

The logo for UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service) is centered on the page. It consists of the letters 'UCAS' in a dark blue, sans-serif font. The letter 'A' is stylized and colored red. Two thin, dark blue horizontal lines extend from the left and right sides of the text, meeting at the center.

UCAS

Why go to university?

- Higher earning potential
- Greater job choice
- Life experience
- Develop transferable skills
- Academic excellence

Which course?

“When I grow up, I
want to be a ...”

“I’ve just always
been fascinated
by mummies...”

“Mrs Whiting has bought
History
alive for me! It has to be
History!”

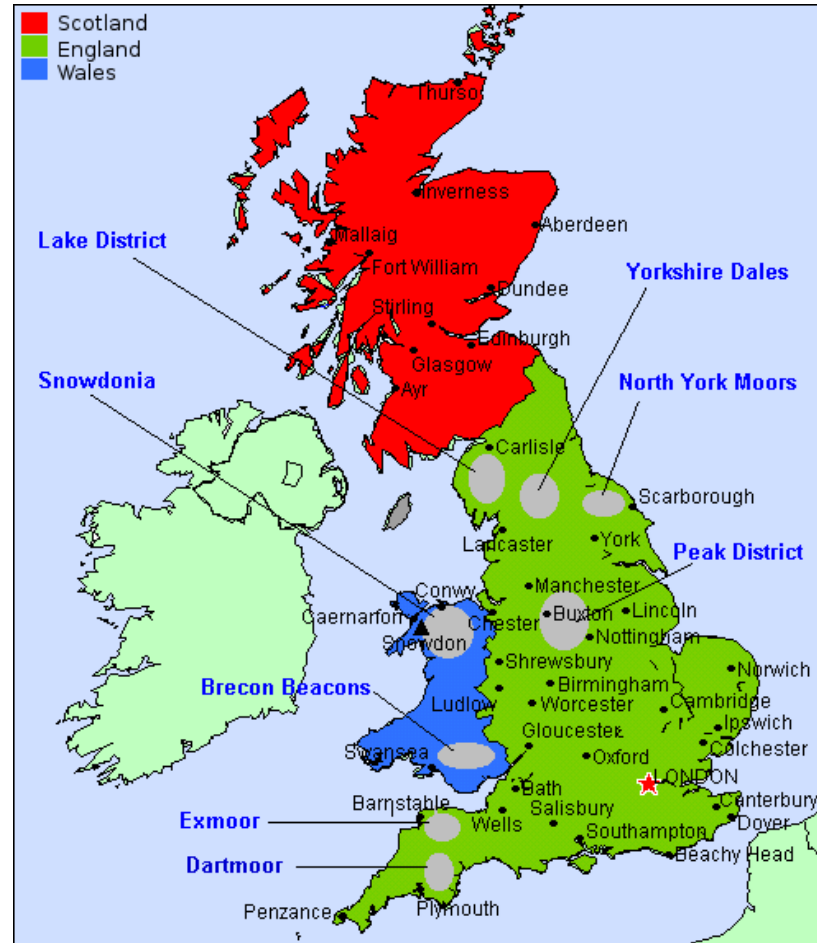
How to choose a course

- Starting points...
- Your career
- Your A levels
 - Which do you enjoy the most?
 - Which do you work hardest at?
 - Which are you best at?
- Your outside interests
 - What are you good at?
 - What do you spend your time doing?
 - What do you watch / search up?
- What can you imagine doing for 3 years?

Which university?

“My mom’s my
best friend!”

“Oh, I do like to
be beside the
sea-side...”



“When a man
is tired of
London, he is
tired of life.”

“How
much...?!”

“It just feels right...”

Which course?

“I got 3 Bs in my End of Year tests – which course should I go for?”

1 aspirational

3 probable

1 “uh – oh”

Grades (BBC) vs Points (112)

Tariffs

A level grade	Tariff
A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

EPQ grade	Tariff
A*	28
A	24
B	20
C	16
D	12
E	8

BTEC grade	Tariff
D*	56
D	48
M	32
P	16

Reference and Predicted grades

- Realistic
- Evidenced

Which course?

“For over
£9250 a year I
want to see my
tutor!”

University Finance

- You can get financial support from government to help with the costs of higher education.
- Repayments depend on your income and are only made after you have left your course and are earning above a certain amount.
- Any outstanding loan amount is written off after 40 years, even if you haven't paid it all.
- Additional support is available for those who might need it.

The Personal Statement

1. Why do you want to study this course or subject?
2. How have your qualifications and studies prepared you for this course or subject?
3. What else have you done to prepare outside of education and why are these experiences helpful?

1 Why do you want to study this course or subject?

- What was the spark?
 - Family
 - Event – personal or bigger
 - Outing
 - Book / film / magazine / influencer
 - Lesson / teacher
- How has this developed?
 - What did you do after the spark and how did this make you want to take this course even more?
- Show you know the course
 - Talk about the content / specifics

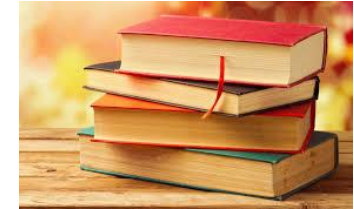
2 How have your qualifications and studies prepared you for this course or subject?

- Skills
 - Independent study
 - Data collection / analysis
 - Extended writing
 - Critical thinking
 - Evaluation
- Knowledge
 - Show you understand the link between A level and further education
- EPQ, MOOCs

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

- Extra curricular
 - Work experience
 - D of E
 - Hobbies
 - Uniformed organisations
 - Extra reading
 - Visits
 - Programmes
- Link it with the subject

Most importantly...



Evidence your enthusiasm



Support

- On email
 - Student handbook
 - How to write a Personal Statement ppt
- People
 - Form tutor
 - Ms Moulds – H7
 - Mr Moore, Beth
- Websites
 - UCAS.com
 - Unifrog.org
 - Prospects.ac.uk
 - Youtube.com

<http://www.ucas.com>

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