

THE UCAS APPLICATION TIMELINE 2020/2021

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Summer holidays 2020	 Go to university open days
	 Shortlist your choices (up to 5, 4 if medicine)
	 Write a draft personal statement
Early September 2020	 UCAS applications open - this is when you can
	submit your application
25 September 2020	 Recommended internal UCAS submission deadline
	for Oxbridge/medicine, dentistry, vet science
September 2020	 Talk to your tutor about your UCAS reference
	(confirming the course you are applying for)
	 Go to university open days (many are at weekends)
6 October 2020	 Deadline for UCAT for applicants for medicine
	(booking opens 4 May and testing begins 1 July)
15 October 2020	 External deadline for applications for Oxford,
	Cambridge, medicine, dentistry and veterinary
	science
October/November 2020	 Prepare for admissions tests
	 Attend mock interview practice
October 2020 to May 2021	 Start to hear back from universities
	 Attend interview invitations
4 November 2020	 Date for Oxbridge admissions tests and BMAT
27 November 2020	Recommended internal UCAS submission deadline
15 January 2021	 External deadline for UCAS applications (other than
	a few art courses – March, and Oxbridge/MDV -
	which is 15 October)
Late February to end June	 UCAS Extra is open – if you have used all 5 choices
2021	and do not have an offer, you can add another
	choice now
March 2021	 Apply for student finance
May and June 2021	 Deadline for replying to offers and making firm and
	insurance choices (date depends on when you
	heard back from all of your universities – you will be
	told in UCAS Track)
5 July to mid-September	 UCAS Clearing is open to anyone who applies after
2021	30 June 2021 or if you are not holding any offers
	from the universities to which you applied or if your
	place is not confirmed after exams results day
12 August 2021 (TBC)	 A level results day – your place at university will be
	confirmed or you will be eligible for clearing (if you
	have no confirmed place) or adjustment (if you
	have done better than expected)
End September/beginning	 You start your degree course or your chosen
October 2021	alternative (gap year, apprenticeship, etc.)
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