



# **Applying to a British University**

## How and When to Apply

- Make sure you get your application in well before the deadline, particularly if you want to study at one of the top universities in the UK.
- All applications to UK universities are made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). Simply fill in a UCAS application form on the <u>UCAS website</u> or visit the nearest <u>British</u> <u>Council</u> office.

### EU and International students

 Applicants from within an EU country must ensure their application form is received by UCAS by 15 January; otherwise they will be treated as late applicants. Different, usually earlier, dates apply for Oxford and Cambridge, and for medical and art and design courses.

#### UCAS Application Deadlines – Key Provisional Dates for 2016 Entry

- March–September 2015 Research and make choices about universities and courses. Open Days, conferences and HE fairs/conventions take place between March and September/early October. Make the most of school/college holidays to visit universities colleges, and university cities/towns. Applications can be sent to UCAS from mid-September.
- 15 October 2015 Deadline for receipt at UCAS (by 18.00 UK time) of applications for Cambridge or Oxford, or medicine, dentistry or veterinary science/medicine in any university.
- 15 January 2016 Deadline for receipt at UCAS (by 18.00 UK time) of most other applications to be treated equally from the UK or elsewhere in the EU (except some art and design courses – check with the universities).

## **Tuition Fees for International Students**

Choosing to study for an undergraduate degree at one of the top universities in the UK will be a worthwhile experience, but it can also be an expensive one.

- International students normally resident in countries outside the EU (European Union) and EEA (European Economic Area) pay nearfull-cost tuition fees in all of the UK universities. These are likely to be in the range shown below and in the <u>university profiles</u>. Students from outside the EU will not be eligible for the loans and grants available to UK and EU students.
- Students from the EU pay the same fees as home students. Non-EU students from the European Economic Area and Switzerland should consult the guidance provided <u>here</u> by UKCISA the UK Council for International Student Affairs.
- While many international students from outside the EU receive financial support from their home countries, UK scholarships for international students, whether from the UK government, sponsors or the individual universities themselves are limited. The vast majority are for post-graduate study, although there are one or two schemes for which undergraduates can be considered in exceptional circumstances.

#### Average tuition fees for international students

Subject	£ Sterling
Humanities and Social Science	£9,000 -£10,800
Sciences and Engineering	£10,200-£13,800
Clinical subjects	£23,200-£26,000

- Students with discretionary leave to remain will still be eligible for the home student rate in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- As well as the UCAS application, remember to check on eligibility for any possible scholarships, loans and grants.