

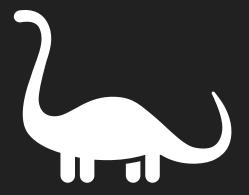
Applying to UK Universities

What's the application deadline?

18.00 Wednesday 25th January

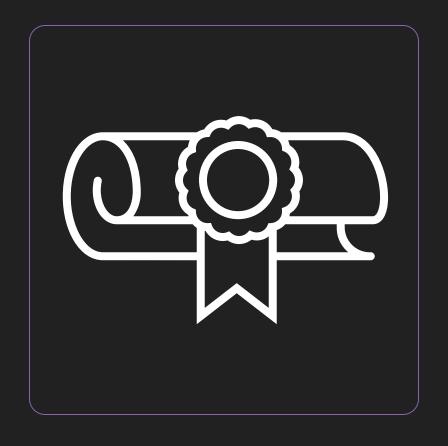
- "Equal Consideration"
- They look at everyone who meets the deadline together
- Competitive courses will fill/close places after this
- This does not apply for Postgraduate (Masters) Applications

You will need to use your own time



Postgraduate Applications

- Usually direct application on the university's own website
- A few courses can use UCAS
- Offers will be based on:
 - O Your Bachelor's result
 - O IELTS
 - O Your overall 'profile' as shown in your Personal Statement
 - Subject knowledge/Interest
 - O Relevant experience
 - O Academic and Personal Skills



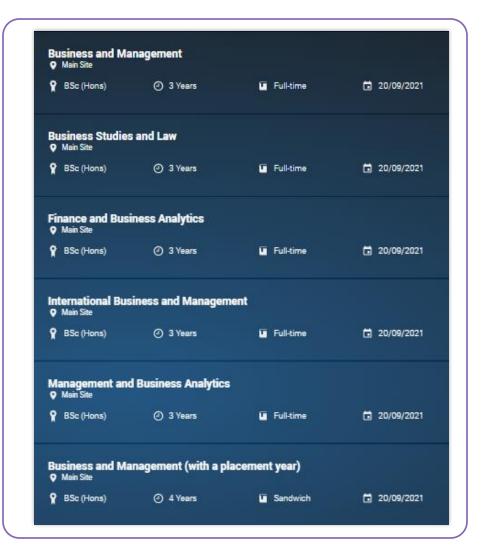
Undergraduate Applications

- O Apply through UCAS
- O Offers will be based on:
 - O Your Foundation Year Result
 - O IELTS
 - The qualities you show in your Personal Statement:
 - O Subject knowledge & (especially) Enthusiasm
 - O Academic and Personal Skills



Choosing your subject

- O What did you enjoy at school?
- O What subjects are you good at?
- O What do you want to do in the future?
- O What courses exist?
- O Search on UCAS.com



Choosing your universities

- O 5 choices
- O What's important to you?
 - O Location
 - O Age
 - O Size
 - O Research
 - O Course Structure
 - O Teaching Style
 - O Extra-Curricular Opportunities





Some broad generalizations

Older Universities

- More focused on Research
- O More famous internationally
- More International students
- More traditional teaching style
- Focus on theory & analysis
- More traditional, formal environment

Newer Universities

- More focused on Teaching
- Less well-known
- More British students
- O More interactive teaching style
- Focus on professional practice
- More relaxed environment

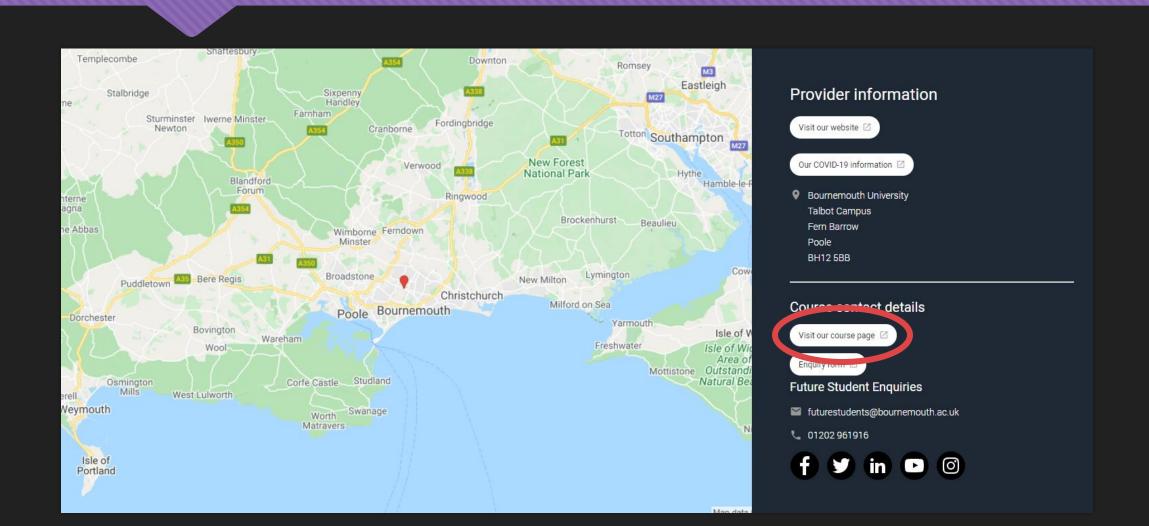
UCAS: Your new best friend

Central Point for everything

- O UCAS.com
- O Course Search
- O Your Hub
 - Information about subjects and applications
 - O Your Application



At the bottom of the UCAS course page



Be strategic

Universities will make 'Conditional Offers'

Based on your UFY grade and IELTS

Some just need a pass (40%)

Some are very high (70-80%)

Apply for a range for the best opportunity

Remember: You'll only go to one!

One from each column (plus 1)

Grade requirements are approximate, not guaranteed

65-75%	60-65%	50-55%	About 40%
Birmingham	Bournemouth	Brighton	Bath Spa
Durham	Bradford	HULT Business School	Cardiff Met
East Anglia (UEA)	Essex	Keele	Coventry
Exeter	Goldsmiths	Kingston	Derby
Lancaster	Oxford Brookes	Liverpool Hope	London Met
Leeds	Royal Holloway	ManchesterMet	London South Bank
Southampton	Surrey	Northumbria	South Wales
York	Sussex	UWE Bristol	

Your Personal Statement



- O 4 000 <u>characters</u> (incl. spaces)
 - OAbout 400-600 words
- O Personal but professional
- O Like an essay, not a letter
- O Approx. 80% subject-focused
- O 'Show, don't tell'

Your Personal Statement



- O How does your experience inspire your interest?
- O How does your subject inspire your worldview?
- O You understand the subject well enough to make an informed decision to study it.
- O You're interested and enthusiastic about it.
- O You're ready for higher level study.

Personal Statement Cheat Sheet

- ODownload the worksheet from the QR code
- OAnswer the questions in detail
 - OGive examples and your reactions/analysis
 - O'Experience' can be anything that connects you to your subject
- OTake the questions out and 'stitch' your answers together as a single 'essay'
- OThat is the foundations for your Personal Statement



UCAS

- For Undergraduate and some Postgraduate applications
- One central website
- Complete the form
- O Upload your Personal Statement
- O I can see your progress
- O And approve your application
- 1 application → 5 universities



Check the EF Uni Prep website for more

efupox.co.uk

- > Application Information
 - Using UCAS
 - Partner Universities



You'll create your account and start the application form in AcCul & AppW classes



- Pick your courses
- Think about your Statement

