

UCAS Applications Timeline

Year 12 / FEC Year 1



September - October 2019

- Make sure you understand the structure and demands of your KS5/FEC courses
- Start exploring university events and schemes

November - December 2019

- Ensure you understand the main post-18 pathways: university, apprenticeships, employment
- Start applying for university open days, events and schemes
- Keep a record of any experiences you have and the subject-specific skills you gain - you can refer to these in your UCAS application

January - February 2020

- Make sure you understand the UCAS process and timeline
- Make sure you understand the structure of the UCAS form

March - April 2020

- Make sure you understand what university study involves
- Find out about the wider areas of university life as well
- Make sure you know how student finance works

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May - June 2020

- Make sure you understand the range of courses available in your subject area
- Visit Which? University for more information about course choices
- Make your preliminary HE course choices
- Make sure you know about admissions tests required for your chosen courses

July-August 2020

- Review your HE course choices and entry requirements
- Start preparing for admissions tests if applicable to the course you are applying for
- Complete your initial personal statement draft over the summer holiday. See our 5 Tips for writing a competitive personal statement

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Year 13 / FEC Year 2

September - October 2019

- 4th September - UCAS applications open
- Complete final draft of Personal Statement (for 15th October deadline)
- Complete initial Personal Statement draft and finalise your course and institution choices (for 15th January deadline)
- 15th October - UCAS deadline for the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry.
- Prepare for interviews if applicable

November - December 2019

- Complete final draft of Personal Statement (for 15th January deadline)

January - February 2020

- 15th January - UCAS deadline for the majority of undergraduate courses
- Make sure you understand how to choose your firm and insurance offers
- 25th February - UCAS extra opens
- Make sure you understand UCAS Extra

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Year 13 / FEC Year 2



March - April 2020

- Make sure you understand how UCAS Clearing and Adjustment works
- Make sure you consider your possible results day outcomes

May - June 2020

- 3rd May - decisions usually back from universities for January applications
- 30th June - applications received after this date are entered into Clearing, while those received before will be sent on to universities

July - August 2020

- July - UCAS Clearing opens
- 15th August - A level results day
- 15th August - UCAS Adjustment Opens
- 31st August - UCAS Adjustment closes

September - October 2020

- 22nd October - deadline for adding Clearing choices and for universities to accept Clearing applicants

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