

UCAS and University

# Application Deadlines

Important dates

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<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/ucas-undergraduate-when-apply>

Please note the following UCAS deadlines for application submission. These vary depending on institution and courses.

- **15 October 2020 for 2021 entry at 18:00 (UK time)** – any course at the universities of Oxford and Cambridge, or for most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry. **Please note:** You can add choices with a different deadline later, but don't forget you can only have five choices in total.
- **15 January 2021 for 2021 entry at 18:00 (UK time)** – for the majority of courses.

Please check the deadlines for your individual school or college if you are making an application through them. This will be earlier to allow them time to check your application, attach references and submit to UCAS.

## Clearing

Don't panic if you have missed your deadline, you may still have a chance to apply for many courses.

1. Ask the universities whether they have vacancies for courses with a 15 October deadline
2. 30 June, 18:00 (UK time) was the final deadline for late applications with course choices
3. 20 September, 18:00 (UK time) – it's still okay to apply by this date, you'll be entered into 'Clearing' – the process universities and colleges use to fill any places they still have on their courses

**Application deadlines through UCAS Conservatoires are different.**

- **1 October 2020, 18:00 (UK time)** – for music courses
- **15 January 2021, 18:00 (UK time)** – for most undergraduate dance, drama or musical theatre courses

Find out how to apply at <https://www.ucas.com/conservatoires/how-apply-through-ucas-conservatoires/ucas-conservatoires-when-apply>

## Course-related admissions tests

There may be additional entry requirements such as an entry test. Some course providers require these additional admissions assessments to be taken alongside the UCAS application, and these also have a deadline for registration and entry. Here is a list with links, please check your individual university:

### Law

- [Cambridge Law Test](#)
- [LNAT – National Admissions Test for Law](#)

### Mathematics

- [Mathematics Admissions Test \(MAT\)](#)
- [Sixth Term Examination Paper \(STEP\)](#)
- [Test of Mathematics for University Admissions](#)

### Medical courses

- [BioMedical Admissions Test \(BMAT\)](#)
- [Graduate Medical School Admissions Test \(GAMSAT\)](#)
- [Health Professions Admission Test \(HPAT Ulster\)](#)
- [University Clinical Aptitude Test \(UCAT\)](#). Read [UCAT's 2020 update on how the test will be delivered this year](#).

### Thinking Skills Assessment

- [Thinking Skills Assessment Cambridge \(TSA Cambridge\)](#)
- [Thinking Skills Assessment Oxford \(TSA Oxford\)](#)
- [Thinking Skills Assessment University College London \(TSA UCL\)](#)

The two most popular are LNAT (Law) and UCAT (Medical courses), here is the information you will need:

### LNAT registration

<https://lnat.ac.uk/registration/>

Registration for and booking of LNAT tests for entry into university in September / October of a particular year opens on 1 August the previous year. Testing starts on 1 September every year.

### 2020 LNAT Registration

- 1 August 2020: UCAS registration will open. LNAT registration begins.
- 1 September 2020: LNAT testing begins
- Mid-September 2020: UCAS applications can be submitted

### 2020 LNAT Oxford Deadlines (to gain a place at Oxford)

- Register and book your test slot 1 August -15 September 2020 (in order to sit the test)
- 15 October 2020: Submit your UCAS form
- 15 October 2020: Sit the LNAT before, or at the latest on, 15 October 2020

2020 Deadlines for all other LNAT universities in order to be considered for a place.

- 15 January 2021: Register and book your LNAT test slot before this date
- 15 January 2021: Submit your UCAS form
- 20 January 2021: Sit the LNAT before or on 20 January 2021

More information can be found at <https://lnat.ac.uk/registration/dates-and-deadlines/>

## UCAT Registration

<https://www.ucat.ac.uk/ucat/ucat-2020/>

Registration is open from 1 July 2020 and the UCAT website strongly recommends that you to register and book your test as early as possible.

For candidates taking the UCAT in 2020 should note these key dates\* (from the UCAT website):

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1 July 2020 (9am)	Registration opens Booking opens Bursary Scheme opens Access Arrangements / UCATSEN applications open
3 August 2020	Testing begins
17 September 2020 (midday)	Registration closes Web booking closes Access Arrangements / UCATSEN application deadline
30 September 2020 (midday)	Final booking deadline (for registered candidates)
1 October 2020	Last testing date Bursary application deadline (4pm)
15 October 2020	UCAS application deadline
Early November 2020	Results delivered to universities

To find out more about the test and how these are being carried out at test centres and online visit:

<https://www.ucat.ac.uk/ucat/ucat-2020/>

## University Admissions Tests

Some universities require you to sit a test, you can check using the UCAS [search tool](#).

### University of Cambridge

Please [check the university's website](#), the deadlines for registrations are as follows:

- [BMAT September and November sessions](#)
- **15 October at 18:00 (UK time)** [all other pre-interview assessments](#)

In addition to your UCAS application, you will also need to complete a [Supplementary Application Questionnaire \(SAQ\)](#). The University of Cambridge runs the following assessments as part of their application process:

- [Cambridge Admissions Assessments](#)
- [BioMedical Admissions Test \(BMAT\)](#)
- [Sixth Term Examination Paper \(STEP\)](#)
- [Thinking Skills Assessment Cambridge \(TSA Cambridge\)](#)
- [Cambridge Law Test](#)
- [Other course-specific admissions tests](#)

### University of Oxford

Register separately to your UCAS application to sit the exam. The deadlines for registrations are as follows:

- [BMAT September and November sessions.](#)

Please note, the University of Oxford will only accept results from BMAT November for A100 Medicine and BC98 Biomedical Sciences. Candidates for A101 Graduate Medicine may choose either the September or November sitting of the BMAT, but test-takers must not take the test twice in one application round.

- **5 October at 18:00 (UK time):**

[LNAT – National Admissions Test for Law](#)

- **15 October at 18:00 (UK time):**
  - [Classics Admissions Test \(CAT\)](#)
  - [English Literature Test \(ELAT\)](#)
  - [History Aptitude Test \(HAT\)](#)
  - [Mathematics Admissions Test \(MAT\)](#)
  - [Modern Languages Admissions Test \(MLAT\)](#)
  - [Oriental Languages Admissions Test \(OLAT\)](#)
  - [Physics Aptitude Test \(PAT\)](#)
  - [Philosophy Test \(PHIL\)](#)
  - [Thinking Skills Assessment Oxford \(TSA Oxford\)](#)

## Other Universities and course providers' admissions tests

- Bedford College
- Birkbeck, University of London
- Birmingham Metropolitan College (Formerly Matthew Boulton College)
- Bishop Grosseteste University
- University of Bolton
- Bournemouth University
- Bradford College
- British School of Osteopathy
- Brunel University
- Buckinghamshire New University
- University of Cambridge
- Cardiff University
- City University London
- University of Cumbria
- Dearne Valley College
- De Montfort University
- University of Dundee
- Edge Hill University
- The University of Edinburgh
- The University of Essex
- Glasgow Caledonian University
- The University of Gloucestershire
- Goldsmiths, University of London
- University of Greenwich
- Hackney Community College
- Heart of Worcestershire College
- University of Hertfordshire
- The University of Hull
- Kensington and Chelsea College
- The University of Kent
- King's College London (University of London)
- Kingston University
- Kirklees College
- Lancaster University
- Liverpool John Moores University
- London Metropolitan University
- London South Bank University
- The Manchester Metropolitan University
- University of Manchester
- MidKent College
- New College Durham
- New College Telford
- University of Northampton
- University of Nottingham
- Nottingham Trent University
- University of Oxford
- Pearson College
- Plymouth University
- University of Portsmouth

- Ruskin College Oxford
- St Helens University Centre
- The University of Salford
- South & City College Birmingham
- University of South Wales
- Teesside University
- Wakefield College
- University of the West of Scotland
- University of Westminster
- York College

## SAAS funding deadline

The following guidance has been taken from <https://www.saas.gov.uk/guides/guide-to-undergraduate-funding>

### **Apply early**

You should apply as early as possible to make sure you get your money at the start of your first term.

If you don't apply by the closing date of 31 March 2021, you will have to pay your fees and won't get any living-cost funding.

### **Do not wait for results**

Do not wait for exam results or a firm/unconditional offer before applying for funding.

### **Apply to us for your first choice of course**

If you don't get the course you applied for, use your [SAAS account](#) to change your application to another course or to cancel it.

### **Claim for everything that you are eligible for**

Make sure that you claim for everything that you are eligible for. We can only pay you for the level of funding you ask for.

### **Be sure to give us all of your details**

When you apply, you must give all the details we ask for so we can work out how much you can get. This includes details of your household's income if you're applying for income assessed funding.

### **Use the help text**

There is help text throughout the application process that will explain how to fill in the form.

### **If it's your first year, fill out the whole form**

You only need to fill in a whole online form in the first year that you apply to us for funding.

After this, most your details will be on the online form, except for your parents' income, as we need this each year.

### **Make sure you have a National Insurance Number**

You will not be able to apply online without a National Insurance number, unless you're an EU student who has been resident in the UK for less than 3 years.



**Send clear documents**

You should send clear photocopies of any documents we need to see.

Do not send original documents, as we destroy anything received after 30 days.

**Processing date**

We aim to process correct applications received before 30 June 2020 for you starting or returning to your course.

We will assess your entitlement and issue you an award notice. This notice shows how much you will receive in bursary or living-costs grants (or both) each month. It will also tell you if we will pay your tuition fees straight to your college or university on your behalf.

**Sending applications after 30 June**

If we receive your application after 30 June 2020, we may not be able to process this before the start of your course.

The actual closing date for applications is 31 March 2021.

**Student Loans Company (SLC) payments**

If applying for a student loan, you'll see the amount the Student Loans Company (SLC) will pay you for the entire year. The SLC will send you a separate payment schedule which will show the amount you will receive each month.

**Tracking your application's progress**

You can track the progress of your application on your online [SAAS account](#).