



YOUR GUIDE TO APPLYING FOR UNIVERSITY



2020 - 2022



**The college UCAS
deadline is
1st December***

*Students applying to Oxford & Cambridge and for Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Science have an earlier deadline of 24th September 2021 and should contact the Higher Education team.

The logo for Unifrog, featuring the word "unifrog" in a lowercase, green, sans-serif font.

Unifrog brings into one place every university course and apprenticeship in the UK, as well as other opportunities such as School Leaver Programmes, MOOCs and international undergraduate courses.

The platform makes it easy for you to record what you're good at, to write CVs and Personal Statements, and to prepare for applications and interviews. Your teachers can give you feedback and write your subject references, all in one place.

www.unifrog.org

The logo for UCAS, featuring the letters "UCAS" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letter "A" is stylized with a red triangle pointing upwards.

This is where the magic happens! UCAS is your portal to search + apply for your courses, check your offers and keep up to date with the progress of your application.

www.ucas.com

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**90% of our
students who
apply to
university
gain a place.**

SEPT-NOV

RESEARCHING THE DREAM

COLLEGE INDUCTION

You have just arrived and we are going to ask you what you want to do when you leave Monoux. It is important that you identify your 'dream' so we can help you reach your goals.

The Unifrog Careers and Subjects Library will really help you with this. You will receive log in instructions at induction.

DECEMBER

REFLECTION

PASSPORT DAY

Reflect on your Passport Day discussions. Are you on track?

Is your dream still your dream?

JAN-FEB

THE UNIFROG CHALLENGE

UNIFROG

This is your opportunity to learn more about how Unifrog can help you and to start to fill in some of the sections that help guide you towards applying for university or apprenticeships.

THE CAREERS AND UNIVERSITY DAYS 25th & 26th February 2021

This is a massive event where employers and universities come in and take over the Mentoring Zone. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and get information from the exhibitors.

MARCH

RESEARCHING YOUR OPTIONS

PASSPORT DAY PROGRESS CHECK

On your Passport Day we will check how you are getting on with your progress on Unifrog. There will be sessions on writing personal statements and applying for apprenticeships. Also remember to sign up for extra-curricular activities via Microsoft Teams!

UNIVERSITY OPPORTUNITIES

This is the time to apply for university taster days and summer schools.

These are a great way of finding out what it is really like to study your chosen subject at university. Keep an eye on Microsoft Teams.

UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

From the research you have done so far, go and visit some universities from your shortlist.

APR-MAY

RESEARCHING YOUR OPTIONS

RESEARCH

This is the time you should be really focusing on researching your options. Consider your predicted grades, visiting universities, bursaries on offer, how the course is taught and the location of the university.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

A good personal statement goes a long way. It's the first thing universities look at to differentiate all of the applications they receive. Use Unifrog to start drafting your personal statement.

UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

If you haven't booked an open day, why not? You will be there for at least 3 years so you need to check them out.

JUN-AUG

REVIEWING YOUR OPTIONS

PASSPORT DAY (JUNE)

Print your top 5 university choices. You have done lots of research. Now is the time to discuss your top 5 at the Passport Days.

MEET YOUR NEXT STEPS ADVISOR

This is your opportunity to meet with your Next Steps Adviser. This is the person who will write your reference and support you next term with your university application.

UCAS WEBSITE

Congratulations! You can now log on to UCAS. We will help you log on for the first time and make sure you can navigate the system.

DRAFT PERSONAL STATEMENT

This is your first opportunity to get your draft checked. Print and show it in your review. The feedback in June will help you create a final version before you leave for the Summer.

UNIVERSITY OPEN DAYS

Still not been to an open day? You're running out of time.

SEPT-NOV

PREPARING YOUR APPLICATION

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Now the fun really starts. Work for 5 sessions with your Next Steps Advisor to perfect your application. They will use Unifrog to guide you through the process. By October you should have all of your choices finalised, and finished your personal statement.


Remember your application needs to be in before the 1st of December*
**Applications for Oxford, Cambridge, Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine have a deadline of 24th September 2021.*

DECEMBER

TRACKING YOUR APPLICATION

COLLEGE DEADLINE

The college has an internal deadline for applications of 1st December*

 *Missing this deadline means your application will miss the UCAS deadline.*

AFTER YOU HAVE APPLIED

Now sit back and wait for the offers and interviews to come in. Keep working hard. At your December Passport day there will be sessions on university finance, budgeting and how to accept your university offers.

UNCONDITIONAL OFFERS

If a university gives you an unconditional offer you still need to get good grades. Some poorly ranked universities give out unconditional offers to attract more students. If you receive an unconditional offer take time to consider if it is the right university for you.

UCAS TRACK

Once you've received your welcome email from UCAS, sign in to UCAS 'Track'. See your university offers & look out for interview invitations.

JAN-FEB

TRACKING YOUR APPLICATION

STUDENT FINANCE

From February you will apply for your student loans for university. We will let you know when the application system opens.

CONSIDER YOUR OFFERS

From your offers you will need to pick a 1st and 2nd choice. These are known as your Firm & Insurance choices. Consider the grades you are currently achieving. Your Firm choice will be the university you are really aspiring to attend. Your Insurance choice will be your back-up and needs to be of a LOWER grade offer than your Firm choice.

MARCH

TRACKING YOUR APPLICATION

WORK HARD

Now's the time to put your head down and give a final push to your work – your efforts will pay off!

UCAS OFFER DEADLINES

Information will be provided on the deadline to accept your UCAS offers. Keep an eye on Microsoft Teams.

APR-AUG

RESEARCHING YOUR OPTIONS

ACCEPTING OFFERS

Log on to your UCASTrack and make your final choices. From your offers, you will accept one firm choice and one insurance choice. All other offers you are holding will be declined.

CLEARING AND ADJUSTMENT

Information will be provided for clearing and adjustment. Keep an eye on Microsoft Teams.

STUDENT FINANCE DEADLINE

Remember to apply for your student loans. We will let you know the deadline. Keep an eye on Microsoft Teams.

REVIEWING YOUR OPTIONS

RESULTS DAY

CLEARING AND ADJUSTMENT

If your results are not what you expected, the college will provide clearing and adjustment support.



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