

# Applying to UK based universities

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Studying in the UK!

## Why study in the UK?

- Degrees from UK higher education providers are respected around the world
  - British universities feature in the world university league tables – nearly a fifth of the world's top 50 universities are in the UK
- UK degree courses tend to be very specialised, allowing you to focus on your chosen subject from day one
- Opportunity to work during and after your degree
- Campus and city based destinations
- Unique cultures and countries to live in

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## What can you study?

- Bachelor degrees usually last three years if studied full-time
  - 4 years in Scotland
- You can focus on a single subject, combine two subjects in a single course (joint honours courses), or choose several subjects (combined honours)
- Study a professional degree
  - Medicine (5+ years)
  - Law (3+ years)
  - Pharmacy (4+ years)
  - Dentistry (5+ years)
- Most courses have core modules, which everyone studies, and optional modules, modules to choose from and allow you to study a course that suits you
- Some bachelor degrees offer a sandwich year, involving an additional placement or year in industry
- Some degrees can lead straight into your masters. I.e. Meng

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**HOW TO APPLY**

# UCAS AT A GLANCE

University and Colleges  
Admissions Service

Track your application 24/7

5 choices

Achieved or pending grades

Application fee

The UCAS logo is displayed in a white rectangular box. The letters 'UCAS' are in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'A' is a distinctive red triangle pointing upwards, while the other letters are black. The background of the slide is a high-angle photograph of a city street with buildings and a person on a balcony.

# ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

- 1) Personal information
- 2) Contact & residency details
- 3) Work information
- 4) Education information & qualifications
- 5) Five degree choices
- 6) Personal statement
- 7) Reference & predicted grades



# KEY DATES

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## 2025



**May**  
Apply 2026  
goes live



**September**  
Able to send  
applications



**Mid- October**  
Medicine/  
Dentistry deadline



**Nov & Dec**  
Universities start  
to send offers

## 2026



**14 January**  
Deadline for  
all other courses



**February  
to May**  
Universities  
continue to send  
offers



**May**  
University  
deadline to make  
decision



**June**  
Deadline for firm &  
insurance choices

# WHAT ARE UNIVERSITIES LOOKING FOR?

- Meet/Exceed Entry requirements
- Proven academic record
- Teacher reference and work reference
- Aptitude Tests and Interviews **where applicable**
- Work experience or job shadows
- Personal Statement



# Entry Requirements

## English Law & French Law LLB and Maîtrise en droit (Master 1)

### Subject requirements

**Required subjects:** A-level (or equivalent) grade A in French.

**Preferred subjects:** No preferred subjects.

### A-Levels

**Required grades:** A\*AA

Please note that A-level General Studies, Critical Thinking, Thinking Skills and Global Perspectives are not accepted by King's as one of your A levels.

Must include grade A in French.

Alternatively, for applicants who have not studied French at the required academic level, we can consider the Diplome d'etudes en language francais (DELF) alongside 3 A-levels. The minimum level required is B2.

**Required grades:** Award of the Baccalauréat Français International with 15 overall

**Required subject:** For graduates of the 2021 reformed French Baccalaureat, we will accept Speciality subjects studied in Year 12 (première) and Year 13 (terminale) to meet any compulsory subject requirements. Speciality subjects only taken in Year 12 will not be considered. Where our online prospectus asks for a specific subject grade at A-level, we would require the following: A\* - Achieve 16 in the required subject; A - Achieve 14 in the required subject; B - Achieve 13 in the required subject. Where a programme has a Further Mathematics subject requirement, this can be met through Expert Mathematics as a Speciality subject in Year 13 (Terminale). Additional Mathematics - "mathématiques complémentaires" - cannot be used to meet any Mathematics or Further Mathematics subject requirement.





**One personal statement  
Up to five choices**

# Personal statement – in a nutshell



# UCAS personal statement changes from 2025

- 3 prompt questions
- **Questions focus on:**
- **Motivation for Course** – Why do you want to study these courses?
- **Preparedness for Course** – How has your learning so far helped you to be ready to succeed on these courses?
- **Preparation through other experiences** – What else have you done to help you prepare, and why are these experiences useful?

# WHAT TO INCLUDE

**Academic pursuits**

**Key skills and competencies**

**Special Projects**

**Work experience or placements**

**Taster days, public lectures,  
exhibitions, summer schools**

**Relevant extra-curricular activities**

**Awards/achievements**

# WHAT TO AVOID

**Lying/exaggerating**

**Plagiarism**

**Mentioning university names**

**Spelling/grammar/punctuation  
errors**

**Informal language and punctuation**

**Irrelevant quotes**

**Bullet Points/ Shopping Lists**

# 3 key takeaways

A woman with dark, curly hair is smiling warmly at the camera. She is wearing a black long-sleeved top and a necklace with a large, dark, teardrop-shaped pendant. She is seated at a table, and her hands are visible in the foreground. The background is a blurred office or meeting room setting with other people partially visible.

Evidence your  
experiences

Make it authentically  
you

Quality, not quantity

Life as a student in  
London!

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Student Engagement  
Assistant & Student  
Ambassador



# Questions?

Scan to find out more about our courses, Open Days, work experience opportunities and more

