

STUDY IN UNITED KINGDOM



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United Kingdom is

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Wales



There are 160 universities and colleges in the UK that are permitted to award a wide variety of degrees recognised by the UK authorities (UK and Scottish Parliament, Welsh and Northern Ireland Assemblies) to suit most educational aspirations. All have degree-awarding powers.

There are also over 700 colleges and other institutions which do not have degree-awarding powers but provide complete courses leading to recognised UK degrees.

To check if a degree is recognised by the respective UK government, go to

<https://www.gov.uk/check-a-university-is-officially-recognised/overview>

'UK undergraduate degrees are globally recognised qualifications. Offered in a huge range of subjects, they are taught at prestigious universities and colleges by world-class academics.'

In Scotland, undergraduate degrees

- takes three years to complete an ordinary degree
- takes four years to gain honours
- are sometimes awarded with the title master's, depending on the tradition within the awarding institution.

In England, Northern Ireland and Wales, undergraduate degrees

- takes three years and in most cases are awarded 'with honours'
 - First class (1st)
 - Upper second class (2:1)
 - Lower second class (2:2)
 - Third class honours (3rd)
 - Pass (degree without honours)
- takes four years if students spend one year in internship



Undergraduate studies to suit every need

Degrees

- the most popular undergraduate qualification in the UK.
- academic courses, usually studied over three years in England, Northern Ireland and Wales, or four years in Scotland (where the title master's degree may be awarded)
- Some degree courses may be extended for a year to enable students to spend time in industry or overseas.



Undergraduate studies to suit every need

Foundation Degrees (FdA, FdSc, etc.)

- two-year career-related higher education courses, which are equivalent to the first stages of a degree
- art and design, media and communications, engineering and hospitality management
- They can be used as a good foundation for a career or as a basis to progress on to a degree course



Undergraduate studies to suit every need

Higher National Certificate (HNC) or Diploma (HND)

- one- and two-year career-related higher education courses, equivalent to the first stages of a degree
- engineering, sports studies, art and design, media and communications and music technology
- On successful completion students can enter a career at junior management level or can choose to 'top-up' to a degree by transferring to the second or third year of the degree course



Undergraduate studies to suit every need

Diplomas of Higher Education

- two-year courses in subject areas usually related to the social sciences, such as education, theology, communication studies and social work
- ideal for students hoping to progress to a career in these areas and also provide a foundation for higher education courses in the same subject area



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**Undergraduate studies
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University International Foundation Year

- bridge any gaps between qualifications you hold already and the ones you need to begin a degree course at a UK university

Field of studies in UK:-

Engineering & Technology

Applied & Pure Science

Creative Arts & Design

Health & Medical

Business & Administrative

Law & Legal Studies

The UK Teaching Methodology

Teaching at most UK institutions includes **tutorials, lectures and seminars, and practical sessions.**

Lectures are given to a large group of students, usually in a lecture theatre.

Seminars are given by one or more staff members with a smaller group of students.

In this style of teaching, students can discuss lectures or be asked to prepare presentations to spark debate in the group.

Tutorials may involve a much smaller group – usually one member of staff with four or five students. Practical sessions include laboratory work.





The evaluation system

At many UK universities and colleges,

- the first year examination results don't count towards the final degree classification
- the second and third year results, often combined with a mark awarded for a dissertation, make up the final result

At some universities and colleges

- a modular system of assessment in which courses are made up of units
- each module has a credit rating and the grade awarded for the degree may be based on the total points you have collected
- some courses the degree is awarded on the basis of the final examinations

Tuition fees:- £10,500 to £30,000 per year

Cost of living within London:-
£1000 per month

Cost of living outside London:-
£ 800 per month





Application to a UK university

- Universities Approved Education Advisors
- Universities and Colleges Admissions Service, UCAS
- For students seeking a place on practice-based music, dance or drama courses at UK conservatoires should apply through the Conservatoires UK Admissions Service (CUKAS)

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Universities and Colleges Admissions Service, UCAS

-UCAS application fee

- more than one course, university or college,
the fee is £23
- one course at one university or college, you pay £12
- paid the single application fee and add further choices,
you pay a further £11

The cost for applications after 30 June is £23 because these applications will be entered into [Clearing*](#).

* Clearing is a service available between July and September to help people without a university or college place to find suitable vacancies on higher education courses.

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UCAS deadline dates for applications for autumn entry

15 October 1800 hrs

- for all medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and veterinary science courses as well as applications to Oxford and Cambridge universities.

15 January 1800 hrs

- for all other universities and courses (except certain art and design courses)

24 March 1800 hrs

- for certain art and design courses.



Seven sections in the UCAS online application

- 1) **Personal details** - the essentials about you
- 2) **Choices** - here you enter the course details for up to five courses that you want to study, and institutions you would like to attend
- 3) **Education** - lets you enter all the educational establishments you have attended (or are still attending).
- 4) **Employment**
- 5) **Statement** - your personal statement is a great way to tell admissions tutors about your interest in your subject, any relevant experience you've had and why you have chosen the UK.
- 6) **Reference** - this should be written by someone who knows the most about you academically. A teacher or tutor is ideal.
- 7) **Pay/send** is the final stage before your application is completed.

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UCAS Tariff Points system

A = 120 points

B = 100 points

C = 80 points

D = 60 points

E = 40 points

The university will require a minimum score which students must achieve in order to enter the university.

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- Students choose six universities and select two to be their options
- Out of the choices, one will be the firm choice, where if you get selected to enter it, you will have to stick with it or forfeit your chance of going to a university this year and try again next year.
- The other is the insurance choice, which requires less expectations from your GCE 'A' Level results, and acts as the backup should you fail to enter the firm choice university.



- If a student fails to achieve the minimum scores needed to enter his firm choice university under the UCAS system, he has two options. One is to ask the firm choice university again if they will reconsider his application
- If he gets rejected, then he will have to accept his insurance choice university
- If both options fail and his score is not even enough to get him to enter his insurance choice university, he will have to go through the UCAS clearing process, where he applies for the courses left available by the various universities spread across the country.
- If he refuses, he will have to try and apply again next year.

For more information about studying in UK, go to
<https://www.britishcouncil.org.sg/en/education-uk>

For more information about application through UCAS, go to
<http://www.ucas.com>

For more information about applying for your UK student visa, go to
<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/studying>

Thank You Very Much