



An Introduction to Higher Education

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Main Topics

- Choosing your course and university
- The Application Process
- Student Finance

TIMELINE

2023

Summer-Autumn 2023

Write personal statement

May 2023

UCAS opens

September 2023

Applications can be submitted

2024

16th October 2023

Oxford/Cambridge,
Medicine, Dentistry and
Veterinary deadline

31st January 2024

UCAS deadline

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What are your options?

**How many different courses can you
study at UG level in the UK?**

50,000

Work Placement Year

- A year working in industry
- Supported by Careers Team and academics
- Lower tuition fees
- Network and gain experience



Example: BA (Hons) Business and Marketing Management

Year 1	Study at University
Year 2	Study at University
Year 3	Optional Placement Year
Year 4	Study at University

Previous sandwich year placement examples:

- Walt Disney
- Samsung
- Bentley
- GSK
- Dyson
- Paypal
- HP



Study Abroad

- Turing Scheme
- Partner universities in Europe, USA, Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand and more.
- One semester or one academic year

Study Abroad

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Belgium	Germany	Italy	Poland
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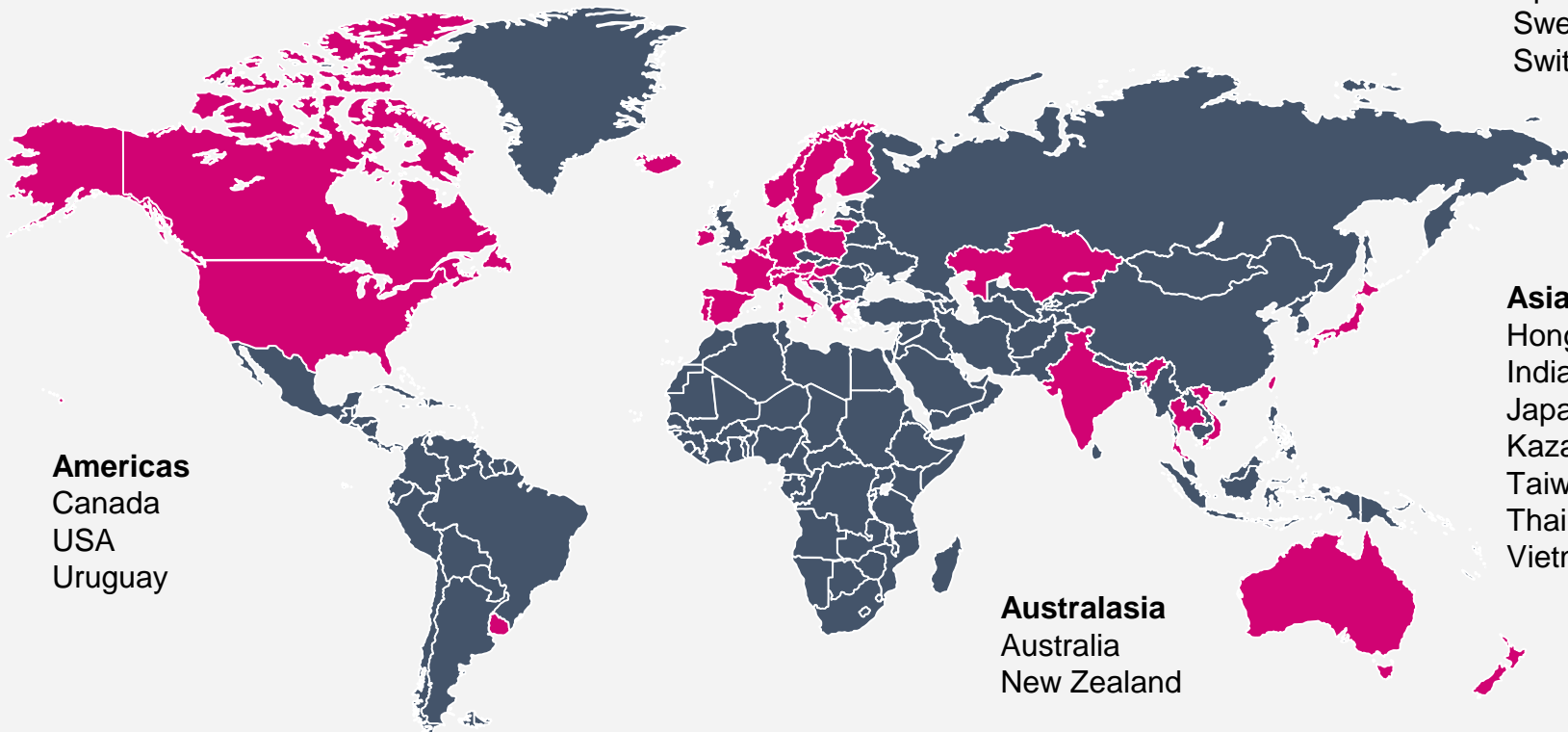
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Thailand
Vietnam

Australasia

Australia
New Zealand

Americas

Canada
USA
Uruguay



Key factors to consider

**Course
structure**

**University
reputation**

**Entry
requirements**

Choosing your university

Reputation

Atmosphere

Size

Facilities

Location

**Financial
Support**

Course Research

Key facts

Overview

How to apply

Tuition fees

Learning and assessment

Study Abroad



Overview

Our popular Physiotherapy course covers the use of physical and psychological approaches in the promotion, restoration and maintenance of health and wellbeing. The course is approved by the [Health and Care Professions Council \(HCPC\)](#) and the [Chartered Society of Physiotherapy \(CSP\)](#).

The National Health Service (NHS) values are woven into the course and our recruitment process. You should have a caring and compassionate nature and respect for others. You will also need to have excellent communication and teamwork skills.

On the course you will:

- learn in clinical settings with international and national reputations
- undertake the 1,000 hours of clinical practice required to qualify as a chartered physiotherapist.



Course Research

UCAS


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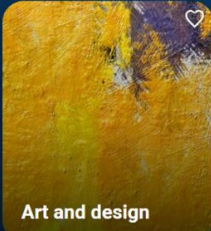
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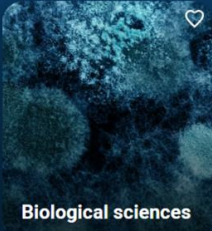
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Chemical engineering

Course Research

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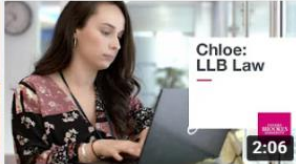


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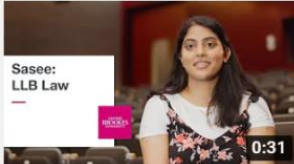


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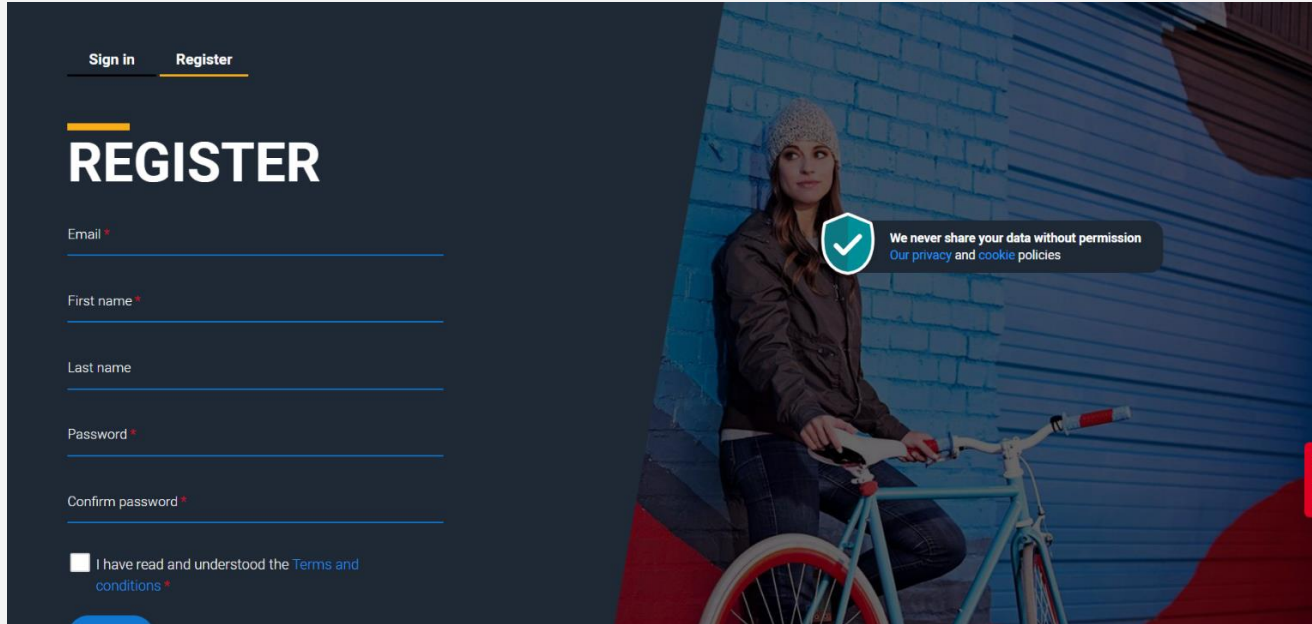
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The Application Process

How do I apply?

The image shows a registration form on a dark background. The form has fields for Email, First name, Last name, Password, and Confirm password, each with a red asterisk indicating it's required. Below the fields is a checkbox for terms and conditions. To the right of the form is a background image of a woman on a bicycle. A privacy notice bubble is overlaid on the image, and a small red button is visible on the far right.

[Sign in](#) [Register](#)

REGISTER

Email *

First name *

Last name

Password *

Confirm password *

☐ I have read and understood the [Terms and conditions](#) *

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What goes on a UCAS application?

Personal
Information

Academic
Grades

Personal
Statement

Reference
from a
teacher

Personal Information

Name, DOB
and Gender

Contact
Details

Nationality
and
Residency

Disability
and Support

Employment
History

English
Language
Skills

Finance and
Funding

Diversity
and
Inclusion

Entry Requirements

UCAS Points	A Level	BTEC
56	A*	D*
48	A	D
40	B	
32	C	M
24	D	
16	E	P

Example Entry Requirements

BSc (Hons) Psychology

- 112 UCAS tariff points
- A Level: BBC
- IB Points: 30
- BTEC: DMM

Example Entry Requirements

BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering

- GCSE English Language 4/C
- UCAS Tariff Points: 112-120
- A Levels: BBB-BBC, including B in Maths and either Physics, Chemistry, Engineering or similar
- BTEC: DDM-DMM Extended Diploma in Engineering with Distinction in Further Mathematics
- IB: 31 points including grade 5 in HL Maths and Physics

What is a Personal Statement?

A Personal Statement is an essential part of your UCAS application



Why are YOU applying?



Why would YOU be suitable for the course?



Why does the university need YOU?

Is the Personal Statement Changing?

- For 2025 entry
- NOT for current year 12s
- Same general idea but questions to help you with the structure

How long is a Personal Statement?

- 47 lines
- 4000 characters
- Approx. 500 words
- Approx. 1 side A4



How many courses can you apply for?

- You can apply for up to **5** courses
- Apply for up to **4** courses in:
 - Medicine
 - Dentistry
 - Veterinary Science/Medicine
- Apply to Oxford **or** Cambridge, not both.

How much does it cost to apply?

£222.50

£27

What do universities do next?

- Invitation to interview/portfolio
- Decision sent by universities
 - Unconditional Offer
 - Conditional Offer
 - Unsuccessful Application
- Applicant Days



Your Responses

- Firm Acceptance
- Insurance Acceptance
- Decline
 - Decline all offers



UCAS Extra

- Add choices one at a time
- If you:
 - Have no offers
 - Have declined all offers to apply for something different

Clearing

- Apply directly to universities
- If you:
 - Have no offers
 - Have not met the conditions of your offers
 - Apply after 30 June

Results Day

- Most Clearing activity happens on results day
- Call universities directly or contact online
- Be prepared with backup choices
- Don't panic!





Student Finance



Tuition fee loan

- Available to all.
- Not dependent on family income.
- Repaid only when you finish or leave your course, and when income is over the repayment threshold.



Maintenance loan

- Covers living costs.
- Amount depends on where you live and on household income.
- Paid into your bank account in three instalments.
- Repaid only when you finish or leave your course, and when income is over the repayment threshold.



For a course that starts in September 2024, the student finance application form opens March 2024 and the deadline is in May 2025.

- The earlier you apply the better
- You don't want a delay in receiving your maintenance loan if you need to pay for rent, bills etc.
- You do not need a confirmed place to apply.



Scholarships

- Linked to academic results or achievement.
- Can be subject specific.
- Usually have limited availability.





Bursaries

- Linked to **personal circumstances** & household income.
- Take the form of discounted accommodation, tuition fees, or financial aid.
- **Share your circumstances** with the university **so they can support you**.



NHS Training Grant

- Minimum of £5,000 per year.
- For Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedic Science, Physiotherapy, and Occupational Therapy.
- Non-repayable and non-means tested grant.
- In addition to existing student finance support - *does not replace the maintenance loan*.



DSA

- Students can get up to £25,575 a year for support including:
 - specialist equipment
 - non-medical helpers
 - extra travel
 - other disability-related study support.
- Processed by SFE.

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