



Introduction to UCAS

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What should we be doing in year 12 to prepare for a university application.?

- ▶ Work hard – Year 12 performance count!
- ▶ Christmas onwards – start researching courses [useful links](#)
- ▶ University experiences [Events](#)
- ▶ Other relevant experiences (next slide)
- ▶ Summer term – open days

Examples of relevant experiences

- ▶ Do a Future Learn online course
- ▶ Help coach a team
- ▶ Learn a new sport
- ▶ Read some different books
- ▶ Help in an old people's home
- ▶ Join St Johns Ambulance
- ▶ Take up mentoring
- ▶ Work experience with a law firm
- ▶ Join the Royal Geographical Society
- ▶ Go to a university lecture about History
- ▶ Join the London Mathematical Society
- ▶ Help teach students struggling with Maths
- ▶ Make your own blog or vlog
- ▶ Go to the theatre
- ▶ Go to an exhibition
- ▶ Read a subject specific magazine such as Psychology Today.
- ▶ Go to university event that introduces you to law
- ▶ Work in a nursery for young children
- ▶ Go on a summer school at a university
- ▶ Run a homework club
- ▶ Apply for work experience at SKY television

UCAS Tariff

The following shows how A-Level grades are converted into tariff points for students starting their course in 2017:

AS	A2	UCAS Tariff Points
–	A*	56
–	A	48
–	B	40
–	C	32
–	D	24
A	–	20
B	E	16
C	–	12
D	–	10
E	–	6

Timeline

- ▶ Christmas – Year 12 – Introductory talk
- ▶ March (y12) – UCAS convention and DDD
- ▶ June/July – UCAS days in school
- ▶ July – Sussex University Visit
- ▶ Ongoing research and events

- ▶ Summer holidays – Personal statement drafting

- ▶ Autumn term – redrafting and completing applications

- ▶ School deadline – End of November