

UCAS

UCAS – your journey

September 2025



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Apply



How to apply to universities for 2026 entry

Key dates for 2026

OCT
02

(18:00 UK time) Application deadline for conservatoire music applications

Applications for dance, drama, and musical theatre courses may have a different deadline – check conservatoires' websites for information.

JAN
29

(18:00 UK time) Deadline for most undergraduate courses and most conservatoire undergraduate dance, drama, or musical theatre courses

Applications can be sent after this, but providers cannot guarantee they'll give it equal consideration.

OCT
15

(18:00 UK time) Deadline for applications to the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and for most courses in medicine, dentistry, and veterinary medicine/science

Application can be sent after this, but universities and colleges concerned cannot guarantee they'll give it equal consideration.

JUL
05

Clearing opens

Clearing vacancies are shown in the UCAS search tool.

* 18:00 UK time

School Deadlines – undergraduate courses

- Personal Statement first draft: **Friday 10th October 2025**
- Final Application to be submitted to school: **Friday December 5th 2025**

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

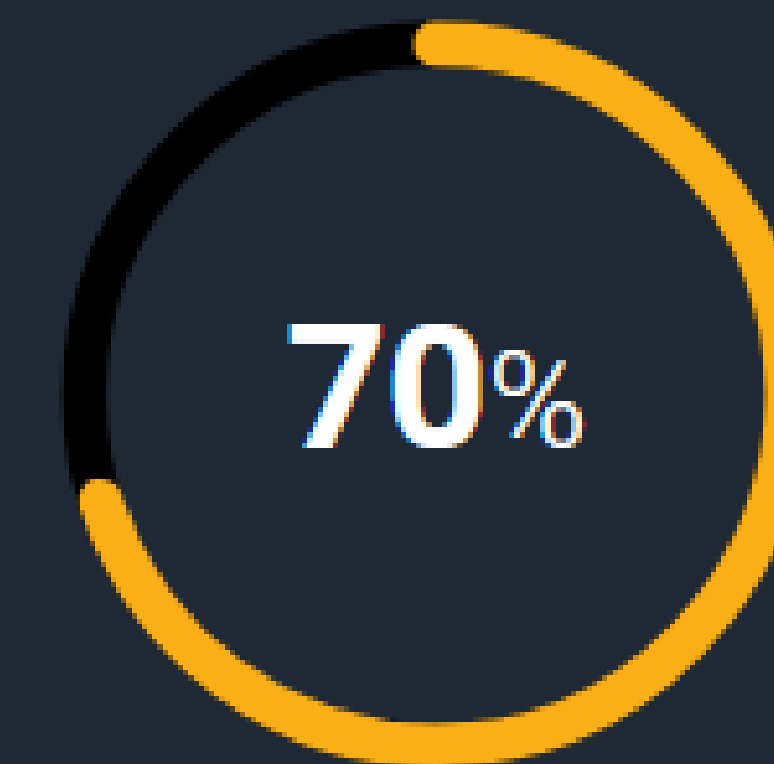
- ✓ What careers have recent graduates gone on to?

Costs

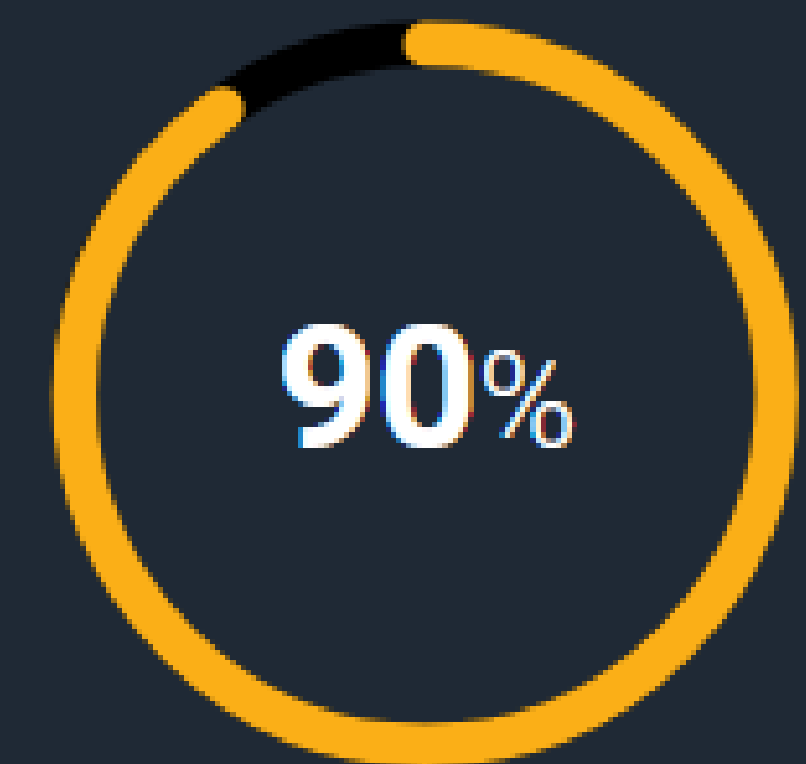
- ✓ Include living costs, accommodation, and transport.

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

Cancel

Application key facts



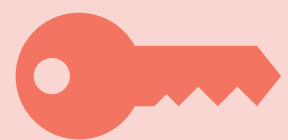
Invisibility - Universities and colleges **can't see** your other choices



Apply by the relevant **deadline date**.



Five choices, with some restrictions (medicine, veterinary, dentistry, Oxford and Cambridge).



Research is key to a successful application.



Applying costs £28.95.

Completing the **ucas** application



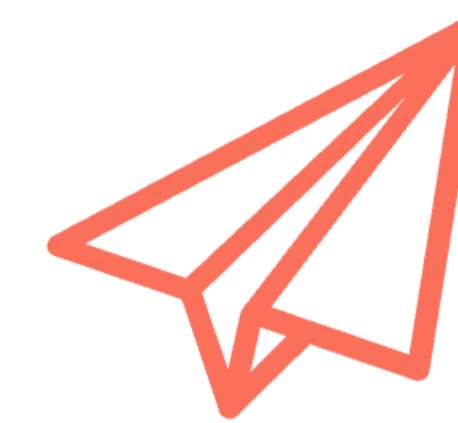
Student registers for a UCAS Hub account to carry out research and start an application.



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

* (for students with a UK home address)

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

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

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)



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.

the personal Statement

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.

A large, empty rectangular text box with a thin black border, intended for the applicant to write their response to the first question.

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.

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What are the questions?



Why do you want to study this course or subject?

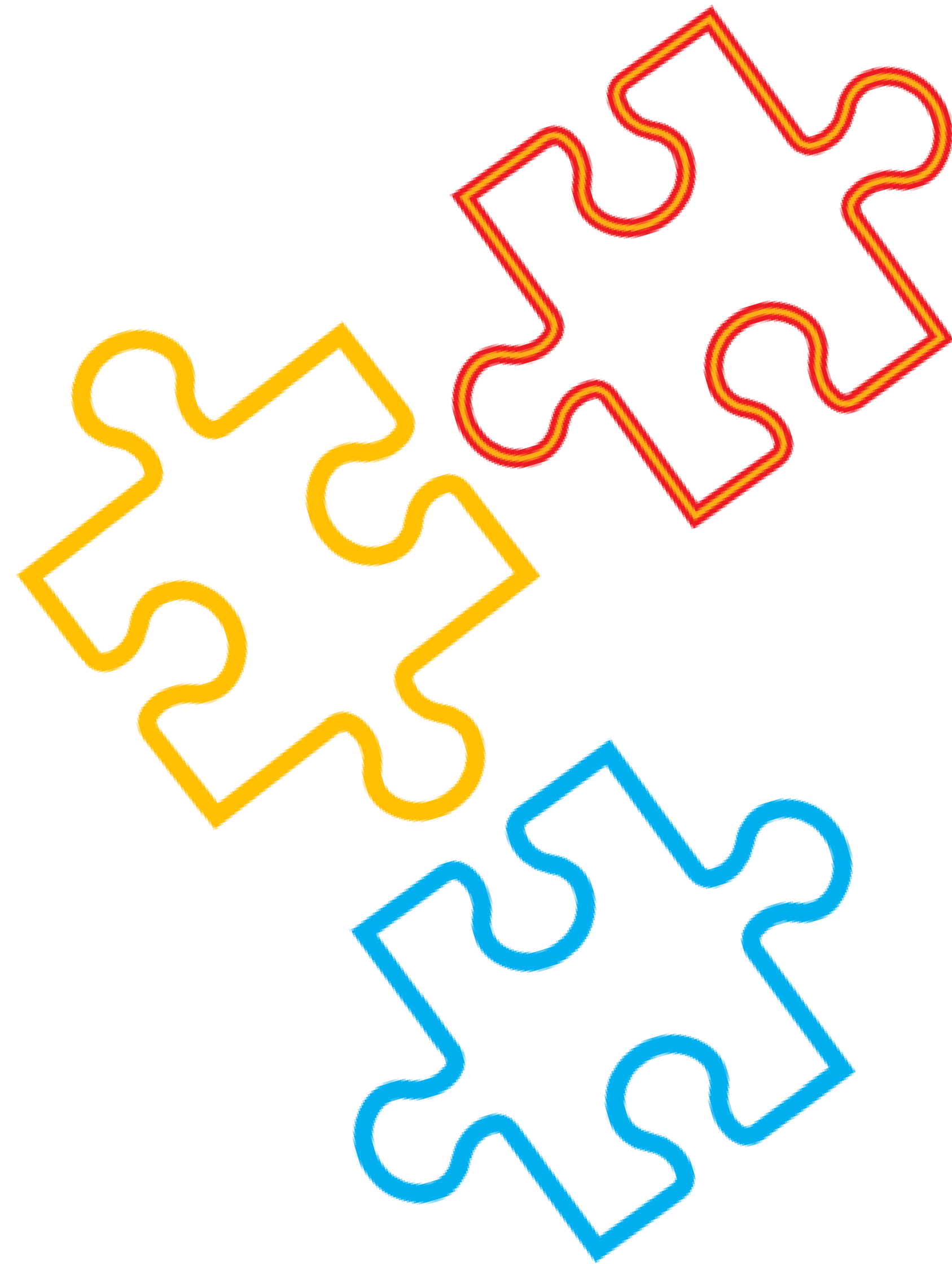


How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject?



What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful?

Build A **personal** Statement



Ultimately, think of it like a jigsaw.

Each piece is reflective evidence.

personal Statement support

PERSONAL STATEMENT BUILDER

4000 characters of 4000 remaining



[View personal statement guides](#)

CONTINUE WRITING



What to include in your achitecture, planning or building personal statement



What to include in your animal science personal statement



What to include in your art and design personal statement



What to include in your biology personal statement



What to include in your business management personal statement



What to include in your chemistry personal statement



What to include in your computer science personal statement



What to include in your dance personal statement



What to include in your dentistry personal statement



What to include in your drama personal statement



What to include in your economics personal statement



What to include in your engineering personal statement

Offers and Decisions



decisions

Universities and colleges will review the whole application including:



Qualifications



Personal statement



Reference



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



Welcome back Sam

You're applying for Undergraduate courses in 2026 - [Change year](#)

[+ Start application](#)

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2026 Undergraduate Application

Personal ID: 1280033960

[Go to application](#)



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Your feed

Your personal content feed



Replying to your offers

Find out when you need to reply and about the different replies you can make.

[Find out more](#)



UCAS terms explained

We break down what all the terms and phrases mean that we use, from DipHE to deferral.



Invited for interview?

Here's all you need to know about the interview process at university.



Get prepared for your results

Make sure you know what to expect when it comes to your results.

[Read more](#)

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.

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Further educationUndergraduatePostgraduateAlternativesCareers

Becca

CONFIRM YOUR CHOICES

UCAS Application

Your Personal ID number
116-000-7564

< Previous
Select insurance choice

Cancel

Save choices

Selecting as your firm choice

Archaeology (V400)

University of UCAS (Z98)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 (Z98)jh (E56)

Master of Arts (with Honours) MA (Hons)

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Offers you are declining

Italian and History of Art (RV33)

University of UCAS (Z98)jh (E56)

Master of Arts (with Honours) MA (Hons)

Location: Main site

Start date: September 2020

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Your offer

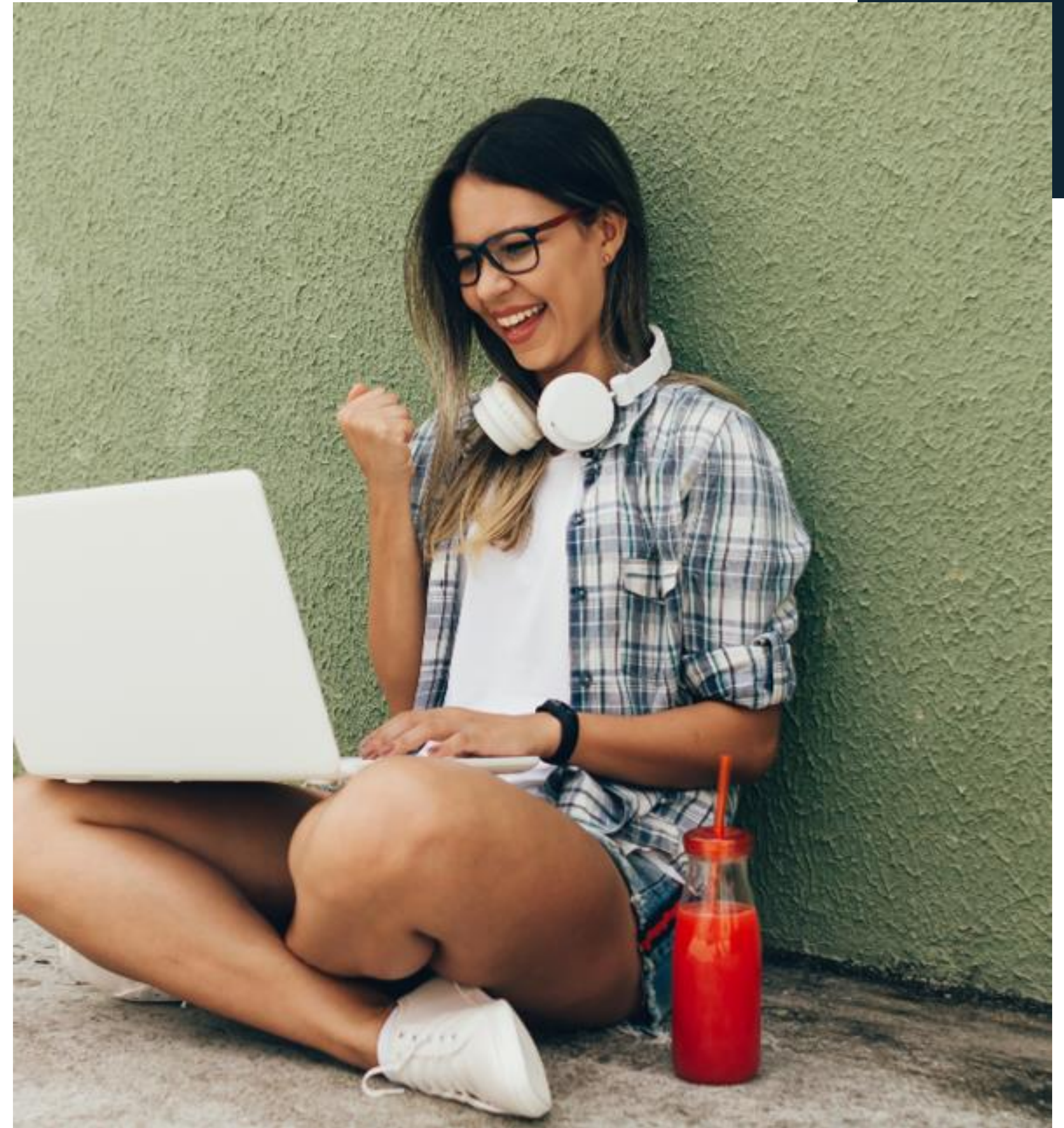
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View full offer

Other options

Clearing (2 Jul – Oct)

- Clearing is for students in various situations.
- Whether you've exceeded expectations, changed your mind, or don't have a place.
- Understanding the process helps you take control of your options.



Next steps



UCAS Support

What to be doing

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



www.ucas.com/parents

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.



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Thank you



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