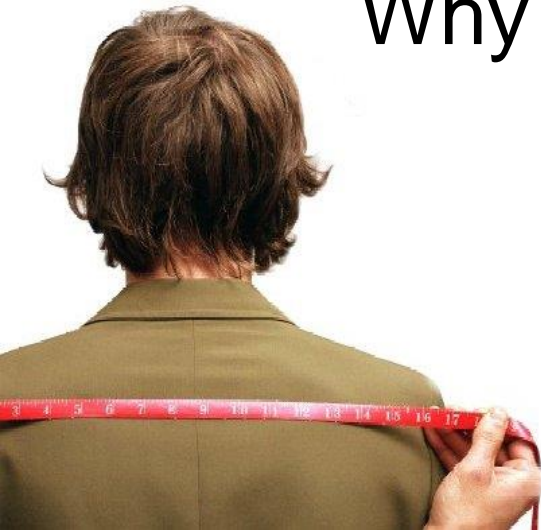


THE PATH TO UCAS SUCCESS 2016-17

Why you should consider applying
to university!



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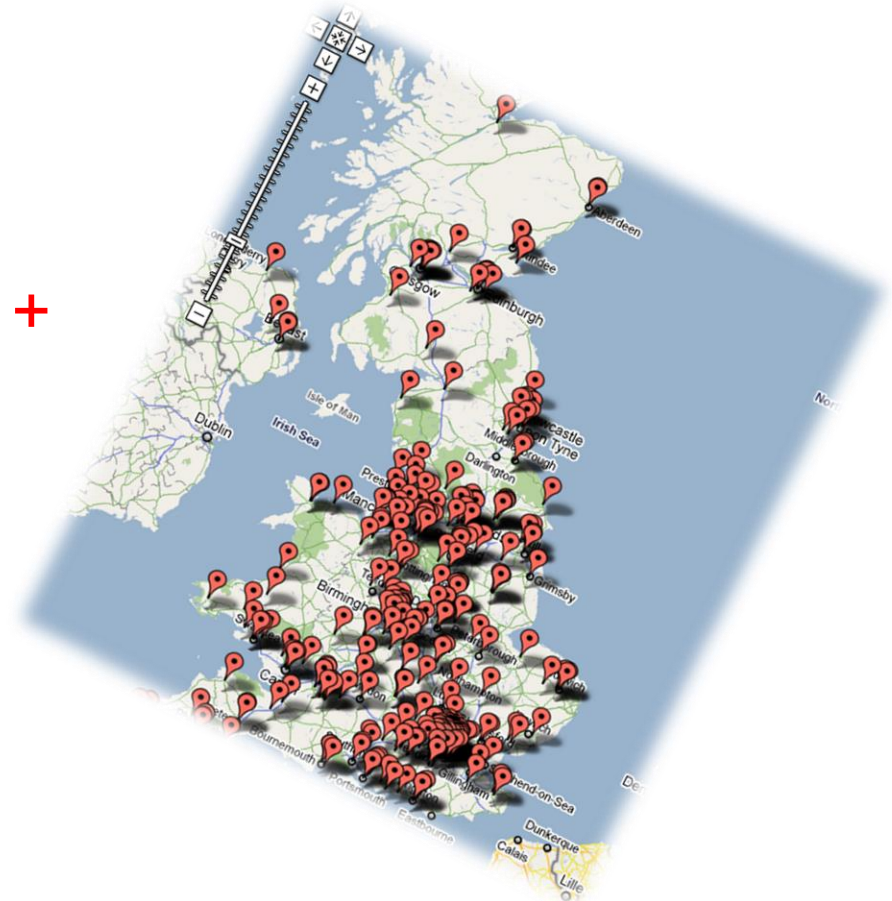
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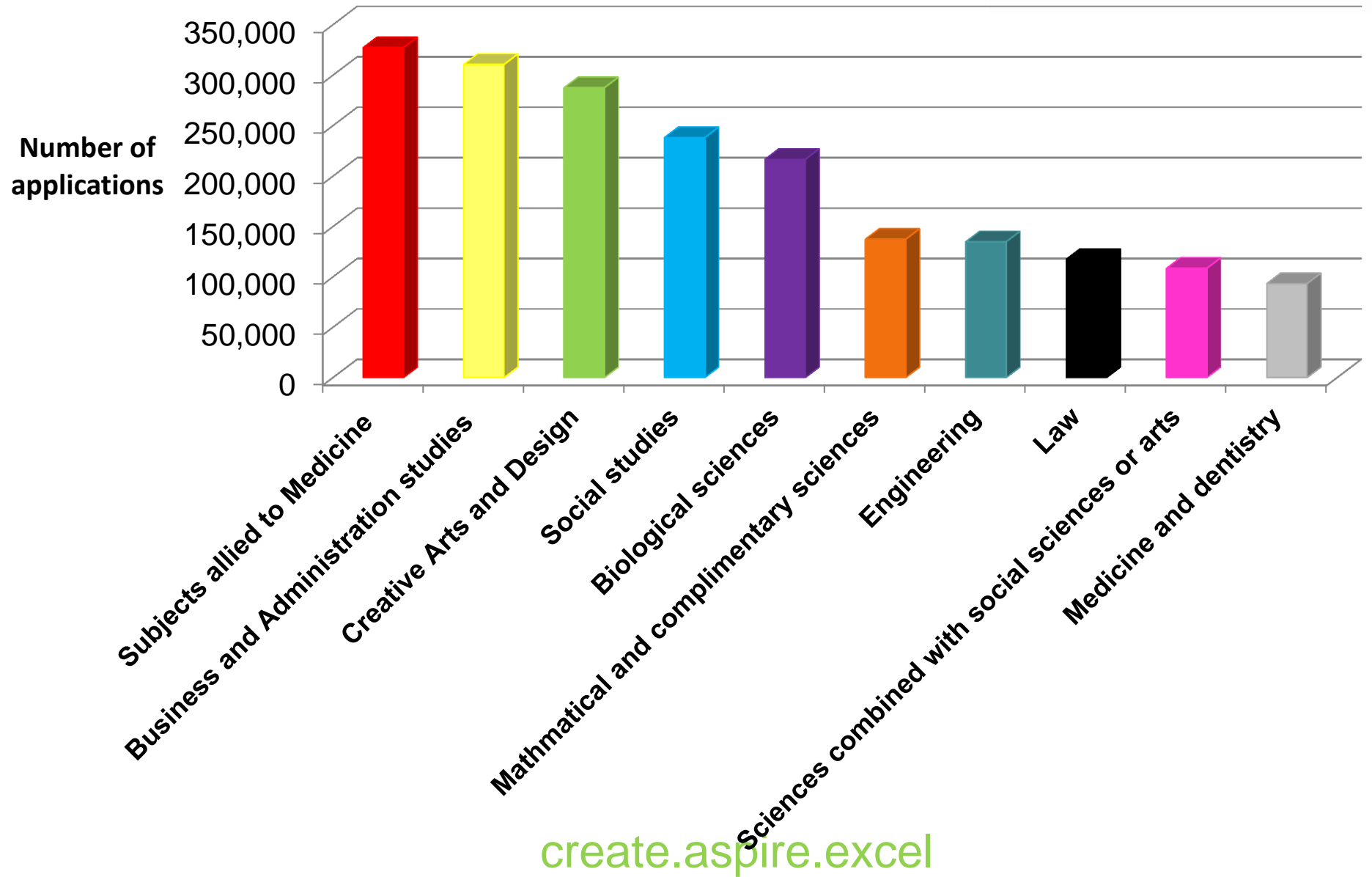
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UCAS is the provider of higher education in the UK

- Number of institutions **304**
- Number of courses **40,000 +**
- Applicants in 2015-16
688,310
- Acceptances in 2015-16
479,057



Applicants per subject area 2015 - 16



After summer exams are over

1). Research – prospectuses/family and friends/connexions/unitasterdays.com/students that are studying and graduates. The Guardian league table, Brian Heap, the many prospectuses available in the sixth form area. Don't forget the UCAS website – students' section **and** parents' section!

Check out www.universitycompare.com **or** www.ukuniversitysearch.com - a new website which enables our year 12 and 13 students to find their perfect university course.



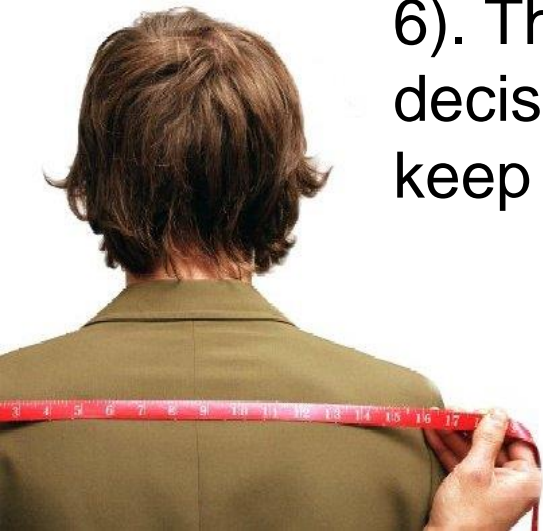
- 2). Create a shortlist – five choices maximum.
- 3). Go to Open Days – three days allowed off timetable – or go on Saturdays and Sundays
www.universityopendays.com
- 4). When the application is ready, including personal statement and reference from the Director of Sixth Form, UCAS send out copies to the chosen Unis – except for Route B, Art and Design students. The universities do not know your other choices!

Chiltern Hills deadline – **15th December 2016**



5). Their decision making time varies. Occasionally they ask for an interview or an admissions test, or both! Photography, Art and Design students might need a portfolio. Doctors, dentist and vets apply by 15th October, as indeed those aiming for the top of the tree and want to go to Oxford or Cambridge.

6). The university finally informs UCAS of their decision and UCAS notifies the applicant, who can keep track of the process through TRACK.



7). When offered a place, UCAS send a letter to the applicant explaining how to reply. Applicants can make a FIRM acceptance – if it is conditional on results then the applicant can accept a second or insurance offer. However, if the offer is unconditional then the applicant is committed!

8). EXTRA – if applicants are unsuccessful with all five choices then they can still use this service to find any places that have not been taken up yet
P.S. – you need to pay for your application. This must be carried out online before the application is sent.

9). July 2017 – update of fees information posted on UCAS website.

10). Thursday 17th August 2017 - now open that envelope on results day and toast your success.....

If not then try Clearing – get on the phone and find out about places that have become available. There is a five day adjustment period if your results are better than expected!

If you are sitting there thoroughly confused – don't panic. www.ucas.com is a fantastic website.

