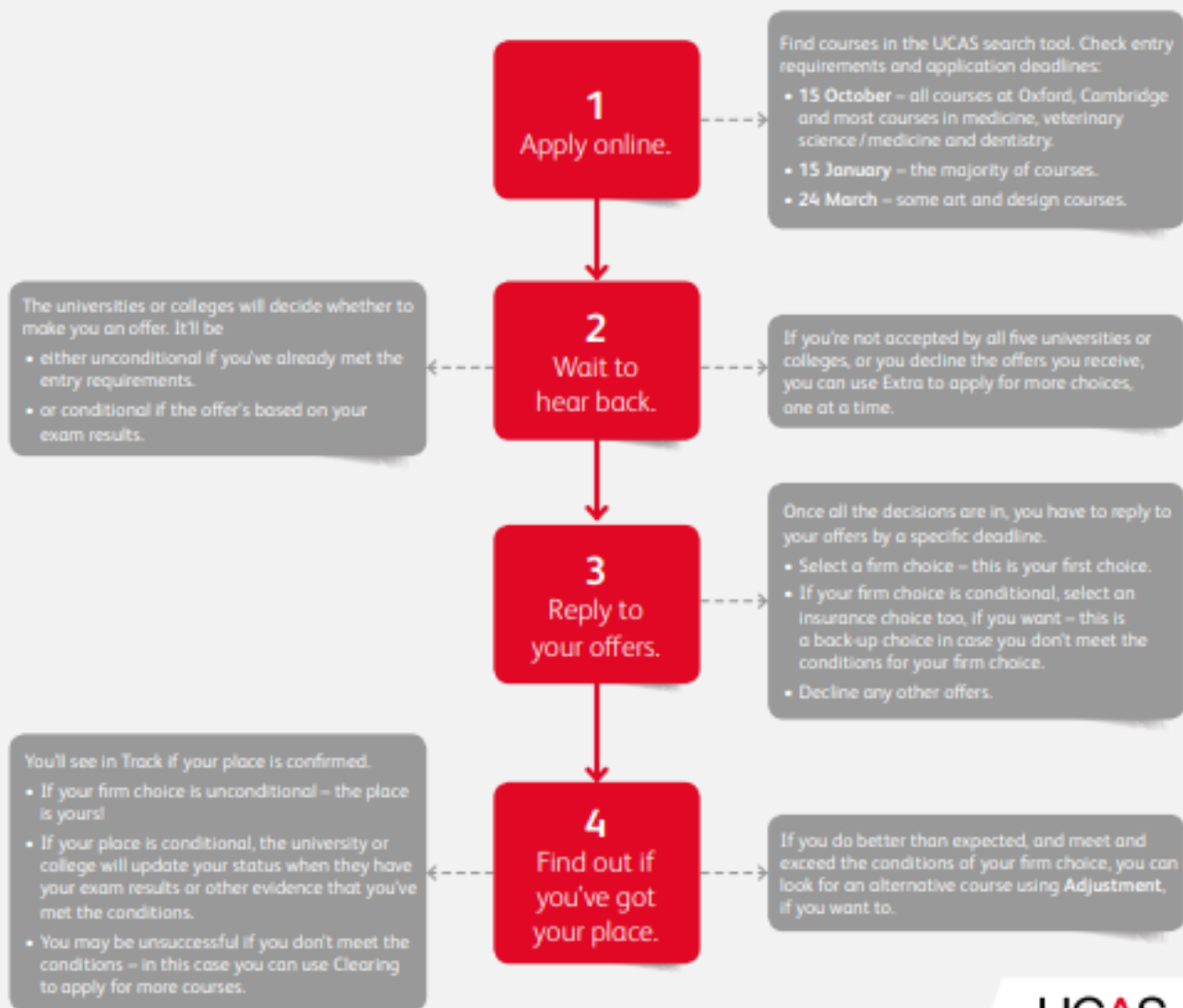


# Application to UK universities

# UCAS Cycle 2021



# How it works: applying to a UK university or college



# Key Information

## Buzzword for ACJC applicants: **TBIYTB2021**

<http://tinyurl.com/ACJC-prelim-oxbridge-form>



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# IMPACT OF COVID-19 Q&A

- <https://www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-resources-and-training/international-teachers-and-advisers-conference-2020/impact-covid-19-qa>
- <https://www.ucas.com/coronavirus>



# Writing a Personal Statement



# Personal Statement

## **What is a personal statement?**

- Introduction of academic interest and career interest
- Shows the applicant's suitability for the desired course.
- Sent to all UCAS choices of an applicant

## **Writing style**

- Prose
- 'Enthusiastic, concise and natural style of writing' – no casual or complex style of writing



# Personal Statement

## **Contents of a Personal Statement**

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- 20% - CCAs, hobbies



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## **Academic interest & Career ambition**

- Why you are interested in this course
- What career plans you have that are related to this course
- What you have done to further this interest

(TIP: The Admissions tutors read Personal Statements to ‘look for evidence of your commitment and ability’)

Taken from <http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/applying-to-oxford/ucas-application/writing-your-personal-statement>





# Personal Statement

## **Contents of a Personal Statement**

- 20% - CCAs, hobbies

### **CCAs & Hobbies**

- 20% or less of the essay
- Personal qualities that you have developed which make you suitable for this course
- Hobbies that have enhanced your interest in the course



# Personal Statement

## **Suggested structure of the Personal Statement**

- Introduction – start with an opening sentence that encourages the reader to read on
- Structure what you want to include in an order that's most relevant to what the unis are looking for
- Conclusion – reinforce your commitment, enthusiasm and skills suited to uni life

Taken from

<https://www.ucas.com/file/4251/download?token=KIC9IMgH>



## PS - Introduction

- Objective: Serves as a hook that interests the Admissions tutor to read more about you
- Avoid the top three most common opening lines

*The most common opening lines used in UCAS personal statements are:*

- 1. From a young age I have (always) been [interested in/fascinated by]... [1,779]*
- 2. For as long as I can remember I have... [1,451]*
- 3. I am applying for this course because... [1,370]*

Taken from <https://www.ucas.com/corporate/news-and-key-documents/news/ucas-shares-most-frequently-used-opening-lines-university>



# PS – Contents of essay

- Objective: Present the relevant abilities / skills / interests / reflections that show your suitability for the course
- Apply the ABC Rule (next slide)

## Example

- Skills of independent research, independent projects
- Exceptional ability in the subject
- Extended study beyond the syllabus
- Insights / reflections / beliefs about the related profession



# PS – Contents of essay

## The **ABC Rule** for personal statement writing

- **Action** = Explain what you have done, achieved, read or experienced
- **Benefit** = Reflect on what you have learned or gained from it, or what you think about it (capacity for critical thought)
- **Course relevance** = Make sure it's relevant to your suitability for desired course
- Taken from <https://university.which.co.uk/advice/personal-statements/personal-statement-checklist-2-how-to-get-writing>



# PS – Contents of essay

DO

Consistently scoring above 98 percentile in Math examinations in school (A), I look for other opportunities that test my ability in the subject. My year-long project is to read *A Concise Introduction to Pure Mathematics*. (A) While it was challenging to undertake this self-study of the undergraduate textbook (B), I enjoyed the intellectual stimulation (B) of mathematical derivations and theories presented in the book. I came to realise that I will find the same fulfilment by taking on the study of Mathematics at university. (B & C)



# PS – Contents of essay

## DON'T

I excel in Mathematics in school as I have maintained good grades in the J1 Term Exams, J1 Promotional Exams, J2 Term Exams and J2 Preliminary Exams. I have also obtained Distinction in the Senior Category of the Australian Mathematics Competition and rank at the 98% percentile in the Caribou Competition. To further my interest in Math I read an undergraduate textbook in my free time to prepare for undergraduate studies.



# PS – Contents of essay

## **Example – Skills of independent research, independent projects**

Write about

- Additional (and substantial) studies
  - Mathematics - Self study of a university level Mathematics textbook
  - English Literature - Comparison of women's literature in America and Asia in the 19<sup>th</sup> century
- Additional projects
  - Computing - Writing a software that solves chemical structure elucidation problems
  - Engineering – electrical products that you repair at home





# PS – Contents of essay

## **Example – Exceptional ability in the subject**

Write about

- Consistently high percentile ranking in the subject
- External competitions and top prizes / ranking achieved
- Initiating / leading peer discussion sessions in your (related) pet subject



# PS – Contents of essay

## **Example – Extended study beyond the syllabus**

Write about

- VALID critique of the subject that you might have discussed with your teacher / carried out independent study on
  - Chemistry – How you realised the insufficiency of VSEPR Theory and what you learnt in Valence Bond Theory and Molecular Orbital Theory
  - History – How/ why you might have taken an interest in the history of Singapore before the arrival of Raffles, what you learnt upon further reading / reflections
- Do not regurgitate your H3 syllabus / research paper



# PS – Contents of essay

## **Example – Insights / reflections / beliefs about the related profession**

- Most relevant to courses that lead to a professional degree such as Law, Medicine, Dentistry
- Advantageous to have gone for job experience in the related profession

Write about

- Insights about the challenges that you might face in the profession + reflections on what you think about it now
- Why the profession is meaningful to you
- Your values that are related to this profession



# PS – Contents of essay

## **Example – Insights / reflections / beliefs about the related profession**

- TIP: If you want to write something that may seem cliché, make the experience your own by writing about how you came to the conclusion
- *‘Medicine has always been a part of my life and I am exhilarated that the chance for it to play a new and different role in my life has finally arrived. In the seventeen years since my sister's first surgery, I have learnt that love alone is not enough to heal a heart and I am eagerly awaiting the chance to learn the rest.’*



# PS - Conclusion

Reiterate one of these

- The most important traits that you want to be known for
- Your commitment about undergraduate studies
- Your future career



# PS – Admin & Technical matters

- Character limit: 4000 characters and 47 lines (including spaces and blank lines)
- Type and save on a Google Doc. Copy it onto UCAS
- Keep the Personal Statement and re-read it if you need to go for an interview



# Personal Statement – Do's and Don'ts

## DO's

- Apply for a course you really want to study.
- Be yourself: tell the truth about your interests.
- Sell yourself: this is not the time for modesty.
- Reread your personal statement before an interview – the tutors will.
- Check your grammar, spelling and punctuation
- Get feedback – ask family / friends to read

## DON'T

- Be tempted to make anything up, as you might be asked about it at interview.
- Copy anyone else's personal statement. UCAS uses plagiarism detection software.
- List qualifications like your GCSE grades or anything else that's covered elsewhere on the application.
- Just list your other achievements: you need to evaluate them.
- Feel the need to be dramatic in order to be memorable.



# PS – Useful Articles

1. *How to make your personal statement stand out - as told by admissions tutors*, Which University, <https://university.which.co.uk/advice/personal-statements/how-to-make-your-personal-statement-stand-out-as-told-by-admissions-tutors>
2. *How to write a great UCAS personal statement for university*, The Telegraph, <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/0/how-to-write-a-great-ucas-personal-statement-for-university/>
3. *10 things NOT to put in your personal statement*, Which University, <https://university.which.co.uk/advice/personal-statements/10-things-not-to-put-in-your-personal-statement>
4. *10 more things NOT to put in your personal statement*, Which University, <https://university.which.co.uk/advice/personal-statements/your-ucas-personal-statement-10-more-things-not-to-put-in>





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# Application Deadlines

## Roles and responsibilities

1. By the ACJC Internal deadline
  - **Applicants** must complete the application form and pay for the application.
  - **Teacher Referees** must complete the reference letter and fill in predicted grades.
2. Between the 2 deadlines – HECG dept will vet the forms and contact students and teachers about any necessary changes.
3. By the UCAS Official deadline – HECG dept will submit the vetted and edited application form and reference letter with predicted grades to UCAS.



# Identify a Suitable Teacher Referee

- The teacher referee needs to write about your ability in a subject that is related to your university course.
- Please approach a subject tutor of one of the subject requirements for the university course
- E.g. Computer Science

## Course requirements

No prior knowledge of programming is required.

### Computer Science

**Required by all Colleges:** A Level/IB Higher Level Mathematics

**Required by some Colleges:** A Level/IB Higher Level in a second or three science/mathematics subjects and/or particular subjects

Request for your Math tutor to write the recommendation letter

## Course requirements

**Required by all Colleges:** no specific subjects

**Useful preparation:** An essay-based subject

Request for your tutor of an essay-based subject (Geog, Hist, ELit, GP/KI, Econs) to write the recommendation letter



# Request for References and Predicted Grades

(It is the applicants' responsibility to communicate to FTs and your desired Teacher Referee about what is required for the UCAS application)

- Make a request to your FT(s) to collate your predicted grades from your subject tutors. Let your FT know who your Teacher Referee is; your FT will send the predicted grades to your teacher referee.
- Your Teacher Referee will enter the predicted grades on UCAS.
- In the entire process, you will not be told of your predicted grades.

*TIP: Let your FT and Teacher Referee know the application deadlines so that the predicted grades will be submitted punctually!*

*You MUST send an email to [lee\\_minwei@acjc.edu.sg](mailto:lee_minwei@acjc.edu.sg) to indicate the name of your teacher referee.*



## IMPORTANT:

You are responsible for finding out if your desired courses of study require admission tests.

It is also your responsibility to find out *when* these admission tests occur, *register* for them promptly and *take* the tests.



# Admissions tests

## LNAT, The Law National Aptitude Test

- <https://lnat.ac.uk/>
- For selected Law courses in
  - Cambridge
  - Durham
  - Oxford
  - Nottingham
  - King's College London, University of London
- Registration begins on **1 Aug 2020**; Testing begins on 1 Sep 2020. Sit the LNat before or on 20 Jan 2020 (non-Oxford universities)
- Applicants must refer to LNat website to proceed with timely registration
- All fees to be made at applicants' cost

Refer to this if you wish to practise law in Singapore:

<http://www.sile.edu.sg/united-kingdom-approved-universities>



# Admissions tests

## BMAT, Biomedical Admissions Test

- Info for registration is available on RELC Singapore website <https://www.relc.org.sg/qualifications-certifications/admission-tests/bmat>
- For selected Medicine courses in
  - University of Cambridge
  - Imperial College London
  - University of Oxford
  - Royal Veterinary College
  - University College London
  - Brighton and Sussex Medical School
  - University of Leeds
- Registration begins on **1 Sep 2020**
- Testing TBA
- Applicants must refer to RELC Singapore's website to proceed with timely registration
- All fees to be made at applicants' cost

Refer to this website for approved medical degrees for Singapore practitioners:

<https://www.moh.gov.sg/docs/librariespro/vider5/default-document-library/annex.pdf>



# Admissions tests

## UCAT, University Clinical Aptitude Test

- Info for registration is available on UCAT Consortium's website <https://www.ucat.ac.uk/ucat/>
- Refer to list of universities here <https://www.ucat.ac.uk/ucat/universities/>
- Registration is open from now until **17 Sep 2020**
- Testing takes place from 3 Aug until 1 Oct 2020
- Applicants must refer to UCAT's website to proceed with timely registration
- All fees to be made at applicants' cost





# Admissions tests

## University of Cambridge Pre-Interview Assessments

- Needed for most courses at Cambridge. More info at <http://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/applying/admission-assessments>
- Info for registration is available on RELC Singapore website <https://www.relc.org.sg/qualifications-certifications/admission-tests/cambridge-preinterview-assessments>
- Registration typically begins on **1 Sep 2020 and ends on 15 Oct 2020**.  
As of 9 July, it is still TBA
- Applicants must refer to RELC Singapore's website to proceed with timely registration
- All fees to be made at applicants' cost



# Admissions tests

## Admission Testing for University of Oxford, incl. Thinking Skills Assessment (TSA)

- Needed for several courses at Oxford. More info at <https://www.admissionstesting.org/for-test-takers/oxford-tests/>
- Refer to list of tests on <https://www.relc.org.sg/qualifications-certifications/admission-tests/oat-oxford-admission-tests>
- Registration period varies but many typically begin in **Sep 2020**; Testing in late Oct 2020. As of 9 July, it is still TBA
- Applicants must refer to RELC Singapore's website to proceed with timely registration
- All fees to be made at applicants' cost



# Guidelines for UCAS Application Form

## 1. Apply Through school / college

- The Buzzword to apply as an ACJC student is **TBIYTB2021**

## 2. Fill up all fields that are applicable to you

- E.g. Passport details, full contact details such as mailing address, full name of all GCE O level subjects

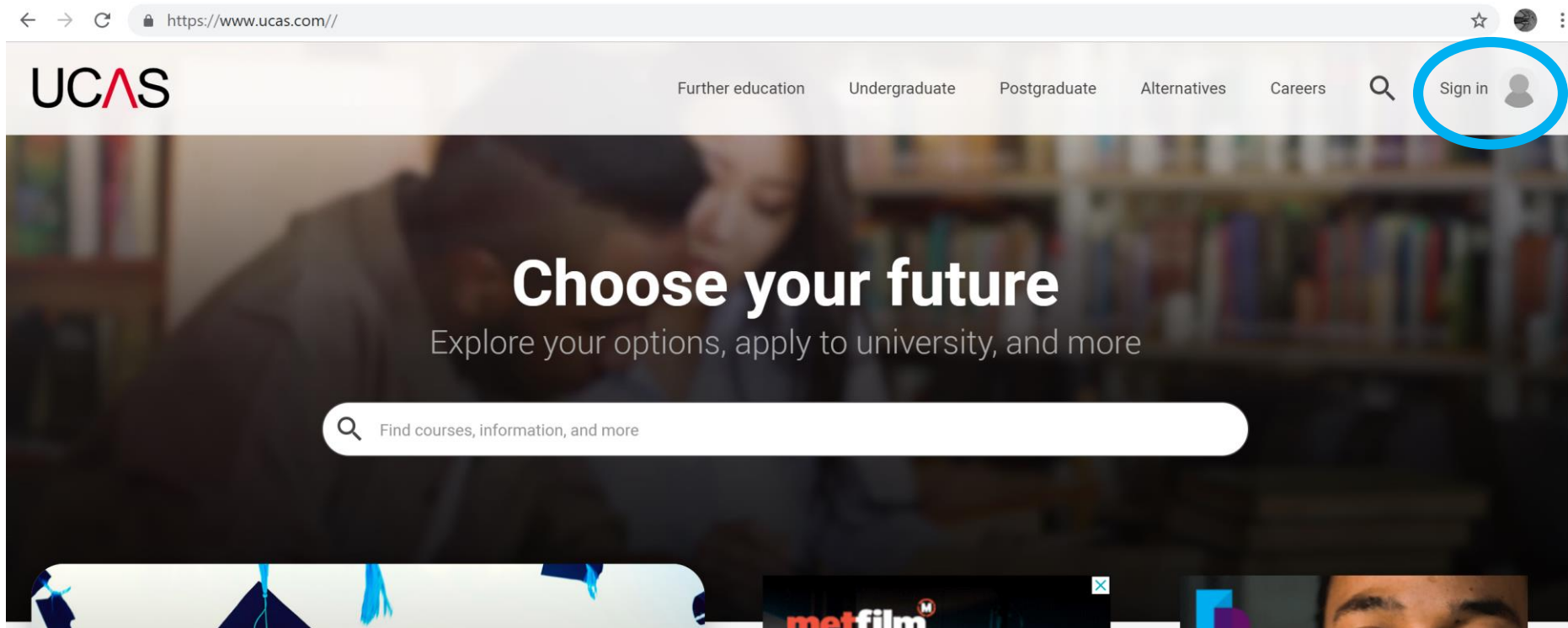


# Guidelines for UCAS Application Form

3. Fields that are not applicable can be left blank
  - E.g. Unique Learner Number, Dual citizenship
4. For foreign students - The contact details provided must allow the university to contact you between Jan to Aug 2020
  - E.g. Address and contact number in home country, email domains that are accessible in your home country



- Website: [www.ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com/)
- Click on **Sign in**
- At the drop down list, click on **Student**



- Click on **Undergraduate** and **Apply for 2021 entry**

← → ↻ [ucas.com/students](https://ucas.com/students)

# Undergraduate

Applying for university and college degree courses

## 2020 entry

Use Track to check the progress of your submitted application.

[Apply](#)

[Track](#)

[Hub](#)

## 2021 entry

Apply now for 2021 entry. Please note, UCAS Track for 2021 entry will not be available until September 2020.

Get your UCAS Hub. Your place to discover your options and research your future.

[Apply](#)

[Hub and Hub Live events](#)

► What's this?



- Click on **register**

[Home](#) > Register and log in

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## Log in

If you have already registered, please enter your username and password below to log in. **You must enter your username in lower case and your password in the same case you used to register.**

Username

Password

[Forgotten login?](#)

**log in**

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## Register

If you have not registered for 2021 entry, please click the 'register' button to use this service. **You only need to register once.** If you apply more than once in a cycle your application fee will not be refunded.

**register**

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- Read the terms and conditions.
- Click **Next**, tick a box and then **Next** again.

[Home](#) > Register



You need to register before you can start your application. This is free and will take approximately 15 minutes.

If you apply more than once for the same year of entry, your application fee will not be refunded. If you have already registered but cannot remember your details, please use the 'forgotten login' link on the [sign in](#) screen.

If you are applying through a school, college or centre, you will be asked to enter their [buzzword](#) provided by them, so please have this available. This will allow your school, college or centre to support you through the UCAS application process. They will be able to see and check the progress of your application, attach a reference, add predicted grades, and send your application to UCAS on your behalf. They will also be able to see decisions made by your chosen universities and colleges, and your replies.

If you are not applying through a school, college or centre, you can apply as an individual applicant.

Once you have registered, a username will be automatically generated and you will be asked to create a password. **Please make a note of these details as you will need them to sign in to your application later.**

You can find more information about [applying](#) on [ucas.com](#).

[Help](#) text is available throughout each section.





- Fill in the required information.

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[Home](#) > Register

Progress

**Compulsory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).**

Title\*  ?

Gender\*  ?

**Please enter your name as it is stated on official documents, such as your passport, birth certificate or driving licence.**

First/given name(s)\*  ?

Surname/family name\*  ?

Date of birth\*    ?

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- Select **Non UK / International** postal address
- Click **Next**

[Home](#) > Register



Where is your postal address?\*

UK



Non UK/International



British Forces Post Office (BFPO)



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next



- Fill in your **FULL postal address**

(This must be one where you can receive mail between Dec 2020 – Aug 2021. Offer letters and admission packages may be sent to this address.)

- Click **Next**

Home > Register



Compulsory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).

Postal address\*



Country\*



- Make sure you are contactable at the given email and phone numbers between Dec 2020 – Aug 2021

[Home](#) > Register



Compulsory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).

Postal address\*

*(Your postal address here)*

Home telephone number

Mobile number

Email address\*

Confirm email address\*

### Keep up-to date with your application

To make sure you've got everything you need for your journey to higher education, we'll ask you to tell us how you'd like to get your updates.

We'll keep you updated on the progress of your application — from deadline reminders to Track updates — by email and post.

### We won't pass on your details...

We'll keep your data safe, and won't pass it on to third parties, but you can update your preferences at any time in the 'Your details' section of Track. For more information, take a look at our [privacy policy](#).

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*You'll indicate your preferences for updates from UCAS in a pop-up window after you click 'Next'. Click 'Save' when you're done.*



- Create your password and security questions / answers.

[Home](#) > Register

Progress

Please enter a password and choose 4 unique security questions together with their appropriate answers. Please do not choose answers which might cause offence.

Compulsory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).

Your password must:

- be at least eight characters long
- have at least one lowercase letter (a—z) and one uppercase letter (A—Z)
- contain at least one number (0—9)
- use at least one special character, such as: % \$ & @ \* ! ?

Our [guidance](#) will help you choose a secure password.

Please make a note of your password now, as it will not be displayed at a later stage.

Password\*  ?

Confirm password\*  ?

It is important that you can remember the answers to your security questions and that they cannot be easily guessed by others. If you lose or forget your password you will be asked one or more of these security questions in order to identify you.

Security question 1\*  ▼ ?

Your answer\*  ?

Security question 2\*  ▼ ?

Your answer\*  ?

Security question 3\*  ▼ ?

Your answer\*  ?

Security question 4\*  ▼ ?

Your answer\*  ?

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- Take note of your username and proceed to log in.

Home > Register



Your username is **mlee17**

**Please make a note of your username now, as it will not be displayed at a later stage.**

Keep your username and password safe as you will need both each time you access your application.

Your registration has been successful. If you wish you may now enter the Apply service or come back another time. If necessary, you can change any of your registration details once you have entered Apply.

**log in now** **go to UCAS homepage**



- IMPORTANT: Click on **Through my school/college**
- (This is the easiest way to get your teacher to submit a reference about you.)

Initial UCAS questions

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**How are you applying?\***

Through my school/college



Through a careers organisation



Through another organisation



As an individual



next



- The Buzzword for ACJC applicants is **TBIYTB2021**

Initial UCAS questions

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You need to enter your buzzword on this page. If you do not know the buzzword, your tutor or careers adviser will give this to you. You will only need to enter your buzzword at this stage and then it will no longer be needed.

(Buzzwords are case sensitive and should be entered exactly as supplied.)

Buzzword\*

TBIYTB2021



Your buzzword should have been given to you by your tutor or careers adviser. This is very important, as it helps us establish which organisation you're applying from. It also enables your referee to attach your reference and send your application to us once all parts are complete. By entering your buzzword, you give your permission for your school, college, careers centre, or other organisation to access and view the progress of your application.

If you wish to withdraw your request to link to a centre, so you can add a reference from a different source, or if you no longer want them to see the progress of your application, please call our Customer Experience Centre on 0371 468 0 468.

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- Verify information, click Yes and Next.

Initial UCAS questions

You are registering through...

Anglo-Chinese Junior College, Singapore  
25 Dover Close East

139745

...Is this correct?\*

Yes ☒ No ☐ 

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Take note of your personal ID so that you can quote the number should you require customer service / support. Verify your email address.

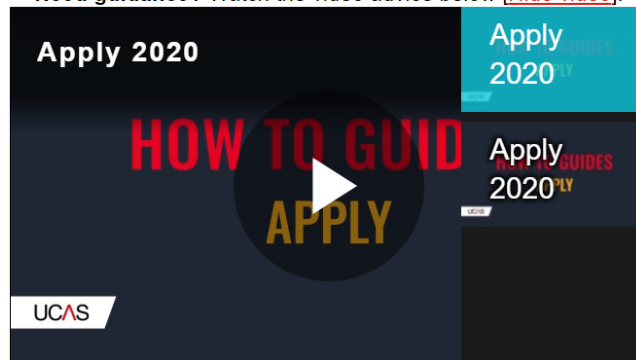
Welcome

Welcome Minwei,

Your Personal ID is:

Please make a note of this number and keep it handy. You will need to quote this number if you call our Customer Contact Centre.

Need guidance? Watch the video advice below [\[Hide video\]](#).



(Unable to view videos here? You can watch them at [www.ucas.com/connect/videos](http://www.ucas.com/connect/videos) instead)

**Verify your email address**  
Your email address needs to be verified as valid before you send your application to us.  
[Please click here to verify your email address](#)

Before starting your application, please read through the relevant information below regarding:

- [completing your application](#)
- [applicants applying through a school, college or organisation](#)
- [applicants applying as an individual](#)
- [deadlines for submitting your application.](#)

You should be able to select / indicate your form class.



## Reference numbers

- **ULN** is only applicable for students who have been studying in the UK. **Leave this blank.**
- Read the websites of your desired universities to find out if they need TOEFL / IELTS grades; most (but not all) UK universities do not need Singapore applicants to take these English exams.

### Reference numbers

If you do not have any of the following reference numbers, please leave the boxes blank.

Unique Learner Number (ULN)

?

Test of English as a Foreign Language  
(TOEFL) Number

?

International English Language Testing  
System (IELTS) TRF Number

?



# Passport details

- 1. Student visa – ‘Yes’ in majority of cases.
  - (Click on the question mark next to the field to find out the requirements for your individual situation)
- 2. Passport number, Issue date, Expiry date – **Fill up all three fields!**
  - (This is for the university to support your visa application in the situation where you accept a place at their uni.)

## Passport details

(This section only applies if your permanent home is outside the EU)

Where relevant, UCAS collects applicants' passport information on behalf of universities and colleges, who need it for purposes of visa application and checks with the UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI). For further details about UK Visas and Immigration please visit the [UKVI website](#).

Do you require a student visa? Yes

Have you previously studied in the UK on a student visa?\* No

Please check that the names you have provided at the top of this section match how they are stated on your passport.

Please enter the following details about your passport. If you have more than one passport, give the details of the passport you intend to use to enter the UK for the purpose of studying your course.

If you need a visa but don't yet have a valid passport, leave the sections below blank - we will ask you to provide the details once you have submitted your application and have received an offer of a place.

Passport number E1234567A

Issue date Day  Month  Year

Expiry date Day  Month  Year



## Student support

There are 3 possible Fee codes that you can select:

- **01 Private finance** – if your family is funding your university studies
- **90 International organisation** – if you have already been offered a scholarship for university studies (applicable to alumni)
- **99 Not known** – If you are planning to apply for / waiting for the outcome of scholarship applications.

### Student support

Fee code\*

99 Not known ▼



Student support arrangements

(This field is only available if you select fee code '02 UK, ChI, IoM or EU student finance services')

[see list](#)



Please answer the following questions about whether you and your family may have lived within the EU or EEA. The universities and colleges that you are applying to need this information to make a decision about the fees you may be charged and any scholarships, bursaries and financial support that may be available to you.

Have you ever lived or worked in the EU (excluding the UK), European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland? \*

No ▼



Do you have a parent, step parent, spouse or civil partner who is an EU (excluding the UK), EEA or Swiss national? \*

No ▼



## Nominated access

- This is not compulsory, so you may choose to leave it blank.
- If you wish to nominate someone, it should be someone who can make a decision about your university options on your behalf.

### Nominated access

You can choose to nominate someone, eg parent/guardian/adviser, who can discuss your application with us and the universities if you are unavailable.

Full name of nominee



Relationship to you



## Education section

Update the Education section with the names of

- 1) *Your secondary school(s)* and
- 2) 'Anglo-Chinese Junior College'

## Notes:

- Many Singapore secondary schools cannot be found on UCAS; You will need to click on '**find**' and opt to **enter the school name manually**.
- Refer to samples below – Take note of start and finish dates



# Sample for secondary school

Welcome	
Personal details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choices	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Statement	<input type="checkbox"/>
View all details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pay/Send	<input type="checkbox"/>
Help	
Options/Opsiynau	

## Key

- ☒ Completed
- ☐ In progress
- ☐ Not started
- ☐ Help

Welcome > Education > Where have you studied?

Compulsory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).  
Before leaving this page click 'save' to avoid losing any of your information.

School/college/centre name\*

Exam centre number

When did you start...\*

...and finish?\*

Attendance\* ☒ full-time ☐ part-time ☐ sandwich

Did you / will you receive any qualifications at this centre?\*





- Click on Add Qualifications.

> add new school/college/centre

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**Warning:**

Centre number has not been entered. If the search facility does not have a centre number you can leave it blank. The warning message will remain.

Commonwealth Secondary School (01/2015 – 12/2018, FT)

> edit

> remove

> add qualifications

- Use Search tool and click on ‘**Singapore-Cambridge GCE Ordinary Level**’

Welcome > Education > Choose qualification

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Please search for the qualification title, eg 'A level' and not the subject, eg 'chemistry'.

Overseas qualifications will be listed alphabetically under the name of the country they were taken in.

Search:

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Or select from the popular qualifications listed below

Popular qualifications

[GCE Advanced Level](#)

[GCE O Level](#)

[IELTS](#)

[TOEFL/TEFL](#)



- Fill in details and click Save and Add Similar to record grades for all GCE O Level subjects.

[Welcome](#) > [Education](#) > Enter Singapore-Cambridge GCE Ordinary Level

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## Singapore-Cambridge GCE Ordinary Level

Please enter details below, using the 'other' boxes only where the applicable option cannot be found in the lists provided.

Subject*	<input type="text"/>	<input data-bbox="1561 639 1615 688" type="button" value="?"/>
Qualification date*	<input type="text" value="Month"/> ▼ <input type="text" value="Year"/> ▼	<input data-bbox="1126 732 1180 781" type="button" value="?"/>
Awarding organisation*	<input type="text"/>	<input data-bbox="952 825 1006 873" type="button" value="?"/>
Grade	<input type="text"/>	<input data-bbox="1126 918 1180 966" type="button" value="?"/>

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## Education Section – O level Qualifications

1. Select '**Singapore-Cambridge GCE Ordinary Level**'
2. Type the title of your O level subjects, according to that shown on your O level certificate.
  - E.g. **English Language** (not English) and Literature in English (not English Literature)
3. Select / Enter the examination body for the subject:
  - **SEAB** – Mother Tongue languages and MT literature
  - **CIE** – English Language , subjects in arts, humanities, sciences, mathematics
  - **Various polytechnics** – ALP subjects
4. Enter the date of exams
  - **10/2017** – For MTL taken in sec 3
  - **10/2018** – For all subjects taken in Sec 4
5. Enter the grades as **A1, A2, B3, B4 etc.**, not A, B, C



- Sample for JC.
- Repeat same steps for entering subjects at ‘**Singapore-Cambridge GCE Advanced Level (NEW-first award 2006)**’

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Personal details	<input type="checkbox"/>
Choices	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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#### Key

- ☒ Completed
- ☒ In progress
- ☐ Not started
- ☐ Help

Welcome > Education > Where have you studied?

**Compulsory fields are marked with an asterisk (\*).**  
**Before leaving this page click 'save' to avoid losing any of your information.**

School/college/centre name*	Anglo-Chinese Junior College, Singapore	find...	?
Exam centre number	S3004		?
When did you start...*	February	2019	?
...and finish?*	December	2020	?
Attendance*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> full-time <input type="radio"/> part-time <input type="radio"/> sandwich         ?		
Did you / will you receive any qualifications at this centre?*	Yes		?
<input type="button" value="save"/> <input type="button" value="cancel"/>			



## Education Section – A level Qualifications

1. Select '**Singapore-Cambridge GCE Advanced Level (NEW-first award 2006)**'
2. Select your A level subject and H1/H2/H3 level from the drop down lists
3. Select / Enter the examination body for the subject:
  - **SEAB** – Project Work, Mother Tongue languages and MT literature, General Studies in Chinese
  - **SEAB-CIE** – GP/KI, subjects in arts, humanities, sciences, mathematics (in H1/H2/H3)
  - **NUS, NTU, SMU** – relevant H3 subjects, e.g. H3 Linear Algebra
4. Enter the date of exams and grade awarded
  - **11/2019** – PW and H1 MTL (enter the grade awarded)
  - **05/2020** – H3 taken at local universities (enter the grade as Pending)
  - **11/2020** – GP/KI and other H2/H3 subjects (enter the grade as Pending)



# Education Section – A level Qualifications

## Sample of A level qualifications

> edit

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Anglo-Chinese Junior College, Singapore (S3004, 01/2016 - 12/2017, FT)

Singapore-Cambridge GCE Advanced Level (NEW-first award 2006)

<u>Biology</u>		11/2017	SEAB-CI	H2
<u>English Language &amp; Linguistics</u>		11/2017	SEAB-CI	H2
<u>General Paper</u>		11/2017	SEAB-CI	H1
<u>Literature in English</u>		11/2017	SEAB-CI	H2
<u>NUS Biodiversity</u>		11/2017	NUS	H3
<u>Mother Tongue (Chinese)</u>	A	11/2016	SEAB	H1
<u>Project Work</u>	A	11/2016	SEAB	H1

> add Singapore-Cambridge GCE Advanced Level (NEW-first award 2006)

> add qualifications

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# Education Section – O level Qualifications

## Sample of O level qualifications

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### Singapore-Cambridge GCE Ordinary Level

<u>Additional Mathematics</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE
<u>Chemistry</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE
<u>Chinese Language</u>	A1	10/2015	SEAB
<u>Combined Humanities</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE
<u>English Language</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE
<u>Literature in English</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE
<u>Mathematics</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE
<u>Physics</u>	A1	10/2015	CIE

> add Singapore-Cambridge GCE Ordinary Level

> add qualifications



## Education Section – Highest level of qualifications

Select 'Below honours degree level qualification'

Please state the highest level of qualification you expect to have before you start your course\*

⚠ Please select the highest level of qualification you expect to have before you start your course.

Below honours degree level qualifications ▼



☒ section completed

**save**





# Choices

What you need to know:

- Maximum of 5 choices, but not necessary to fill up all 5
- No order of priority / preference
- Each university will not know of your other options
- All 5 choices will receive the same personal statement
- **Medicine applicants: UCAS allows a maximum of 4 medicine courses, the fifth choice must be non-medical but can be related e.g. biomedical engineering**

**Implication: Write about your interest in ONE subject area / career in the personal statement → Apply for courses related to that subject / career**



# Oxbridge applications



# ACJC Oxbridge Preliminary Application Form and further support for applicants

1. Fill in the online ACJC Oxbridge Preliminary Application Form <http://tinyurl.com/ACJC-prelim-oxbridge-form> by 10 August 2020, 1800.
2. Submit your Personal Statement by email for vetting
  - By 10 August 2020, 1800
  - Arts, Humanities, Social sciences (incl. Econs), Law – Ms Lee Minwei, [lee\\_minwei@acjc.edu.sg](mailto:lee_minwei@acjc.edu.sg)
  - Science, IT, Engineering, Math, Medicine, Accounting, Business – Miss So Zhao Ying [so\\_zhao\\_ying@acjc.edu.sg](mailto:so_zhao_ying@acjc.edu.sg)
3. Interview Preparation
  - All Oxbridge applicants will be offered an interview preparation slot in late September / early October. Details will be disseminated via email.



# Applying to University of Oxford

## Deadlines for an application to University of Oxford

1. 10 Aug 2020, 1800 (ACJC deadline) – ACJC Prelim Oxbridge application form <http://tinyurl.com/ACJC-prelim-oxbridge-form> & email PS for vetting
2. 12 Oct 2020, 1800 (ACJC deadline) - UCAS application and reference, by ACJC Internal Deadline
3. Refer to <http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/applying-to-oxford/guide> for more details.

## Timeline for Admission Test / Interview

1. Aug – Register for LNAT (Law applicants). Sit the LNAT on or before 20 October 2020.
2. 1 Sep to 30 Sep – Register for admission tests (on RELC website)
3. Early Nov – Admission tests
4. Nov to Dec – Skype interview



# Applying to University of Cambridge

## Deadlines for an application to University of Cambridge

1. 10 Aug 2020, 1800 (ACJC deadline) – ACJC Prelim Oxbridge application form <http://tinyurl.com/ACJC-prelim-oxbridge-form> & email PS for vetting
2. 18 Sep 2020, 1800 (ACJC deadline) - UCAS application and reference, by ACJC Internal Deadline
3. 20 Sep 2020, 6PM GMT (Official deadline) - Cambridge Online Preliminary Application (COPA)
4. 26 Sep 2020, 6PM GMT (Official deadline) - Supplementary Application Questionnaire (SAQ)
5. Refer to <https://www.undergraduate.study.cam.ac.uk/international-students/international-applications> for more details.

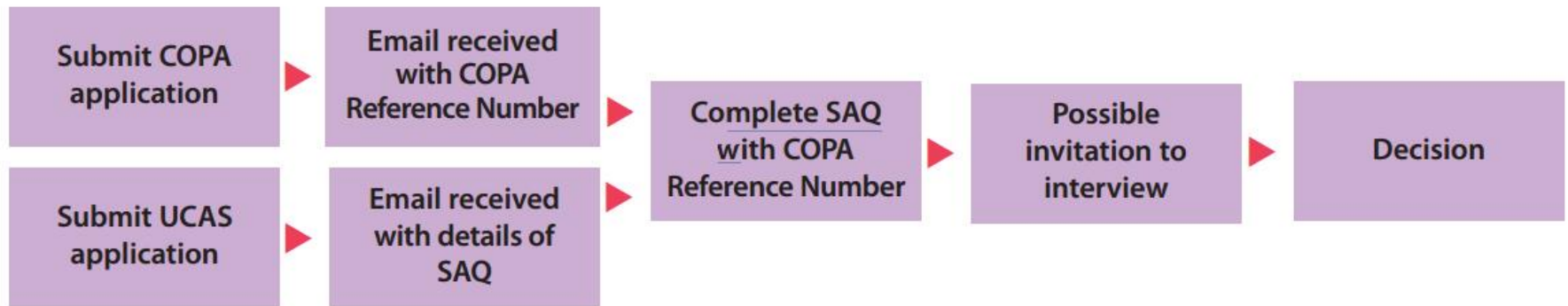
## Timeline for Admission Test / Interview

1. Aug – Register for LNAT (Law applicants)
2. 1 Sep to 30 Sep – Register for Cambridge Pre-Interview Assessments (at Singapore RELC website)
3. Late Oct / Early Nov – Interview
4. Early Nov – Cambridge Pre-Interview Assessments



# University of Cambridge

- ❖ Application fee for COPA is £30
- ❖ To be interviewed in Singapore, an overseas interview fee of £150 will be charged. Further information on this payment will be provided in the correspondence inviting you to attend an interview.



\*There is an overseas application fee associated with the COPA, as well as an interview fee for those who are interviewed overseas.

\*\*Please note that it may take up to 24hrs for the email to come through. Please check your email inbox regularly as well as your 'junk'/'spam' folder.



# COPA and Supplementary Application Questionnaire (SAQ)

- COPA asks for details of exam performance, some further personal information and the opportunity to write a Cambridge-specific personal statement
- It's very important that you also complete the SAQ after submitting your UCAS application – your application won't be valid unless you also submit a SAQ. A link to the SAQ will be sent to your inbox once your UCAS application is received. Once you've confirmed your identity, and entered your COPA Reference Number and your UCAS Personal ID in the boxes provided in Section 1 of the SAQ, you'll automatically be taken to Section 8 of the SAQ. You won't need to complete the rest of the SAQ questions as you'll already have answered them in the COPA.



# Cambridge - The application timeline

