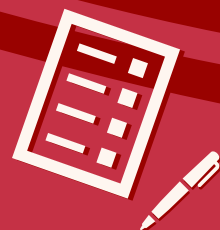


# Applying to university...



## UCAS Application

To apply to a university in the UK you must submit a UCAS application. This is an online form which includes:

- information about you
- the courses and universities you're interested in
- a personal statement about why you want to study at university
- a reference

You must pay an application fee which gives you 5 course choices.



### *When do I need to apply?*

UCAS have two application deadlines that vary slightly each year. If you are applying for a medicine or veterinary course or applying Oxford or Cambridge, you must submit your application by the middle of October. For most other courses the deadline falls towards the end of January.

Don't worry if you miss the deadline, there is an option to apply through 'Clearing' after your results by contacting your preferred universities and asking if they have available spaces.

*For more information:*



[Applying to University - learn about everything involved \(ucas.com\)](https://www.ucas.com)

## Oxbridge

Applying to Oxford or Cambridge University, also referred to as 'Oxbridge', will vary from other university application processes. As mentioned above, the application deadline is earlier in the academic year on 15<sup>th</sup> October. However, you must also choose a college, take an admissions test and, if successful, attend an interview.

Oxbridge students have shorter, academically intensive terms, supportive teaching through tutorials and exam favoured assessments.



You must submit a UCAS application form, including your personal statement (80% academic and 20% extra-curricular) and a reference.



Both universities are collegiate. You must apply to your preferred college or submit an 'open' application. Each have their own sites and facilities.



You will complete an assessment. This may be in the form of a test or written work. This is your chance to display your academic skills.



You may be invited to attend an interview, designed to assess your understanding of material and the way you think.

