# Advice and events

## Hub lives

Watch expert interviews [on demand](#).

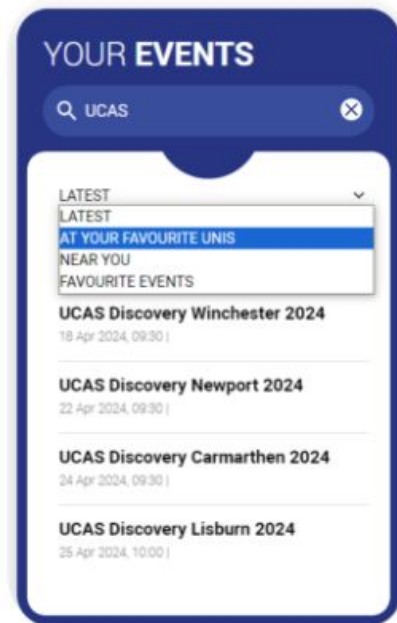
Make an informed decision about the right path for you. University, apprenticeships or the world of work.



## Your events

Filter to explore events, open days and tours to suit your needs.

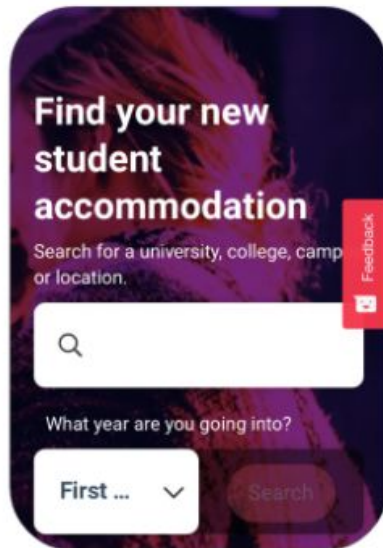
Register straight from the Hub for our UCAS Discovery events, with exciting new zones covering all pathways.



# What else do you need?

## Accommodation

High on the list when considering where to study, but it's not always easy to compare what's on offer. Understand what options there are using our [accommodation search](#).



## Personal Statement Builder

Designed to help you think about what to include, and how to lay it all out. It counts how many characters you've used, so it's easy to see when you're close to the 4,000 character limit.





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.

# KEY DATES FOR 2027



Conservatoire deadline is early October for some courses

\* 18:00 UK time

# Internal Deadlines

These are set earlier than the UCAS deadlines to ensure that all students' applications are carefully checked before being sent to UCAS

- **19 June 26** First draft of personal statement to tutors.
- **3 July 26** Second draft of personal statement to tutor (subject specialist appointment)
- **1 September 26** UCAS applications can be submitted
- **18 September 26** Application deadline for courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry, and courses at Oxford or Cambridge.
- **23 October 26** Aim to complete and submit UCAS application by this date
- **13 November 26** Final deadline to submit application internally.

# 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 or college on behalf of the student.



Universities and colleges make their decisions on the application.

# APPLICATION PROFILE

- Personal details
- Nationality details
- Where you live
- Contact details
- Supporting information
- Finance and funding
- Diversity and inclusion
- More about you

<p><b>Personal details</b></p> <p>Name, age, title and gender</p> <p>Start this section</p>	<p><b>Nationality details</b></p> <p>Birthplace and nationalities</p> <p>Start this section</p>	<p><b>Where you live</b></p> <p>Tell us about your address history</p> <p>Section in progress</p>
<p><b>Contact details</b></p> <p>Address, email, and telephone</p> <p>Section in progress</p>	<p><b>Supporting information</b></p> <p>So that providers know how to support you during your studies</p> <p>Start this section</p>	<p><b>Finance &amp; funding</b></p> <p>Tell us how you'll fund your study</p> <p>Start this section</p>
<p><b>Diversity &amp; inclusion</b></p> <p>Additional equality information</p> <p>Start this section</p>	<p><b>More about you</b></p> <p>Tell us about any circumstances that you might need support for during your studies.</p> <p>Start this section</p>	

# APPLICATION EXPERIENCES

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

\*(for students with a UK home address)

\*\* (not visible if linked to your school/college)

## Experience

### Education

Qualifications and periods of study

🕒 Section in progress

### Employment

Paid employment

✓ Section complete

### Extra activities

Taken part in any activities to prepare you for higher education?

Start this section


## Your personal statement

### Personal statement


Why do you want to study this subject?


Start this section

# THE PERSONAL STATEMENT


 Your chance to show your passion, curiosity, interest.


 Three separate sections with question prompts.

 A maximum of 4,000 characters, minimum of 350 characters per section.

 The same for all your choices.

 There isn't a spelling or grammar check.

 No formatting allowed.

 Every personal statement is run through similarity detection software.

## 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 statements

- 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?

Use the ABC method for your personal statement

Activity - What you have done?

Benefit - What skills it has given you?

Course - How these skills relate to your course or career

# References

Section 1 - background of the Sixth Form

Section 2 - extenuating circumstances

Section 3 - academic information

# DECISIONS

Universities and colleges will review the whole application including:



Qualifications



Personal statement



Reference

They may also require :



Admissions test



Interview



Portfolio / audition

# TRACKING YOUR APPLICATION

Follow your application to:

- check progress
- see your choices
- update contact information
- view and reply to your offers

One of three decisions:

- unconditional offer
- conditional offer
- unsuccessful



## 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 application has been returned by your adviser

Your adviser has returned your application, go to your application to see what amendments they are recommending for you.



## Waiting for decisions

Universities or colleges are considering your application.  
**Providers have until dd-mm-yyyy to respond to your choices.**

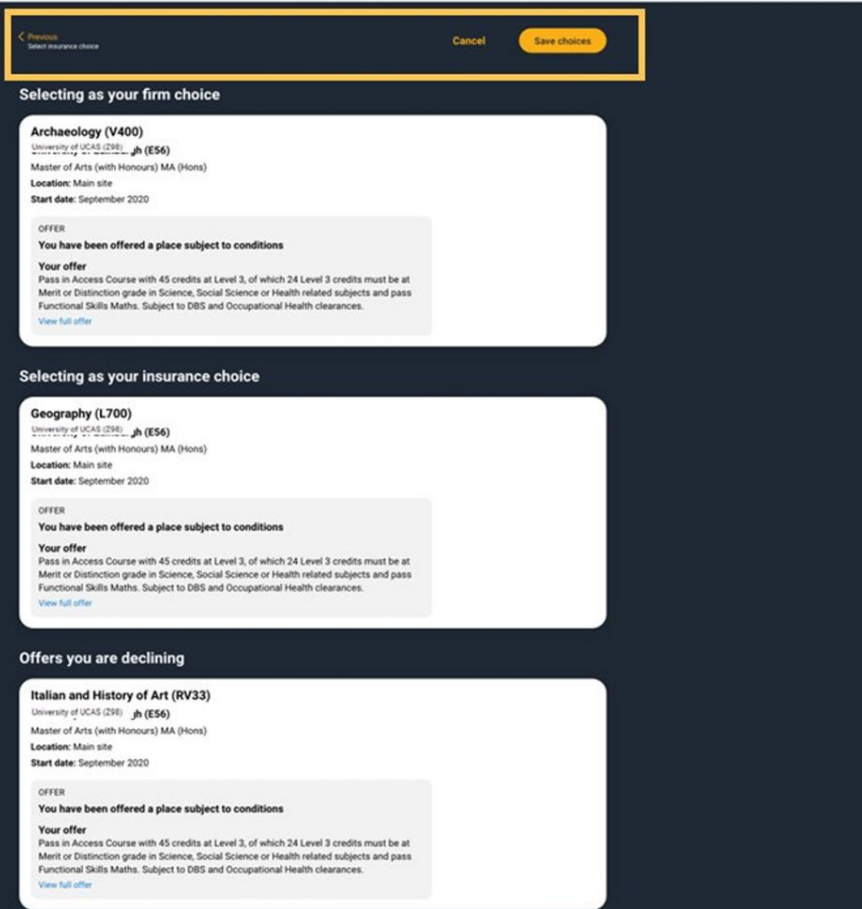


## All decisions received

You've received a decision from all of your choices. You can now reply to your offers at any time.  
**Reply by dd-mm-yyyy**

# REPLIES TO OFFERS

- Once you've made your decisions, choose a 'firm' and 'insurance' choice.
- Decline any remaining offers.
- If you're not holding an offer, use Extra or Clearing to find available places.



Previous Next insurance choice Cancel Save choices

### Selecting as your firm choice

**Archaeology (V400)**  
University of UCAS (298) **jh (E56)**  
Master of Arts (with Honours) MA (Hons)  
Location: Main site  
Start date: September 2020

OFFER  
**You have been offered a place subject to conditions**

**Your offer**  
Pass in Access Course with 45 credits at Level 3, of which 24 Level 3 credits must be at Merit or Distinction grade in Science, Social Science or Health related subjects and pass Functional Skills Maths. Subject to DBS and Occupational Health clearances.  
[View full offer](#)

### Selecting as your insurance choice

**Geography (L700)**  
University of UCAS (298) **jh (E56)**  
Master of Arts (with Honours) MA (Hons)  
Location: Main site  
Start date: September 2020

OFFER  
**You have been offered a place subject to conditions**

**Your offer**  
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[View full offer](#)

### Offers you are declining

**Italian and History of Art (RV33)**  
University of UCAS (298) **jh (E56)**  
Master of Arts (with Honours) MA (Hons)  
Location: Main site  
Start date: September 2020

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# OTHER OPTIONS

## Extra (25 Feb – 1 Jul)

- Used all five choices and had no offers find a place using Extra.

## Clearing (2 Jul – 18 Oct)

- Whether you've exceeded expectations, changed your mind, or don't have a place.
- **Clearing is for everyone.**
- Understand the process to take control of your options.



# What can students be doing?

- research, research, research
- attend open days and events
- extracurricular and super curricular activities
- work experience
- volunteering
- independent learning outside the curriculum
- focus on this year's studies



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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.



# How can you support them?

Research

Use the parents/guardians' section of the UCAS website at [www.ucas.com/parents](http://www.ucas.com/parents).

Sign up

Sign up for 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

Make sure they read everything carefully that is sent to them and don't book family holidays at key times!

# Apprenticeships

What are  
apprenticeships?

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Study



Job



Wage\*

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

\* Foundation apprenticeships in Scotland are unpaid

# WHO ARE THEY FOR?

- Anyone 16 and over
- Anyone not in full time education\*
- Apprenticeships in Scotland, Wales or England require you to be living in the same country as the apprenticeship
- Apprenticeships in Northern Ireland require you to:
  - be employed or be about to take up paid employment in Northern Ireland
  - be working a minimum of 21 hours per week on a permanent contract

\* a foundation apprenticeship in Scotland is typically taken alongside Scottish Higher and National 5s





# What are the benefits?

- Apprenticeships are funded by the Government and/or the employer so **apprentices don't have loans or tuition fees.**
- Wages vary depending on the industry but **salaries can often be very competitive.**
- By the end of an apprenticeship, they'll **have the right skills and knowledge** needed for their chosen career.

# HOW DOES IT **WORK?**

- It's a real job where you **learn, gain experience, study for a qualification and get paid.**
- An apprentice is an employee, **with a contract of employment** and holiday leave.
- Over **600 different apprenticeships** available, from Nuclear Engineer to Architect to Digital Marketer.



\* Foundation apprenticeships in Scotland are unpaid



1. An apprenticeship takes between **one to six years to complete**.
2. Apprentices typically work for a **minimum of 30 hours a week** (and most will work full time, between 37 – 40 hours per week). Part-time options are also available in some cases.
3. Apprentices have time away from their day-job **protected for study**. This tends to equate to about a day a week and is also paid time.

# Part 2: Apprenticeship levels

## LEVEL 2

Intermediate

Job roles include Nuclear Operative, Junior Estate Agent, Rail Engineering Operative, Finance Assistant.

GCSE

## LEVEL 3

Advanced

Job roles include Chef De Partie, Fashion Assistant, Veterinary Nurse, IT Solutions Technician.

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## LEVEL 4+

Higher

Job roles include Marketing Executive, Journalist, Clinical Dental Technician.

FOUNDATION DEGREE+

## LEVEL 6-7

Degree

Job roles include Aerospace Engineer, Police Constable, Cyber Security, Ecologist.

BACHELOR'S OR MASTER'S DEGREE

# THE A-Z OF APPRENTICESHIPS

There are **over 600** possible apprenticeship 'standards' (training programmes) which exist. It's probably easier to name an industry that doesn't have an apprenticeship than to list all that do. Here are just a few...

- Accounting and Taxation
- Architect
- Boat Builder
- Building Surveyors
- Civil Engineer
- Cyber Security Technician
- Data Analyst
- Doctor (from 2023)
- Early Years
- Ecologist
- Farrier
- Food Technologist
- Game Programmer
- Geospatial mapping
- Harbour Master
- Historic Environment Adviser
- Internal audit professional
- Intelligence analyst
- Journalist
- Junior 2D artist (visual effects)
- Knitted product manufacturing
- Laboratory scientist
- Licensed conveyor
- Midwife
- Marketing Manager
- Nuclear Scientist and Engineer
- Nursing
- Operational firefighter
- Orthodontic therapist
- Paralegal
- Physiotherapist
- Quality practitioner
- Rail engineer
- Research scientist
- Social worker
- Software Developer
- Teacher
- Town planning assistant
- Utilities engineering
- Veterinary nurse
- Vehicle damage assessor
- Water process technician
- Workplace pensions consultant
- Youth worker

[www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/#](http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/#)

# WHEN CAN I APPLY?

- Advertised throughout the year; with no single application deadline.
- Larger organisations with multiple application processes may recruit earlier than smaller local organisations.
- Higher apprenticeships with a Sep/Oct start tend to recruit in the previous academic year.

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




# HOW DO I APPLY?

- Applications are made directly through the company or training provider.
- There is no limit on the number of applications you can make.
- The application process might vary across vacancies, you could be asked for:
  - CV and Covering Letter
  - Application Form
  - In App/Site application
- You can apply for universities and apprenticeships at the same time!



# Your pathways Side by side

When you register on [ucas.com](https://ucas.com), you can sign up to be linked to relevant apprenticeship opportunities that match your profile.



**Looking for Apprenticeships?**

We can match you to potential employers! Sign up for Smart Alerts to receive apprenticeship opportunities directly in your inbox.

[Go to Smart Alerts](#)

# 6 steps to follow

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— Step 1 ————— Step 2 ————— Step 3 ————— Step 4 ————— Step 5 ————— Step 6 —▶

Register on  
UCASHub

Option to sign up to receive  
alerts on opportunities that  
match your profile

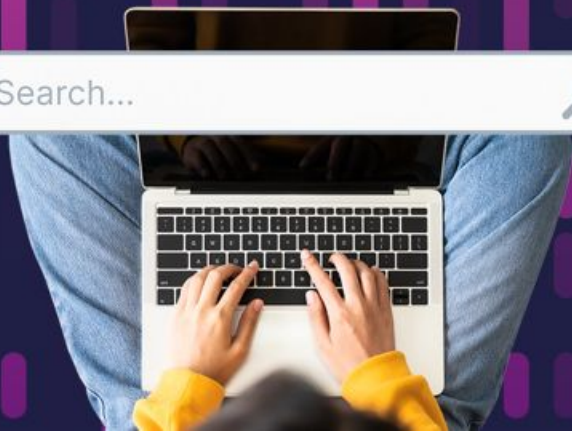
Explore subjects, courses,  
industries, job roles

Build your  
profile

Search  
for vacancies

Make an  
application

Search...



# HOW CAN UCAS HELP?

## Apprenticeship Application Guides

- Get to grips with what to expect when applying for specific industries.

## Live studio apprenticeship podcast

- Radio 1's Katie Thistleton chats to apprentices and experts about what you need to know.

## UCAS CV builder

- Create a professional CV in minutes.

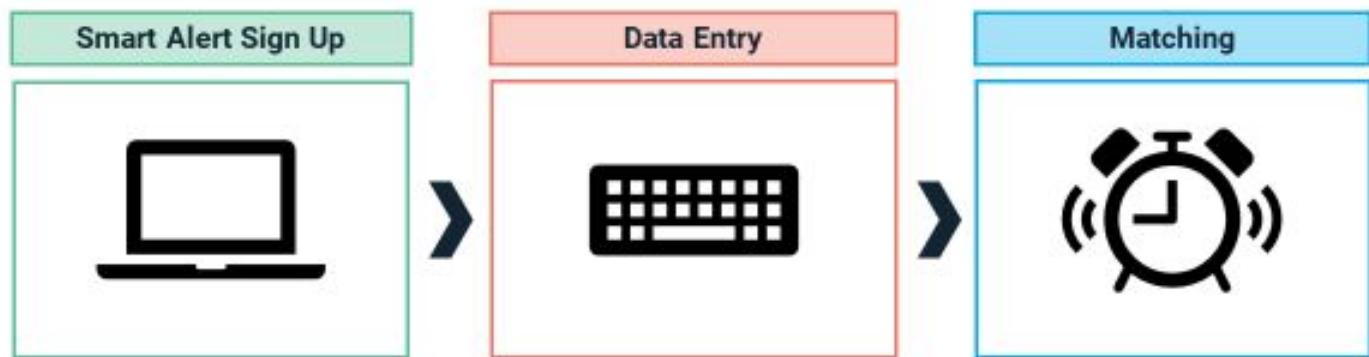
Find it all and more [ucas.com/apprenticeships](https://ucas.com/apprenticeships)



# NEW: Smart Alerts

Smart alerts are a new matching service offered by UCAS.

The service enables students to be matched to regional vacancies.



Students register for Smart Alerts in their Hub account.

Students enter information on their preferences such as location and area of interest.

If this matches an employer's search criteria, then they are invited to apply.

# Useful Websites

[gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship)

[apprenticeships.gov.uk](https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk)

[notgoingtouni.co.uk](https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)

[prospects.ac.uk](https://www.prospects.ac.uk)

[amazingapprenticeships.com](https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com)

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Apprenticeships website. At the top, the logo 'Apprenticeships' is on the left, and navigation links for 'APPRENTICES', 'EMPLOYERS', and 'INFLUENCERS' are on the right. The main header features a woman with her arms crossed and the text 'Connecting people with ambition to businesses with vision'. Below this is the HM Government logo. Three main content blocks are displayed: 'BECOME AN APPRENTICE' (for apprentices), 'HIRE AN APPRENTICE' (for employers), and 'INSPIRE AND INFLUENCE'. Each block includes a 'LEARN MORE' button. At the bottom, there is a row of partner logos including Travis Perkins, Clymac, VEOLIA, OOSHA, and AV. Below the logos is the NGTU logo and a search bar with filters for 'Employers and Providers', 'Advice Hub', 'RAF', 'Parents', and 'For Providers'.

The screenshot shows the 'Search For Opportunities' page. It features a background image of a young man and woman looking at a laptop. The main heading is 'Search For Opportunities' with a 'Sign Up Today' button. Below the heading is a search bar with three input fields: 'Job Title or Keyword', 'Search or Select Location', and 'Sector'. A 'Find Jobs' button is on the right. Below the search bar, it says 'Search through 820 opportunities'.

# UCAS Predicted Grades

Typically, we will predict you one grade above your Internal Exam Grade.

However there are some exceptions:

- A's to A\*'s - A\* are rare and rely on you performing well on every paper, so we cannot allocate everyone on an A grades A\*'s.
- If you have performed significantly better in your Internal Exams than other assessments.



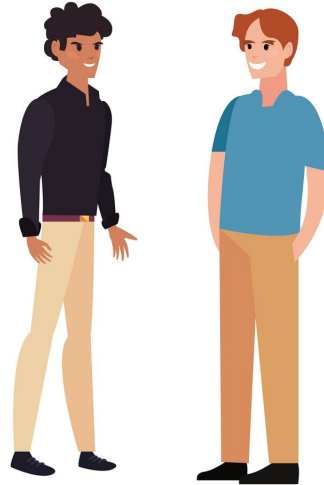
## Fred

Internal (end-of-year): A3

Mock: A2

Mini-mock: B1

Not likely to get an A\*



## Ben

Internal (end-of-year): A1

Mock: A1

Mini-mock: A3

More likely to get an A\*



## Claire

Internal (end-of year): B3

Mock: D1

Mini Mock: C3

Not likely to get an A



## Maria

Internal (end-of-year): B1

Mock: B3

Mini Mock: C1

More likely to get an A

Predicted grades should be:

- **entered for all pending qualifications**, unless the assessment method or structure of the qualification makes this inappropriate – failure to do so can lead to complications or, in some cases, the rejection of an application
- in the **best interests of applicants** – fulfilment and success at college or university is the end goal
- **aspirational but achievable** – stretching predicted grades can be motivational for students
- determined by **professional judgement** – your expertise and experience are vital in informing predictions
- **data-driven** – while each school will have its own process, you should look at past **Level 2 and Level 3 performance, and/or internal examinations to inform your predictions**
- finalised by the point of submitting an application – universities and colleges are only likely to consider the predicted grades received as part of the UCAS application. While they will make every effort to accommodate genuine errors in data entry, this may not always be possible for highly selective courses

# UCAS Rules

Predicted grades must **not** be:

- **affected by student, parental, guardian, or carer pressure** – there are risks associated with inflating and suppressing predicted grades
- **influenced by university or college entry requirements or behaviours** – predicted grades should be set in isolation of an applicant's university or college choice(s)
- affected by student behaviour or background – predicted grades should be made objectively and disregard external factors. Be careful to reflect on any preconceptions to mitigate against unconscious bias, particularly for **protected characteristics** (including sex, race, religion/belief, disability, sexual orientation, or gender reassignment)

# First task: personal statement

- To be sent to their tutor by Friday 19 June
- A key part to the application. They only write one.
- 4000 characters (inc. spaces) Approximately 500 words.  
350 characters minimum needed for each question
- Show your strengths, why you're passionate about the subject, work experience relevant to your application and ambitions

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THANK YOU



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