

Post 16 Information Evening

17th September 2018

Routes to Higher Education

School → University

School → College → University

Timeline

Oxbridge / Medicine / Vet Med/Dentistry

- Monday 1st October - Applications paid and sent to PTG
- Monday 15th October – Application checked and sent to UCAS by PTG

Other Applications

- Monday 1st October - 1st draft of personal statement to be handed to PTG
- Friday 30th November – Reference sheet completed by class teachers and returned to PTGs
- Monday 3rd December - Applications paid and sent to PTG
- Tuesday 15th January - Application checked and sent to UCAS by PTG
- Application Fee - £24 (Single Course £18)

Mock Up

UCAS Apply 2019

The Personal Statement

Limit of 4000 characters and 47 lines

Advice on UCAS - <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-university/how-write-ucas-undergraduate-personal-statement>

What to write about

1. Why you are applying.
2. What makes you suitable.

How to write it

- Structure your information
- Write in an enthusiastic, concise and natural style
- Try to stand out
- Proofread

The Reference

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Reference gives universities/colleges an informed and academic assessment of an applicant's suitability for further study

Class teachers provide information to PTG about academic ability and also predict likely grades

Staff members provide information about other school commitments

Can include information from a relevant work experience placement

Funding – SAAS

Students Award agency Scotland - <http://www.saas.gov.uk/>

Pay fees for students in at Scottish universities and colleges

Students apply each year from end of May to end of June for the new academic year

Bursaries available for students of nursing and midwifery

Other students can also apply for a loan.

Students who have taken a route to university via college can receive funding for both courses

Can apply for 5 years of funding which would include a 'false start'

What can parents/carers do to help?

Visit universities – Open Days, Higher Ed Convention etc

Contact universities Admission Officers with any specific questions

Support with personal statement –proof read etc

Support with deadlines

Make sure they have a back up plan

Apply for SAAS