



Year 11/12 Higher Education Evening

March 2024

Post - 18 Pathways

- The Options (Pathways booklet)
- Role of Enrichment
- UCAS & Student Finance
- Apprenticeships/Degree Apprenticeships
- Conservatoire
- Work Experience and unifrog
- Forthcoming Events
- Questions



Why are we starting the process early?

- Listen to Student voice - Not wanting applications to clash with mocks/ year 13 assessments
- UCAS Applications open in May
- Limit risk of students missing deadlines
- With increasing number of applicants across the country, universities will see our applications earlier
- Guide students through the process, with expertise from university speakers

Overview of Post 18 Pathways

- University Degree
- Degree Apprenticeship
- Higher Education Study eg Conservatoire
- Apprenticeship
- Employment (not linked to apprenticeship)
- Gap year travel / volunteering



Ethical Hacking

Theatre practice (puppetry)

Viking studies

Surf science and technology

75% of students only search for 25% of courses available.

Brewing & distilling

Cruise management

Applied golf management

DJ practice

Wine Production

*Equestrian psychology
& sports science*

Adventure education

unifrog

Exploring pathways

Interests profile

✕ Quiz not taken

Start >

Personality profile

✕ Quiz not taken

Start >

Work environments profile

✕ Quiz not taken

Start >

Careers library

✕ Careers favourited

Go to tool >

Subjects library

✕ Subjects favourited

Go to tool >

Know-how library

✓ Guides favourited

Go to tool >

MOOC

Make your first shortlist

Start >

Webinars

Hear directly from the experts

Go to tool >

Read, Watch, Listen

✕ Profiles favourited

Start >

Searching for opportunities

UK universities

Make your first shortlist

Start >

US universities

Make your first shortlist

Start >

European universities

Make your first shortlist

Start >

Oxbridge

Make your first shortlist

Start >

Apprenticeships

Make your first shortlist

Start >

College / Sixth Form

Make your first shortlist

Start >

Canadian universities

Make your first shortlist

Start >

Asian universities

Make your first shortlist

Start >

Australasian universities

Make your first shortlist

Start >



UCAS

Information and advice on



Higher
education



Apprenticeships/
traineeships



Studying
abroad



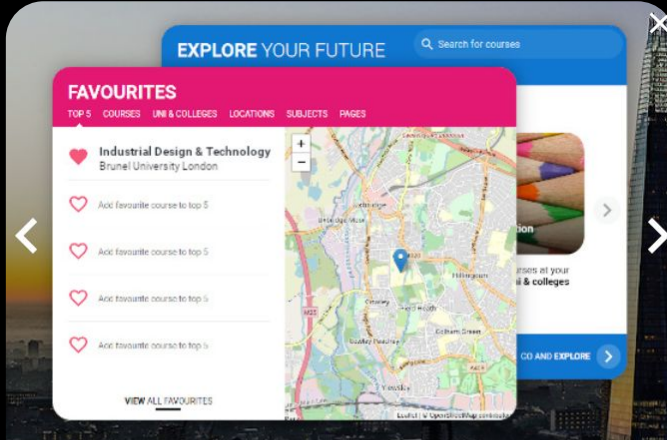
Gap year



Getting a job

Find out more: ucas.com

Tools to help



EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE Search for courses

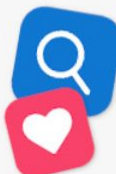
FAVOURITES
TOP 5 COURSES UNI & COLLEGES LOCATIONS SUBJECTS PAGES

Industrial Design & Technology
Brunel University London

Add favourite course to top 5

View all favourites

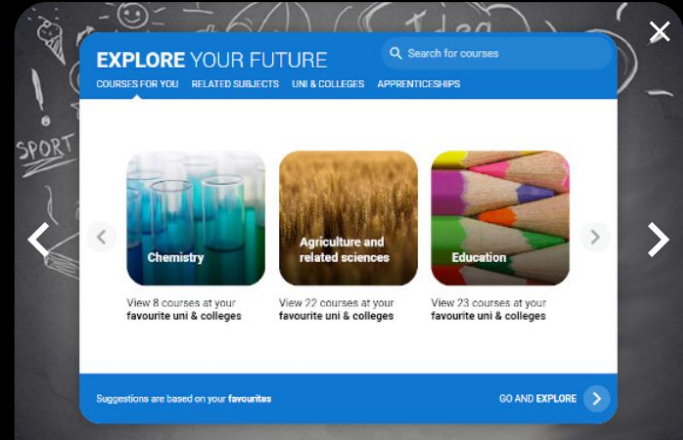
GO AND EXPLORE



Search and favourite courses

Search for courses, view your top five choices, and manage and edit your favourites.

[Go to my Hub](#)



EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE Search for courses

COURSES FOR YOU RELATED SUBJECTS UNI & COLLEGES APPRENTICESHIPS


Chemistry
View 8 courses at your favourite uni & colleges

Agriculture and related sciences
View 22 courses at your favourite uni & colleges

Education
View 23 courses at your favourite uni & colleges

Suggestions are based on your favourites

GO AND EXPLORE



Explore and favourite options

Explore and favourite subjects, locations, uni and colleges, and courses.

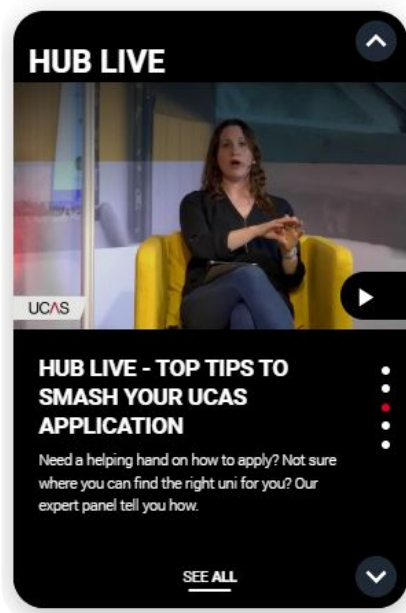
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Tools to help

UCAS Hub lives

Join our live sessions hosted by expert panels.

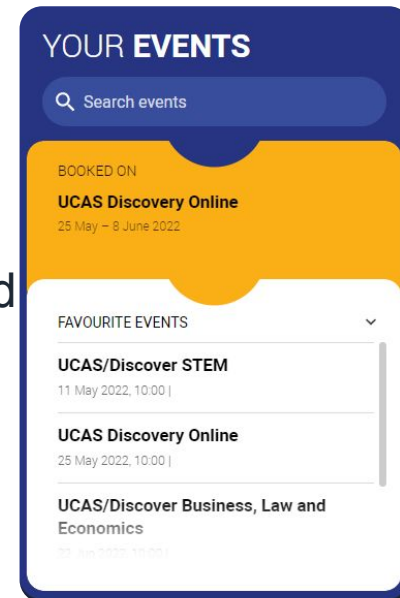
Ask questions to help you make an informed decision.



UCAS Discovery

Talk to subject and admissions experts, discover apprenticeships, find advice on applying, and more!

Discover a world of opportunities.

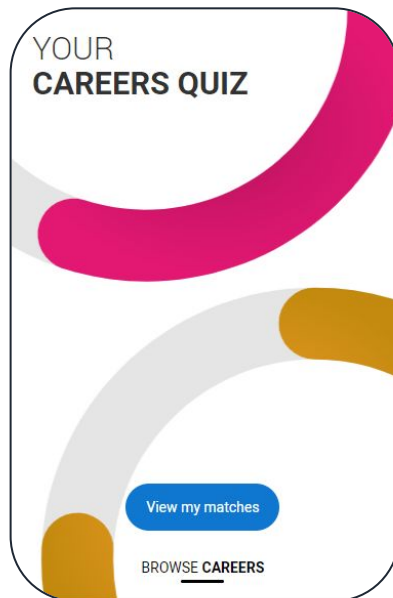


Tools to help

UCAS Quiz

Find job and career ideas matched to your personality.

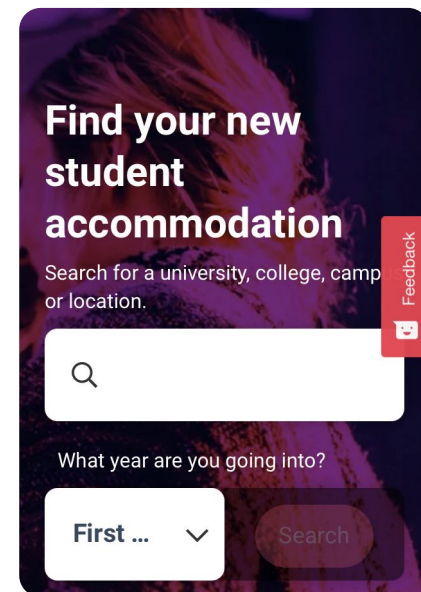
Plus a list of courses previous students studied in order to get there.



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.



Making the Most of... Open Days

Jeff Chilton

Student Recruitment Officer: Central England

Before You
Get There

Must Do
at the Event

Insider Questions
To Ask

Six Key Areas

Exploring the
Location

Virtual
Experiences

After You
Leave

Before You
Get There

Six Key Areas

After You
Leave

Planning and Prep

Before (and after)

Sign Up/ Look at the Programme

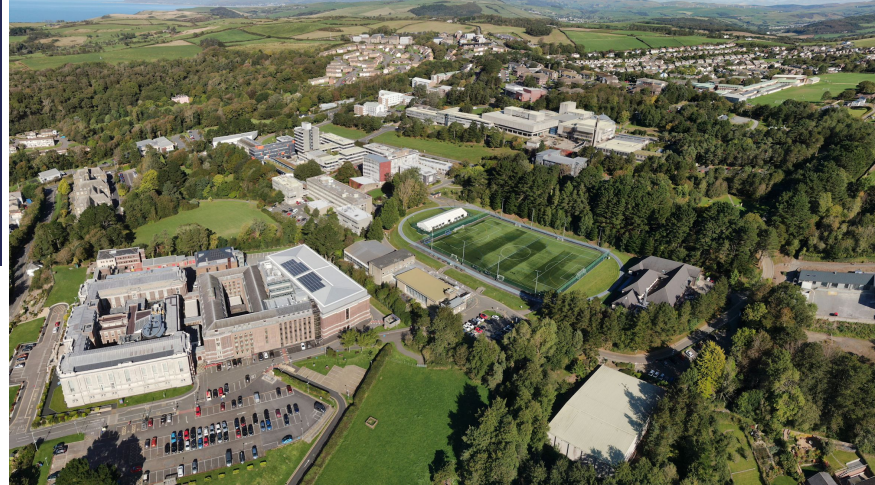
Plan Your Day and Journey

Take somebody and pen/ paper

Think of Questions

Consider: Personal Statement

Reflect, Compare, Contrast



Must Do
at the Event

Six Key Areas

The Point of Engagement With...

Non-Academic Areas

Don't
worry...

Academic Areas

...we are
all super
friendly

Student Ambassadors

Accommodation
Student Support
Careers
Finance and Funding
Students' Union
Admissions

Talk and Facilities Tour
Course Content
Teaching and Assessment
Industry and Employment
Accreditation
The Perfect Applicant!

Campus Tours
Own Journey
Own Experiences
Support Available
Future Aspirations
Their Advice/ Top Tips

Six Key Areas

Insider Questions
to Ask

Questions

What are the top things you are looking for in an applicant?

What jobs/ professions are open to me after graduation?

What scholarships/ bursaries can I apply for?

How will I study and be assessed?

What will I actually be studying?!

What is student life like at the uni?

What different accommodation options are there?

What is the added value?
(ie staff, industry, global opps)

Exploring the
Location

Six Key Areas

Location

An aerial photograph showing a coastal town and university campus. The town is built on a peninsula, with a large beach and a promenade. The university campus is located inland, surrounded by green fields and trees. The sea is visible on the right side of the image.

**Course
AND
Recreation**

**Rural
vs
City
vs
Campus***

**15 minute walk (0.7 miles)
from the town centre
to our University**

Six Key Areas

Virtual
Experiences

UCAS Tariff Points and A levels/BTEC/CTEC

UCAS provide a live tariff points calculator:

<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/tariff-calculator>

| A Level | UCAS points | BTEC/CTEC | UCAS points |
|---------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| A* | 56 | D* | 56 |
| A | 48 | D | 48 |
| B | 40 | | |
| C | 32 | M | 32 |
| D | 24 | | |
| E | 16 | P | 16 |

Remember you can also collect tariff points for the following:

- EPQ
- Music/Performing Arts Exams
- Cadets
- Extra AS Qualification
- CoPE course
- Finance course

* Note BTEC/CTEC is L3 Extended Certificate

Higher Education colleges

- Many UK colleges offer degree level courses.
 - Both full time and part time degrees
- UK colleges are known for their more practical, vocational courses and foundation degrees which run in partnership with a university
 - i.e. Dudley college linked with Worcester university
- This is another avenue for students to progress into a full degree

What are the benefits?

- lower tuition fees
- smaller class sizes
- location – you can choose to stay close to home (reducing any living expenses)
- flexible study options, including part-time
- progression programmes through to full degree courses
- more class contact hours and individual study support

How to apply?

Full time Courses

- Apply through UCAS

Part time courses

- Apply through the College/institution

Completing the UCAS application



Student registers for a UCAS Hub account to carry out research and start 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
- 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)

The screenshot displays the UCAS application profile interface, which is organized into a grid of sections. The sections are as follows:

- Personal details >**
Name, age, title, and gender
Status: Section complete (indicated by a green bar and a checkmark icon)
- Contact & residency details >**
Address, email, telephone, and where you live
Status: Start this section (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)
- Nationality details >**
Country and nationality details
Status: Start this section (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)
- Supporting information >**
Status: Section in progress (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)
- English language skills >**
Is English your first language?
Status: Start this section (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)
- Finance & funding >**
Tell us how you'll fund your study
Status: Section in progress (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)
- Diversity & inclusion >**
Only shared with a provider once you have a place or your application is archived
Status: Start this section (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)
- More about you >**
Tell us about any circumstances that you might need support for during your studies
Status: Start this section (indicated by a blue bar and a circular arrow icon)

Application

Experiences:

- Education
 - Employment
 - Extra activities*
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- Personal statement
 - Reference**
 - Add choices – up to five

* (for students with a UK home address)

** (not visible for students linked to their school/college)

The screenshot displays the UCAS application interface on a yellow background. A dark blue rounded rectangle contains the application sections. Under the 'Experience' heading, there are three white boxes: 'Education >' with a blue progress bar and 'Section in progress' label, 'Employment >' with a green progress bar and 'Section complete' label, and 'Extra activities >' with a blue progress bar and 'Start this section' label. Below these is the 'Personal Statement' section, which has a white box with the heading 'Personal statement >' and the text 'Why do you want to study this subject?'. At the bottom of this box is a blue 'Start this section' label.

The personal statement



The only section students have full control over



Students only chance to market themselves individually



The same for all choices



A maximum of 4,000 characters, or 47 lines



A minimum of 1,000 characters



There isn't a spelling or grammar check

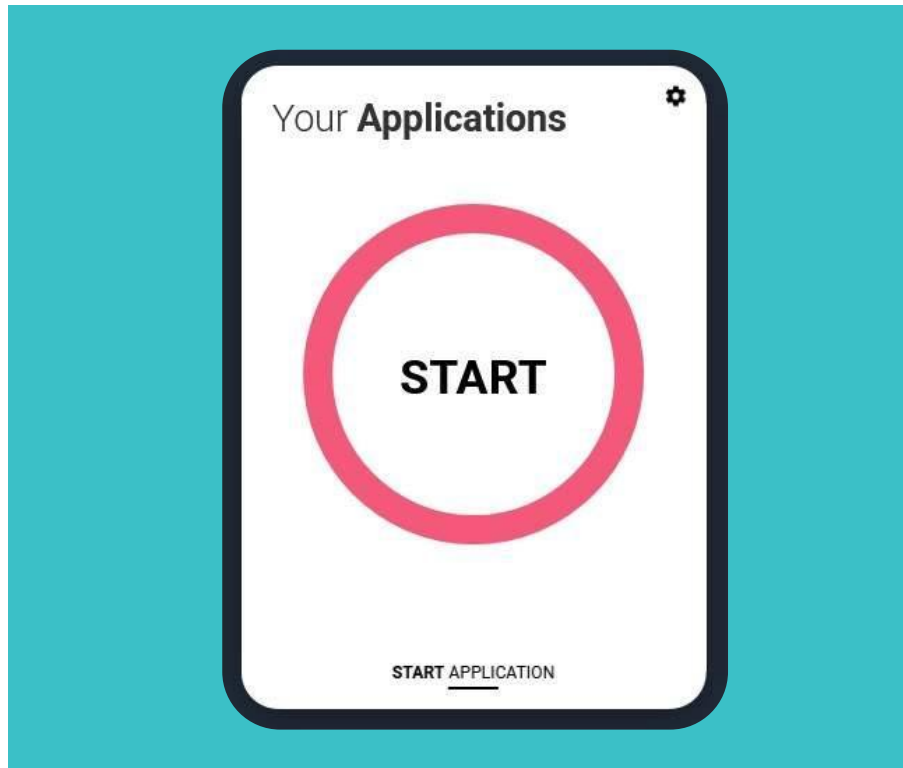


No formatting is allowed

UCAS' similarity detection service:
every personal statement is run through software to check for plagiarism.

Key facts

- To start an application you need a **UCAS Hub account**.
- Register for UCAS Hub at any time.
- From **14th May 2024** you'll be able to **'Start'** your application in your UCAS Hub.
- You have up to **five choices**, unless applying to study medicine, veterinary, medicine/science, dentistry – then it's **four choices**.
- You **can't** apply to **BOTH** Oxford and Cambridge.
- Applying **costs** £28.50
- Apply by the **equal consideration date**.
- Universities and colleges **can't see** your other choices when you apply.



Search tool display
2025 entry courses

30th April



Students can submit
their applications

3rd September



18:00 Deadline for all
other undergraduate
courses

29th January



14th May



Application Open for 2025
Entry

15th October



18:00 Early Entry Deadline for
Oxford and Cambridge, Medicine,
Dentistry and Veterinary

Internal Deadlines - Current year 12 students

Applications must be completed in full and checked form staff by not later than:

- September 13th 2024 Early entry
- October 25th 2024 All Applicants

Decisions

Universities and colleges will review the:



personal statement



qualifications



reference

They may also ask for:



admissions test

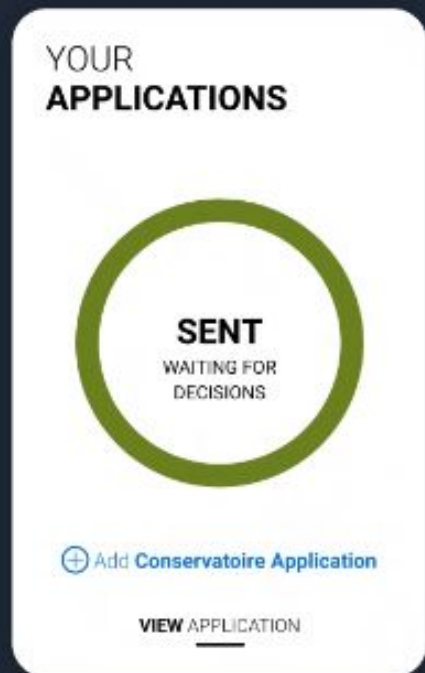


interview



portfolio/audition

Tracking applications



Head to UCAS Hub to:

- follow its progress 24/7
- see choices and personal information
- view offers
- reply to offers online

One of three decisions will be made:

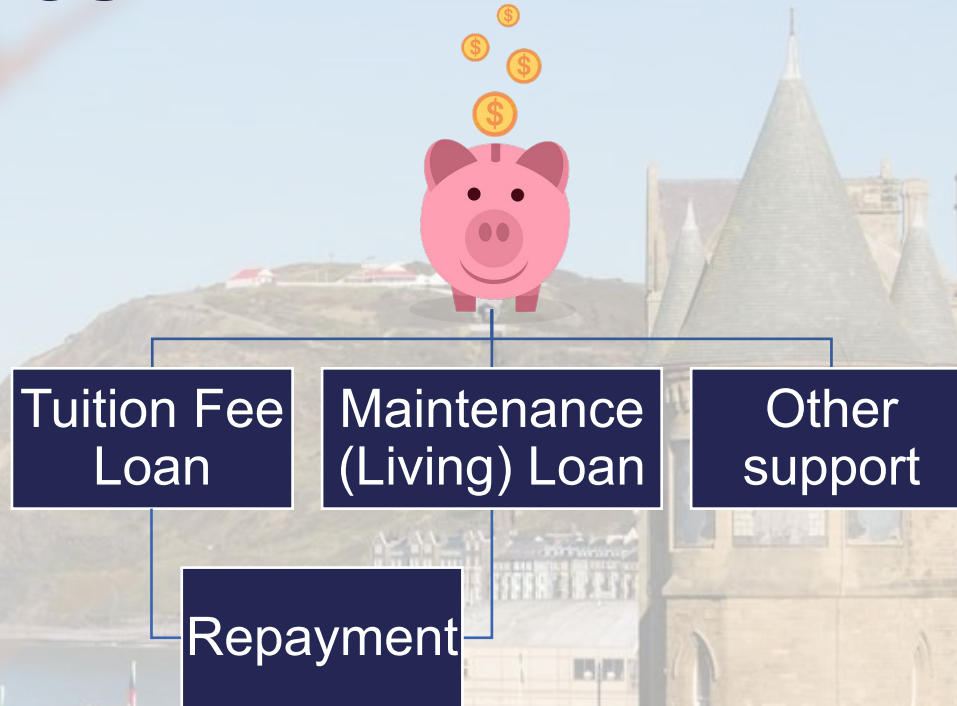
- unconditional offer
- conditional offer
- unsuccessful

Student Finance and Budgeting

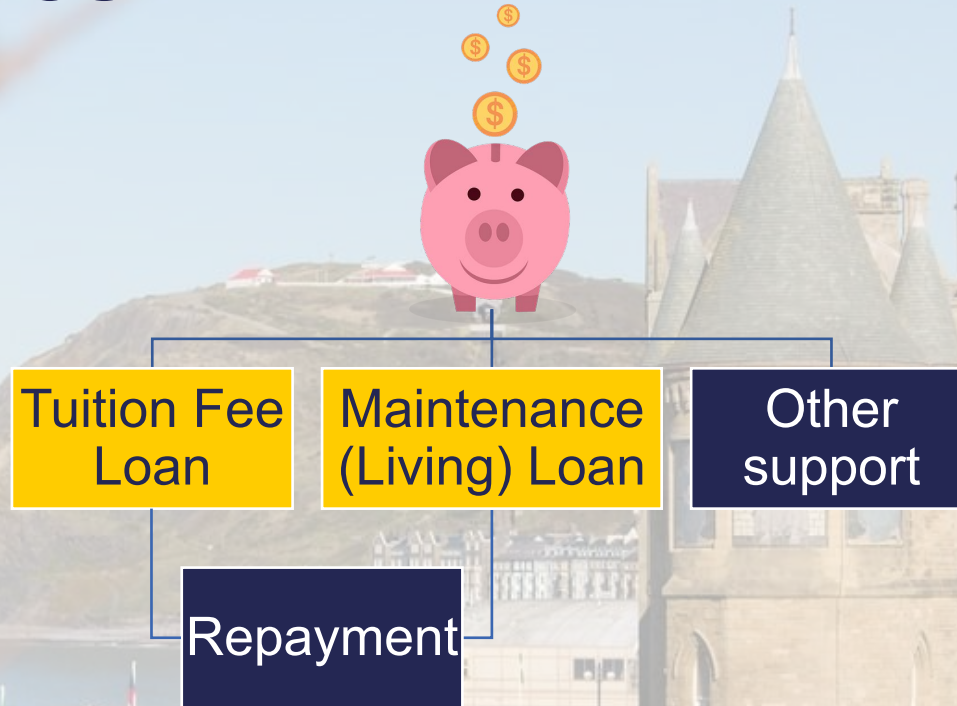
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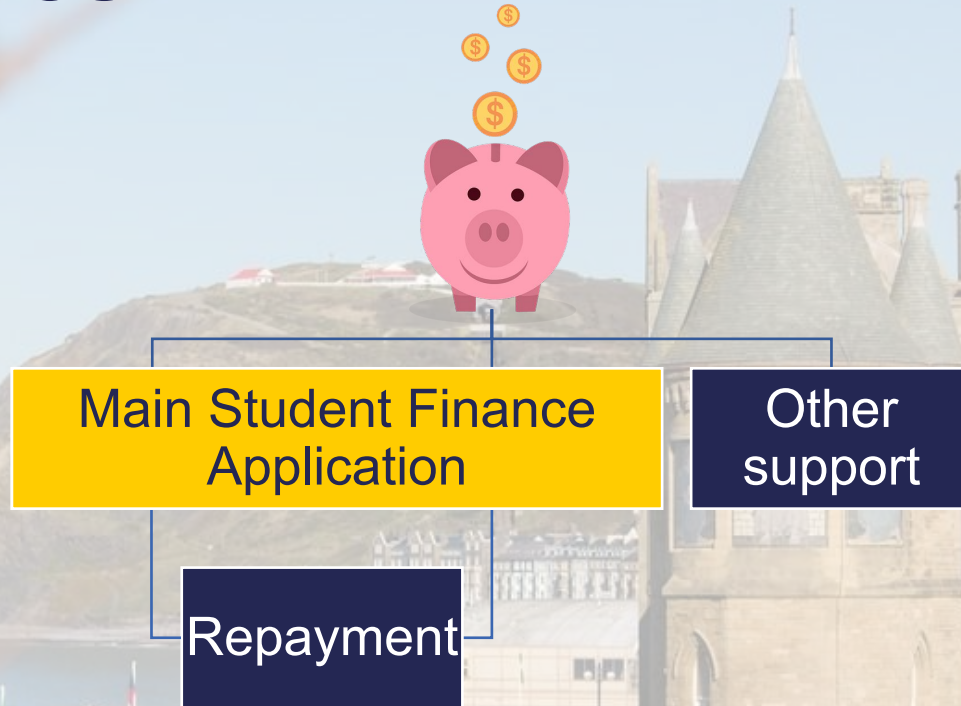
The Basics



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Logistics: When To Apply



Opens some point February/ March
Do not need a confirmed place to apply
Apply with your preferred choice and
change later if needed
Do not rush the application
Relies on a number of people
'Deadline' usually May

Logistics: Where To Apply

www.gov.uk/student-finance

Overview

You may be able to borrow money to help pay for university or college tuition fees and to help with living costs.

You might get [extra money](#) on top of this, for example if you're on a low income, are disabled or have children.

If you're a continuing student or you've already created an account, [log in to your account](#).

Before you apply

You start repaying once you earn over a certain amount. The size of your monthly repayments will depend on how much you earn, not what you owe.

You'll be charged interest on the loan from the day you take it out. The terms and conditions can change.

[Student loans: a guide to terms and conditions 2021 to 2022](#)

[Student loans: a guide to terms and conditions 2022 to 2023](#)

The rules are different if your course started [before September 2012](#).

Read the [student finance privacy notice](#) to find out how the information you provide will be used.

You can [give someone permission to act on your behalf](#) (for example using Power of Attorney) if you want them to apply for you.

How to apply

Find out [how to apply](#) for student finance.

If you're under 25 and have no contact with your parents, you might be able to apply as an '[estranged student](#)'.

If you spent at least 13 weeks in the care of your local authority before you turned 16, you might be able to apply as a [care leaver](#).

If you're not from England

There's a different process if you're:

Part of

[Get undergraduate student finance: step by step](#)

✓ Show all steps

1 Check if you're eligible

✓ Show

2 Find out how much loan you could get

✓ Show

and 3 Check if you can get extra help

✓ Show

3 Prepare your application

✓ Show

4 Apply

✓ Show

5 Update your details if your circumstances change

✓ Show

6 Make sure you can be paid

✓ Show

7 Check what to do while you're studying

✓ Show

8 Check what to do when you stop studying

✓ Show

9 Repay your loan

✓ Show

Logistics: Queries and Tracking

W: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/student-finance-england-how-to-guide>

T: 0300 100 0607

Checking the status of your application in real time:
Apply to Pay

Your status



Application submitted **Processing application** Confirm all details Receive payments Prepare for next year

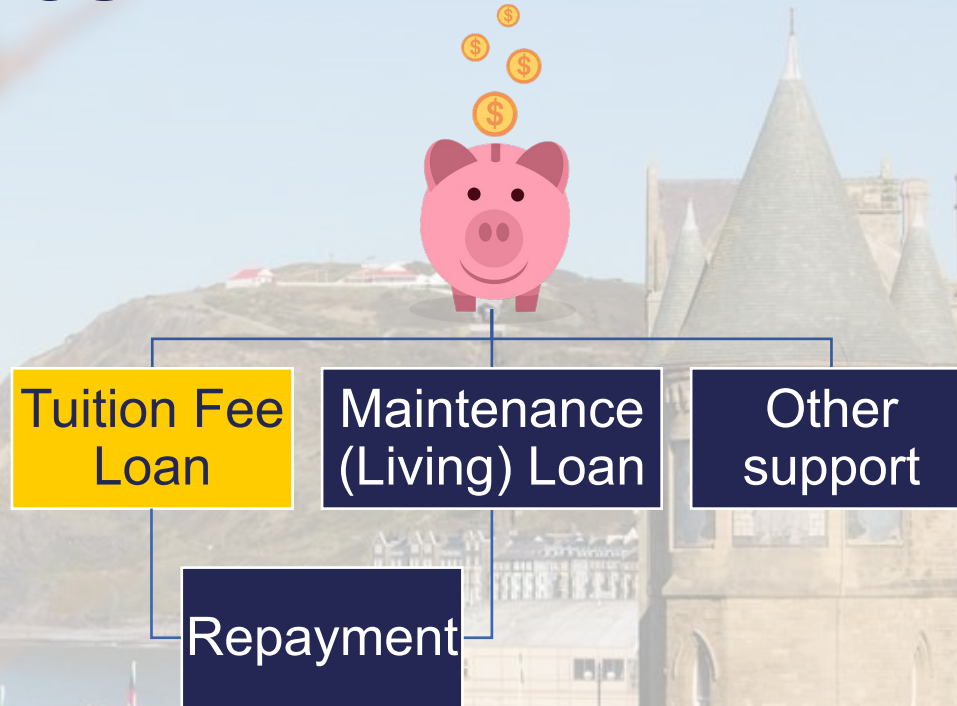
We're processing your application. We'll keep you up to date by email and here in your account.

What happens next

1. We're checking your application - we'll email you if we need anything else from you.
2. We'll email you updates about the progress of your application.
3. We'll assess your application and tell you the outcome.

Next expected update: **05 May 2021 - 10 May 2021**

The Basics



Tuition Fee Loan



Tuition Fees
up to £9,250
per academic year



NO
UPFRONT
COSTS



Tuition Fee Loan to
cover. Action
required each year



Non-means tested
(not based on
household income)

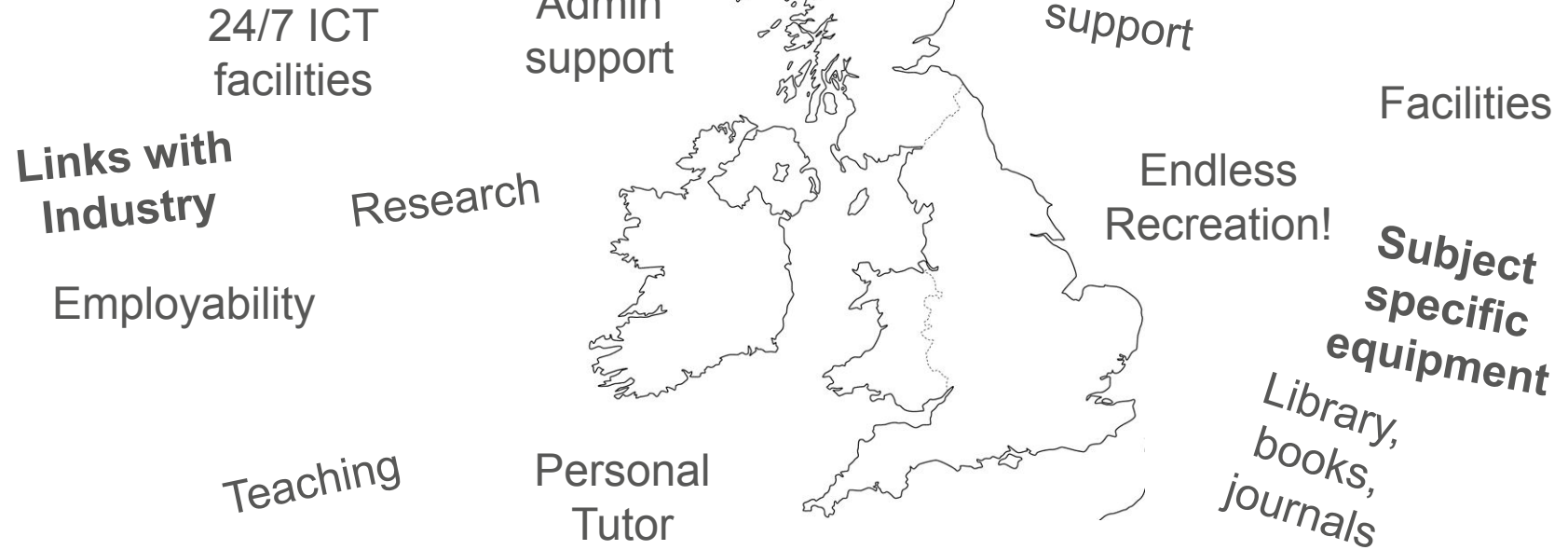


Paid directly
to the
university



Frozen up to
and including
2024/25

An Investment



Value for Money



Universities UK ✓

@UniversitiesUK

Following



What do students want from their university?
Key findings from UUK report: bit.ly/2wfg3yV

What makes courses good value for money?

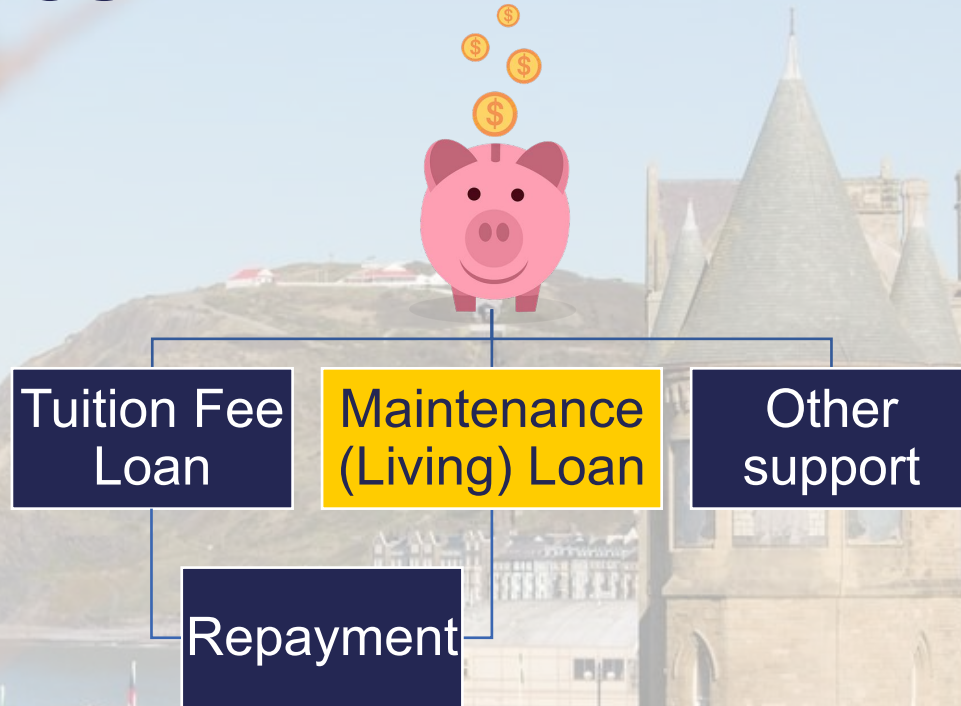
1. Good facilities for studying
2. Future career prospects
3. High-quality lecturers and tutors
4. High-quality course content
5. Academically challenging



Source: ComRes (2017)






The Basics



Maintenance (Living) Loan

Where you live

| | | |
|---|--|----------------|
|  | Parental Home Rate: Live at home while you study | £8,610 |
|  | Elsewhere Rate: Live and study away from home outside London | £10,227 |
|  | London Rate: Live and study away from home in London | £13,348 |

Household Income

*NB: lower amounts for Final Year students

Maintenance (Living) Loan

| Household Income | Home | Elsewhere | London |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| ≤£25,000 | £8,610 | £10,227 | £13,348 |
| £30,000 | £7,887 | £9,497 | £12,606 |
| £35,000 | £7,163 | £8,766 | £11,863 |
| £40,000 | £6,440 | £8,035 | £11,120 |
| £45,000 | £5,716 | £7,304 | £10,377 |
| £50,000 | £4,993 | £6,573 | £9,634 |
| £55,000 | £4,269 | £5,842 | £8,891 |
| £60,000 | £3,790 | £5,111 | £8,148 |
| | £3,790 | £4,767 | £6,647 |

It's Your Money!

Budgeting

Maximise and minimise

Restrict yourself!

Saving money everywhere!

Pay for what and when?

It's Your Money!

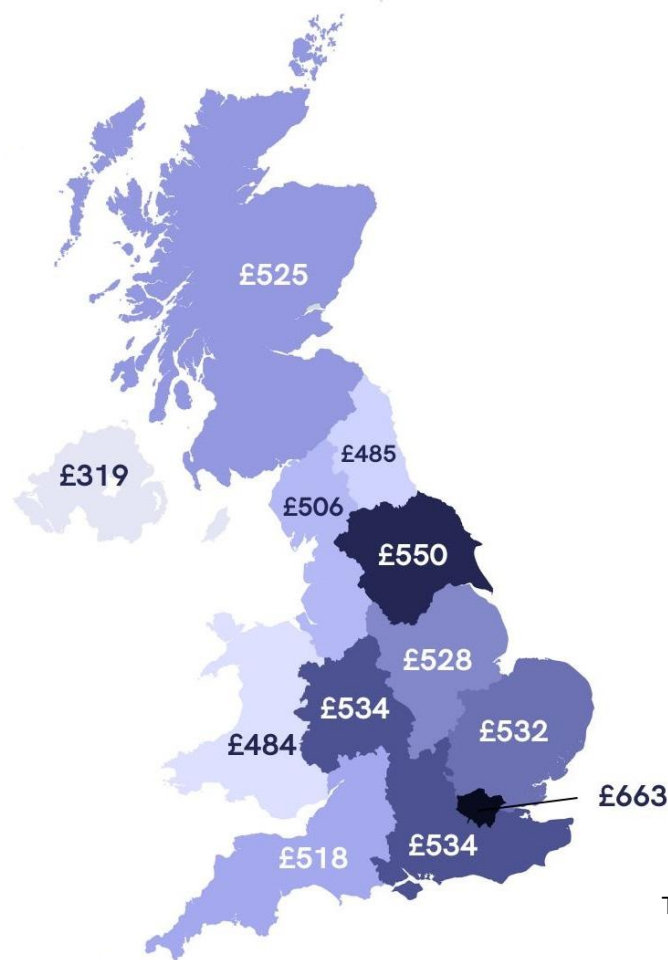
Income

Student Loan
Bursary/ Scholarship
Sponsorship
Part Time Job
Savings
Parents/ Supporters

Outgoings

Accommodation/ Travel
Food/ Essentials/ Toiletries
Tech
Books/ Equipment/ Field Trips
Social Life
Emergencies

It's Your Money!



...for Student
Accommodation
(Student Crowd 2024)

It's Your Money!

Budgeting

Maximise and minimise

Restrict yourself!

Saving money everywhere!

Pay for what and when?

A bank account for you

Shop around

Restrict yourself!

Overdrafts need to be repaid

Other support

Part Time Work

What do the figures say?!

University support

Linked to your course

Be careful

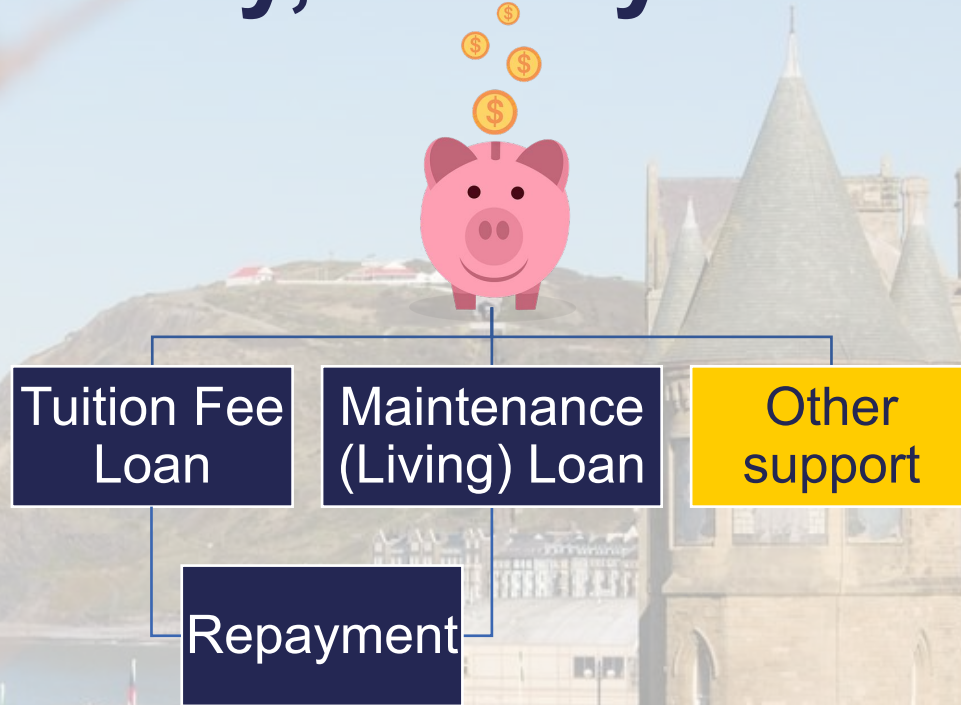
Opportunities at Uni: Work

Sandwich/
Placement
Courses

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Student Ambassador | £ |
| Retail/ Hospitality | P |
| Ikea Flat Pack Assembly | A |
| Residence Assistant* | I |
| Web Design | D |
| Film/ TV Extra | £ |

| | |
|---|------------------------|
| U | Mentoring |
| N | Student Representative |
| P | Community Work |
| A | RAG/ Fundraising |
| I | Matchday Media Officer |
| D | Mascot Actor |

Money, money, money



It's Your Money!

Specialist
equipment

Non-medical
helpers

BSL Interpreter
Note taker

Travel

Other support

Additional copies
for proof-reading

Other Support Available

DSA: non-repayable
Targeted Gvt support (ie NHS)

Bursaries and scholarships

Aber Scholarships and Bursaries



Entrance
Examinations and
Merit Awards

Up to £1000 a year +
Unconditional Offer



Academic
Excellence
Scholarship

£2000 in Year 1



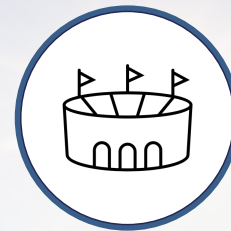
Care Leavers,
Young Carers and
Estranged Students

£1500 a year +
benefits



Music
Scholarships
(any course)

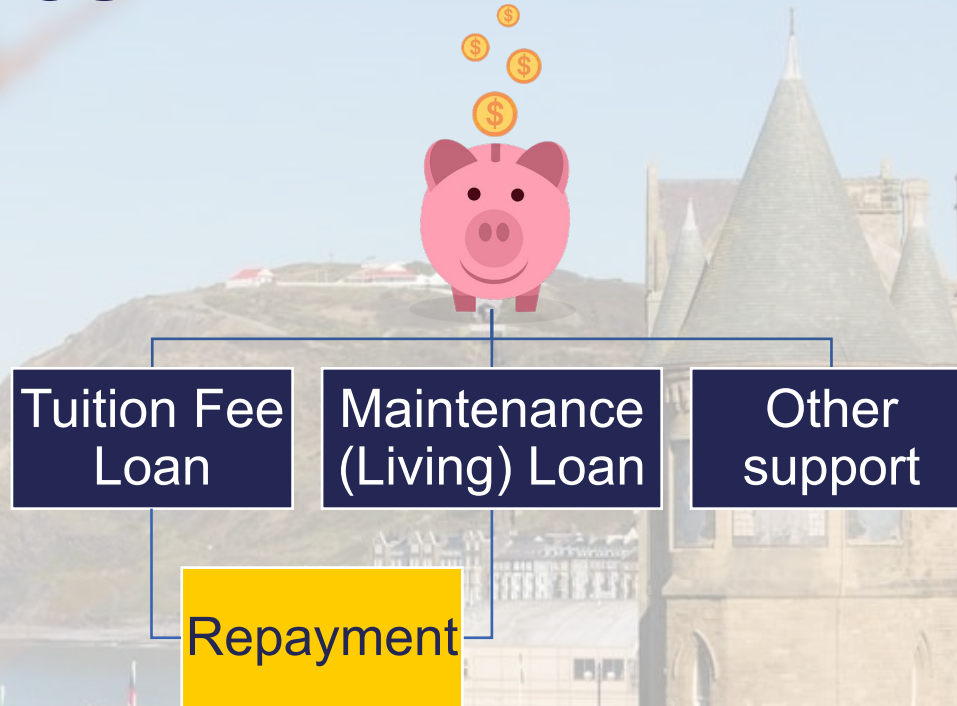
£650 a year



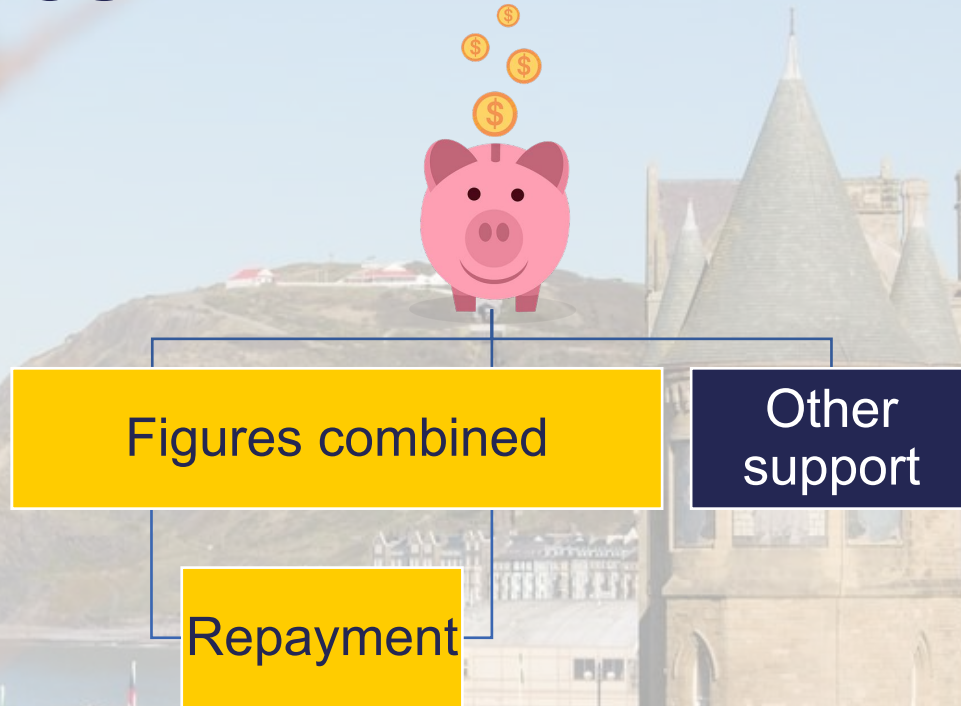
Sports
Scholarships
(any course)

£1000 a year +
benefits

The Basics



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Repayment

Repayment level
dependant on
income, not loan
amount

Start repaying
when earning >
£25,000

Repay 9% of
salary over
£25,000

Repayment



| Income each year before tax | 9% will be deducted from | Approximate monthly repayment |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| £20,000 | £0 | £0 |
| £30,000 | £5,000 | £37 |
| £40,000 | £15,000 | £112 |
| £50,000 | £25,000 | £187 |
| £60,000 | £35,000 | £262 |

- Repayment based on salary above £25,000, therefore
- $£40,000 - £25,000 = £15,000$, so
- Annual repayment figure is 9% of £15,000
- £1,350 per annum or £112 per month

Example Repayments: Payslip (£31k)

| Payment Method: BACS | | Tax Code: 1257L NI Number: AA111111B | |
|----------------------|----------|---|--|
| <u>Payments</u> | | <u>Deductions</u> | |
| Basic Salary | £2583.33 | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Total Payments | £2583.33 | Total Deductions | |
| NET PAYMENT | | | |

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| <u>Payments</u> | | <u>Deductions</u> | |
| Basic Salary | | Tax Paid | £307.02 |
| | | NI | £203.50 |
| | | Pension | £155.00 |
| | | Student Loan | £45.00 |
| | | | |
| Total Payments | | Total Deductions | £710.52 |
| NET PAYMENT | | | |

9% of difference between £31,000 and £25,000:

£540 per annum, £45 per month



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| NET PAYMENT | | | £1872.81 |

Repayment

Repayment level
dependant on
income, not loan
amount

'Interest' (RPI)
accumulates from
when a payment is
made to you/ uni

Start repaying
when earning >
£25,000

Taken at source,
like Income Tax
and NI

Outstanding:
written off after
40 years where
not repaid

What happens if
salary \leq £25,000?

Repay 9% of
salary over
£25,000

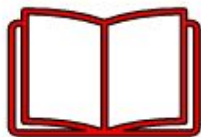
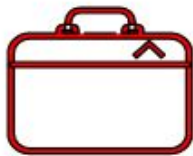
Repayments due
to start April after
graduation

Conservatoire

- Conservatoires are small, specialist higher education institutions that offer education and training in the performing arts to talented students from all over the world in the disciplines of music, acting, dance and circus arts, as well as theatre and film production.
- 11 in the UK
- Application processes differ across the different conservatoires, so always make sure to check with the institution directly.
- Most applications will be made through UCAS Conservatoires, some through UCAS main scheme, and some will be made directly to the institution. - Deadlines can be earlier than for universities so make sure to check with the institution.
- You can apply for a conservatoire and a traditional university
- Collect Booklet! <https://www.ucas.com/file/262316/download?token=VlIOAdTQ>



What are apprenticeships?



WORK + LEARN = APPRENTICESHIPS

ACCOUNTING | ADVERTISING & MARKETING
AGRICULTURE | ANIMAL CARE | AVIATION
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION | CATERING
CREATIVE & DIGITAL | DENTAL NURSING
CONSTRUCTION | CUSTOMER SERVICE
CYBER SECURITY | EVENTS MANAGEMENT
FLORISTRY | HIGH PERFORMANCE ENGINEERING
HAIRDRESSING | HEALTH CARE | HOSPITALITY
HORTICULTURE | JOURNALISM | JEWELLER
LEGAL SERVICES | GAMES TECHNICIAN
POLICE OFFICER | PROJECT MANAGEMENT
SURVEYING | SOLICITOR | TEACHING
VETERINARY NURSING

Apprenticeships

- A very strong and credible option particularly for STEM subjects, business, IT etc...
- Currently no set application process - Unifrog good starting point
- Government website <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>
- Applications open and close at various times during the year
- Apply for University & Apprenticeships
- You will need to do more research, keep a close eye out for opportunities and be ready to respond quickly.
- Have a CV prepared and ready. When the perfect opportunity presents itself students need to be ready to go

Apprenticeships



LEVELS OF APPRENTICESHIP

TRAINEESHIPS

**INTERMEDIATE
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 2

12 – 18 MONTHS

**ADVANCED
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 3

12 – 36 MONTHS

**HIGHER/DEGREE
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVELS 4, 5, 6 & 7

12 – 48 MONTHS

SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE AND COMPETENCIES

Degree Apprenticeships - A combination of Uni and apprenticeships

- Degree apprenticeships are a new type of programme offered by some universities. Students can achieve a full bachelor's or master's degree as part of their apprenticeship.
- These programmes are being developed by employers, universities, and professional bodies working in partnership.
- Apply either through UCAS or direct to company - details in the advert.
- 3-6 years to complete, depending on the course level.
- Search in UCAS:
<https://careerfinder.ucas.com/searchjobs/?RoleType=38%2c513040&countrycode=GB>

UCAS

Careerfinder home Find a job Careers advice

Found 397 jobs

Browse

Search

Keywords

Keyword

Location

Location

Within 5 miles

☐ Nationwide

☐ Homeworking

► Specialism

► Sector

▼ Role Type

2 selected

☒ Apprenticeship

Get new jobs for this search by email

Create alert

TOP JOB

Procurement Apprentice

- Nottingham, Nottinghamshire
- £22,000
- Experian

Company Description No one makes sense of data like Experian. We are on a mission to deliver the full power of data, analytics and...

View details

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TOP JOB



Year 12 - Higher Education Fortnight

8th July -19th July

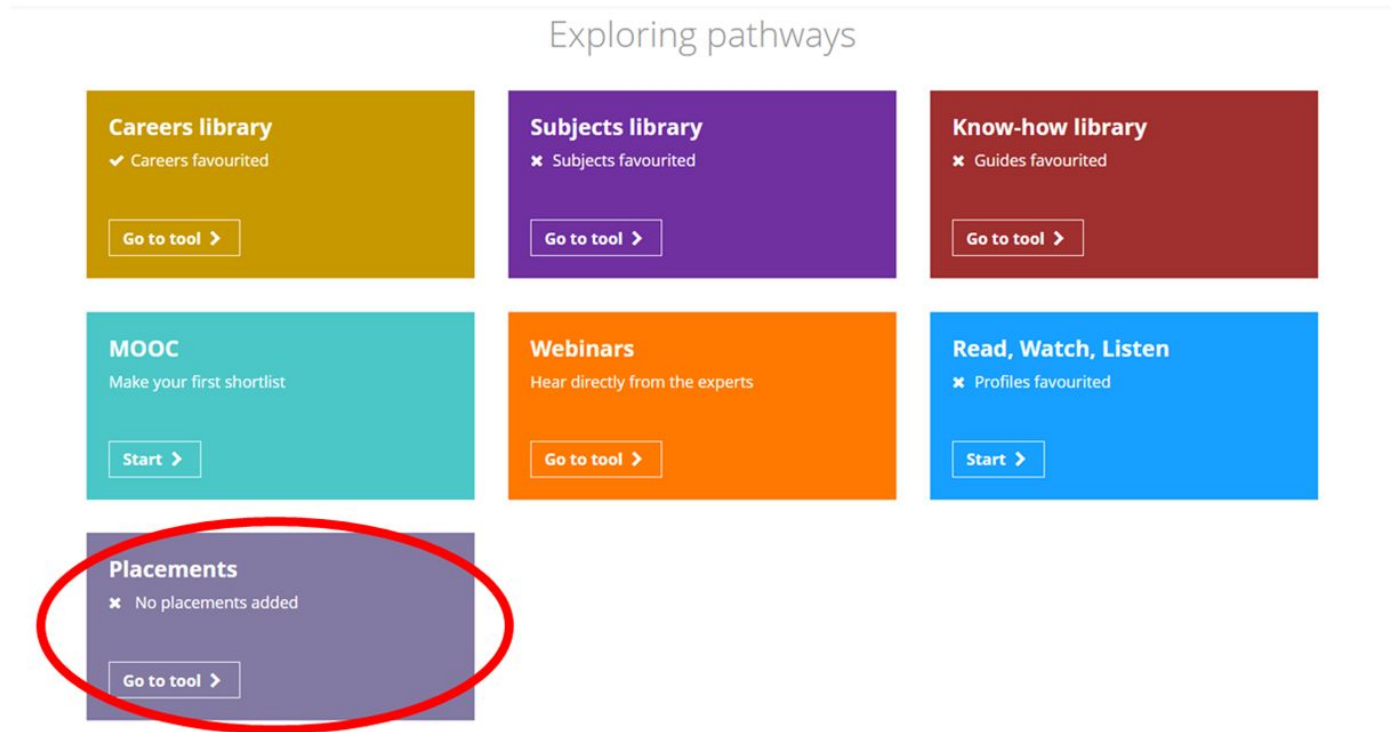




E X P E R I E N C E

8th July - 12th July

We will be using the Unifrog Placements Tool to log all work experience placements



<https://cdn.unifrog.org/video/hfxcu5f6a6/480.mp4>

Virtual Work Experience



Work Experience

1. Students arrange their own work experience to meet their own needs
2. Vital for nursing, medicine, caring professions
3. Students need to be proactive in searching for opportunities and approaching companies

Checks and verification

1. Students must enter the correct email addresses and contacts into the Unifrog Placement Tool
2. Each Employers placement details are checked for safeguarding purposes by the Placement Tool.

During and after

1. Academy Staff complete during placement check-in
2. Employers complete Employer Review Form
3. Student complete Student Reflection Form
4. Students refer to the experience and what they have learnt in their personal statement.

Higher Education Fortnight - 15th July -19th July

| Date | Period 1/2 | Period 3/4 | Period 5/6 |
|-----------|--|--|--|
| Monday | Introduction Guest speakers from Aberystwyth delivering introduction to HE/ Researching HE/ Choosing a Course | Email Etiquette Unifrog Work experience write up and letters | Time in computer rooms for Work experience write up, Thank you letters for work experience, unifrog |
| Tuesday | Guest speaker about apprenticeships or Wolves university leading talks on Benefits of going to university, budgeting and student finance | HSBC guest speaker regarding finance. How to start your UCAS Application | Computer time for tasks, looking for courses and open days and starting your application basic details |
| Wednesday | Wolverhampton university guest speaker on personal statements and how to prepare for university interviews | Guest speaker from Derby University and Speaker on student support | Wolves university to support writing of first draft of personal statements |
| Thursday | Time to complete a full checklist, submit the first draft of a personal statement, meet with a personal tutor about career intentions. Once the check list has been fully completed and signed off by your form tutor and HOY then you will be allowed to leave for the summer holidays. | | |

Higher Education Fortnight - Checklist

| Check list | Tick when complete | Form Tutor Signed to check it has been completed |
|--|--------------------|--|
| Complete Write up from your work experience in Unifrog | | |
| Complete and send Thank you letter/Email to your work experience placement | | |
| Complete all basic Details in your UCAS application and ensure all details are correct | | |
| A Level Subjects (with results pending) completed in UCAS. Take care with BTEC's. | | |
| <u>GSCE</u> grades and other results completed in UCAS. (including those at other schools) | | |
| Completed Course research and Identified what courses you would like to study | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Chosen 3-5 university which deliver the course you would like to study | | |
| Complete research of when the university open days are for your chosen course and universities | | |
| First Draft of Personal Statement is complete in Unifrog and has been reviewed by Form Tutor | | |
| Had a 1:1 meeting with Form Tutor | | |

Careers Guidance

Gaelle Holford - Independent Careers Adviser



What can students be doing?

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



Parent's to do list...

- Get your unifrog log in to keep track of what is going on.
- Sign up for the UCAS parents newsletter: [Sign up for our parent newsletter | | UCAS](#)
- Designated parents advice pages on UCAS [UCAS Undergraduate: advice for parents and guardians](#)
- Son/Daughter interested in apprenticeships look here: [Apprenticeship Advice for Parents](#)
- Apprenticeship parent packs on amazing apprenticeships and available on our school website
- Go through the pathways document with your son/daughter
- Formulate a study plan with your son/daughter.
- Encourage son/daughter to RESEARCH
- Plan open days and events together
- Look at work experience opportunities.

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Questions?