

# UK Universities



**ADMISSION DEADLINES: 1<sup>st</sup> October – Conservatoire applications** (some music, drama, theatre courses)  
**15<sup>th</sup> October - Oxford/Cambridge and most Medicine, Vet, Dentistry courses**  
**15<sup>th</sup> January – All undergraduate courses** (there are a few exceptions with later deadlines) **IF YOU ARE READY TO APPLY DON'T DELAY. You can apply to 1 or more courses early if you are sure and then add other course choices up to the 5 by 15<sup>th</sup> Jan.**



**CHECKLIST BEFORE APPLYING:** Choose a maximum of 5 courses, for medicine you can only apply for 4 Medicine courses and one other course. You can only apply to either Oxford or Cambridge. You can apply for 2 or more courses at the same university but be aware of your personal statement you have to write if 2 very different course topics.

*\*PLEASE NOTE THIS IS INTENDED AS A GUIDE TO SUPPORT UNIVERSITY SEARCHING, INFORMATION CAN CHANGE FROM TIME TO TIME*

Question	Check / Research	Y/N
What do I know about study in the UK and why am I choosing to study there?	<a href="https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/ucas-undergraduate-international-and-eu-students">https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/ucas-undergraduate-international-and-eu-students</a>	
Am I applying for a Bachelor degree (with honors), Integrated Masters, with a Placement year, Joint Honors, Flexible Combined Honors, Year in industry, Apprentice Degrees, Foundation course?	<a href="https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/ucas-undergraduate-what-study">https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/ucas-undergraduate-what-study</a> <a href="https://www.ucas.com/alternatives/apprenticeships/apprenticeships-england/what-apprenticeships-are-available/degree-apprenticeships">https://www.ucas.com/alternatives/apprenticeships/apprenticeships-england/what-apprenticeships-are-available/degree-apprenticeships</a>	
Am I applying to Scotland? Why is a bachelor degree 4yrs and not 3yrs? What is a Masters in Scotland?	<a href="https://www.ed.ac.uk/studying/undergraduate/student-life/academic/degree-structure/degree-names">https://www.ed.ac.uk/studying/undergraduate/student-life/academic/degree-structure/degree-names</a>	
Course searching?	Unifrog account or <a href="https://digital.ucas.com/search">https://digital.ucas.com/search</a>	
What is the deadline for my course/s?	University website (always check, don't rely on a search engine platform for these key dates)	
Do I meet the entry requirements? (if you are applying for ambitious courses do they accept retake exams and/or 'near miss' on results day)	University website - IB (check for any subject/HL req and maths level) A-Level (check you meet the subject combination if stated, and ensure you meet any GCSE requirements)	
Are there additional entrance requirements a) tests to take and when are the deadlines? b) portfolio submission or auditions	STEP (maths), MAT (maths, some computer science), LNAT (some law courses), UCAT, BMAT (Medicine) etc. University website will list portfolio structure and guidance.	
Do I meet the English requirements?	Is English First Language or Second accepted or am I exempt as I have studied in UK Curriculum? <b>Do not make assumptions on this requirement, always check.</b> If you do not meet the requirements consider taking IELTS, Duolingo or Cambridge Advance English (check unis. requirements). Don't wait to the last minute to sit a test.	
If I am applying to Scotland, do I qualify to apply for Advanced Entry?	Do I meet the subject requirements and are my predicted grades high enough to apply to start in yr2? Check the university course info.	
Does the programme include the option of a study year abroad or work placement year?	What are the fees if I study abroad for a year and do I get paid for the internship/work placement? What fee do I need to pay the university for the work placement year? What support does the uni give to find a work placement? What are the employability rates?	
Have you checked with your parents (or whomever is supporting you financially) that the tuition fees and living costs are affordable?	Check tuition fees ( <b>EU/International fees are the same level from 2021 – fees vary at each university for different courses</b> ). <a href="https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Fees-and-Money/Home-or-Overseas-fees-the-basics">https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Fees-and-Money/Home-or-Overseas-fees-the-basics</a> Check living/accommodation costs for each university. <a href="https://university.which.co.uk/student-budget-calculator">https://university.which.co.uk/student-budget-calculator</a>	

Question (Cont.)	Check / Research	Y/N
Are there any scholarship options I could consider and when are the closing dates? ( <i>most scholarships are for postgraduate study</i> )	University website and <a href="https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Fees-and-Money/Scholarships-and-funding-your-studies#layer-5917">https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Fees-and-Money/Scholarships-and-funding-your-studies#layer-5917</a>	
Am I planning to visit the Universities? What do I know about the Faculty/Department?	Book open day visits or as a minimum sign up to those universities offering webinar introduction sessions. Use BSB question guide in your Unifrog locker on your visits. <b>Consider looking at University Virtual Tours</b> <a href="https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours">https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/what-and-where-study/open-days-and-events/virtual-tours</a>	
Have you reviewed the course content,	Course details on the website. What are the optional and core modules? What is the style of assessment? Number of teaching hours?	
What accommodation options are there?	University website. Campus housing? When do you apply?	
VISA requirements?	International - <a href="https://www.ukcisa.org.uk">https://www.ukcisa.org.uk</a> <b>From Jan 2021 for EU students</b> <a href="https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/EU-EEA--Swiss-Students/Brexit-immigration-fees-and-student-support-for-when-you-arrive/For-students-intending-to-study-in-the-UK-in-2021-22">https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/EU-EEA--Swiss-Students/Brexit-immigration-fees-and-student-support-for-when-you-arrive/For-students-intending-to-study-in-the-UK-in-2021-22</a>	
Will I be 17yrs old when I start?	Check the university requirements, will you require a guardian.	


**READY TO APPLY - DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:**

Document	From where	Y/N
Register for your entrance test (IF REQUIRED)  LNAT/UCAT dates vary. All other tests to register by 15 <sup>th</sup> October unless you have additional access arrangements, this needs to be done by 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	<b>Please email <a href="mailto:exams@bsb.edu.es">exams@bsb.edu.es</a> to register. Registration is complete when exam team send your candidate entry number to you as proof.</b> You must provide the following information in your email to exam team; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>your name, gender, date of birth and UCAS ID number (name as entered on your UCAS application)</li> <li>the name of your university/ies, course/s and course code/s you are applying to that require the test</li> </ul> details of any access arrangements you require, along with the evidence to support your request. Requests for modified question papers must be submitted to us by the school by end of Sept.	
Previous Grades	You will need to have your original/copy GCSE/IGCSE certificates (or previous education equivalent for Yr10/yr11) and A/S level and EPQ grades (if achieved). For IB just your GCSE/IGCSE grades. <b>(Ask Consol Fernandez for the certificates. If you did not take these exams at BSB, you will need to request from your previous school if you attended elsewhere for yr10/yr11)</b>	
Personal Statement	4000-character limit (47 lines). Created in your Unifrog account. It will only be reviewed in Unifrog not via emails.	
Predicted Grades	Your subject teacher will list your predicted grade by subject on your Unifrog account (activity usually completed by end of Sept/Oct).	
Teacher References	You need to select <b>ALL</b> your <b>subject teachers from yr12</b> in your Unifrog account (Teacher references tab). Teachers will enter your references, only staff will be able to view these and your references will be uploaded to UCAS by BSB.	
(usually required) Proof of English Language Proficiency	You will need to either have your IGCSE/GCSE certificate or IELTS/CAE score or certificate prior to July or August 2022 to show proof to the University.	



**APPLICATION:** Applications are made through UCAS (Art Foundation/Foundation courses are direct applications to universities) if applying to UCAS Conservatoire you need to apply via <https://www.ucas.com/ucas-conservatoires-apply-and-track>

1. Apply online at <https://www.ucas.com/students> (BSB will give you a Code & instructions to set up an account)
2. School will upload your predicted grade and references



**WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:** Wait for decisions from your universities, via email and your UCAS account where you can track the status of your application. In Spring you will then select your Firm/Insurance choices.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU READ ALL YOUR EMAILS AS THERE ARE IMPORTANT ACTIONS TO FOLLOW UP – it can be related to missing documents, admission test requirements or interview.**

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/after-you-apply/ucas-undergraduate-types-offer>