



University of  
Roehampton  
London

## UCAS

UCAS stands for Universities and Colleges Admissions Service and is the centralised service for students to apply to university. Below are some key terms you may come across.

	Key Terms
<b>Tariff Points / UCAS Points</b>	Tariff points (also called UCAS points) refers to the system of allocating points to different qualifications. Some universities will give entry requirements in tariff points e.g. 120 which is equivalent to BBB at A Level. Find out how many points you have or are predicted here <a href="http://www.ucas.com/ucas/tariff-calculator">www.ucas.com/ucas/tariff-calculator</a>
<b>Deferral</b>	This is where you delay or carry an offer over to start in the following academic year. Students commonly do this if they wish to take a gap year.
<b>Conditional Offer</b>	This is where an offer of a place is made subject to conditions. To be accepted on the course, you'll need to meet the conditions – usually related to your exam results. This is the most common type of offer for students applying directly from further education.
<b>Unconditional offer</b>	This is where an offer of a place is made with no conditions.
<b>UCAS Extra</b>	Extra is a service you can use to apply for alternative places if you do not hold an offer from your first five choices.
<b>Firm choice</b>	This is an offer you accept as your first choice.
<b>Insurance Choice</b>	This is an offer you accept as your second choice – just in case you don't meet the conditions of your firm offer. It should have lower entry requirements than your firm choice.
<b>Clearing</b>	Clearing is another service you can use to look for alternative courses. If you didn't receive a place on a course – whether you didn't receive offers, declined your offers, or didn't get the grades you needed – clearing allows you to apply for courses that still have vacancies.
<b>Adjustment</b>	This is a service you can use to look for alternative courses. In cases where you've met and exceeded your conditions you can check to see if you could get on to a course with higher entry requirements– all while still holding your original confirmed place.

## Applying through UCAS

If you have any questions about the UCAS application go to their FAQs section. Below are some key dates and information that you might find useful.

 Key Dates—Sept 2021 Entry	 Key Dates—Sept 2021 Entry
<b>8th Sept</b> UCAS Applications open	<b>6th July</b> International Baccalaureate results day
<b>15th Oct</b> Competitive university / course deadline	<b>24th Aug</b> A Level results day
<b>15th Jan</b> Application deadline	<b>19th Aug</b> Adjustment opens
<b>5th May</b> University Decision deadline (if you receive all your responses by 31st March)	<b>7th Sept*</b> Scottish Universities start
<b>6th May</b> University Response Deadline (for applications submitted by 15th Jan)	<b>21st Sept*</b> Common university start date
<b>3rd June</b> University Decision deadline (if you receive all your responses by 6th May)	*Each university will have a different start date please check their website for confirmation

UCAS POINTS	A-LEVEL (example A level results AS levels and other combinations are also applicable.)	BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA
64	DDE	MPP
96	CCC	MMM
112	BBC	DMM
120	BBB	-
128	ABB	DDM
144	A*AB / AAA	DDD

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## Plagiarism

UCAS checks every personal statement for plagiarism. Plagiarism is the practice of taking someone else's work or ideas and passing them off as your own. If your personal statement is found to be plagiarised this could result in your application being cancelled or prevent your being accepted to universities in the future.

## Useful Websites

### University of Roehampton

[www.roehampton.ac.uk/](http://www.roehampton.ac.uk/)

### UCAS

[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

### Which

[www.university.which.co.uk](http://www.university.which.co.uk)

## University of Roehampton

Set on London's most beautiful campus, the University of Roehampton offers a high-quality student experience with outstanding staff and facilities.



## Check list

### Course

- Have you decided what course you want to study?
- Have you researched the entry requirements?
- Have you checked to see if you have to complete an admissions test?
- Have you decided on your final five choices.

### Application

- Have you completed each section of the application?
- Have you related your achievements back to the course in your personal statement?
- Have you provided evidence for all the skills mentioned?
- Have you had a friend, teacher and family member check over your personal statement?

### Responses

- Have you accepted your firm and insurance choices.
- Have you confirmed your place on the course after results day?