



Welcome to Varndean College University Information Evening



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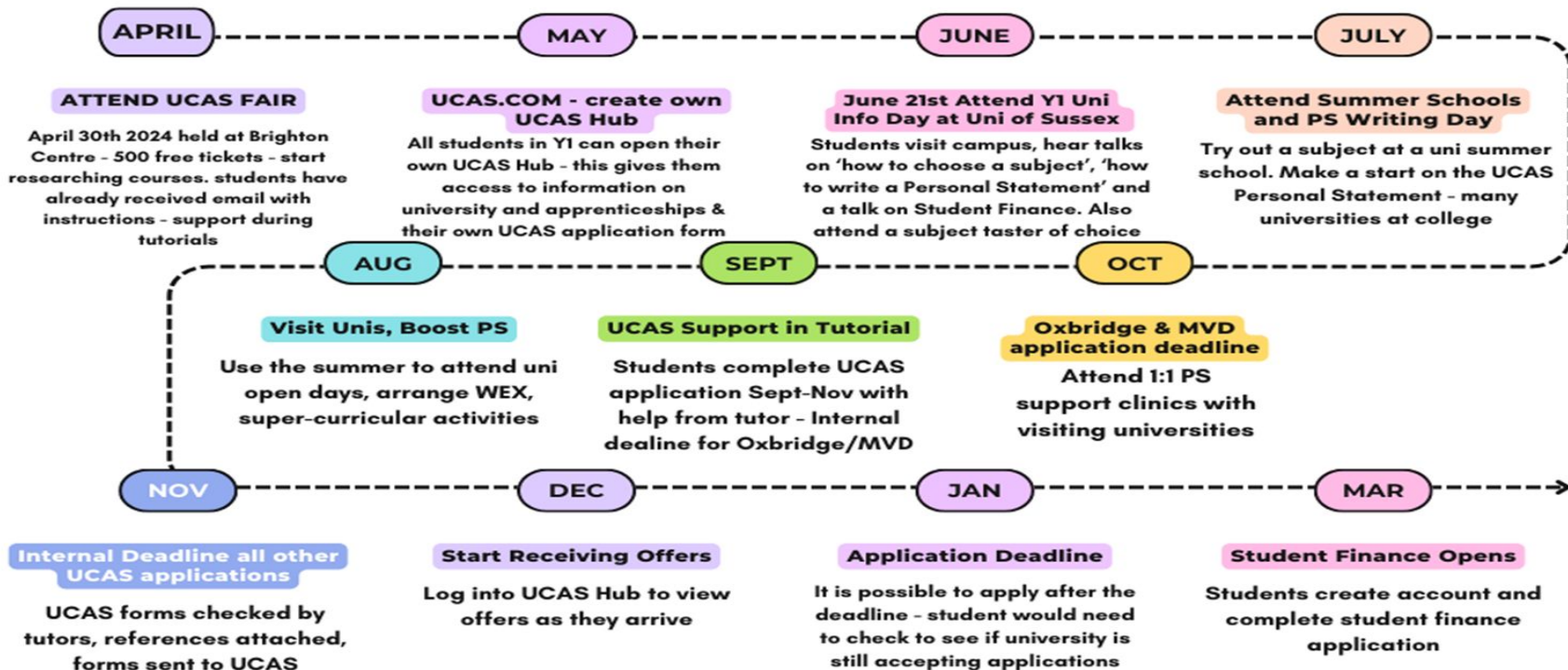
26th March 2024

Considering University? Where to get help...

- 1:1 Careers Appointment - individual, specific help**
- Tutorial Time - all UCAS information provided**
- Tutor 1:1 - UCAS support + check UCAS application**
- Unifrog - Available to all students**
- UCAS.com - everything higher education + more**
- University Programmes**
- In college and external events**

UCAS Timeline

Students can book an appointment with the Careers Team at any time to receive 1:1 support with decision making



UNIVERSITY - What to Consider

Is there a subject they really want to learn (more) about?

Are they good at self directed study?

Are they ready to 'spread their wings'?

Will they ask for help if they need it?

Does their career plan require a degree?

UNIVERSITY - Benefits

Dedicated time to explore their subject

**Stepping stone to further
academic/professional qualifications**

Lifelong friendships/contacts

**Exposure to industry relevant cutting edge
research**

**On average, earn more when starting work
and through working life**

How to Choose a Subject...

Are they open to discussing this with you?

**Do they actively want or need a gap year?
(check universities of interest allow a gap year - this usually depends on subject)**

Ask universities to send a prospectus - do a 'deselection' exercise together - it's easier to eliminate lots of subjects than pinpoint one

What topics fire them up at home?

How to Choose a Subject...cont.

Are there any particular modules/units/assignments they have enjoyed more than others?

Would they want to turn their hobby into a career if they could - expand on this idea?

Even if they are academically able, are they happier being more hands on?

What do they care about?

How to Choose a Subject...cont.

Listen to online subject lectures and webinars

Use student forums such as 'The Student Room' to hear what other students say

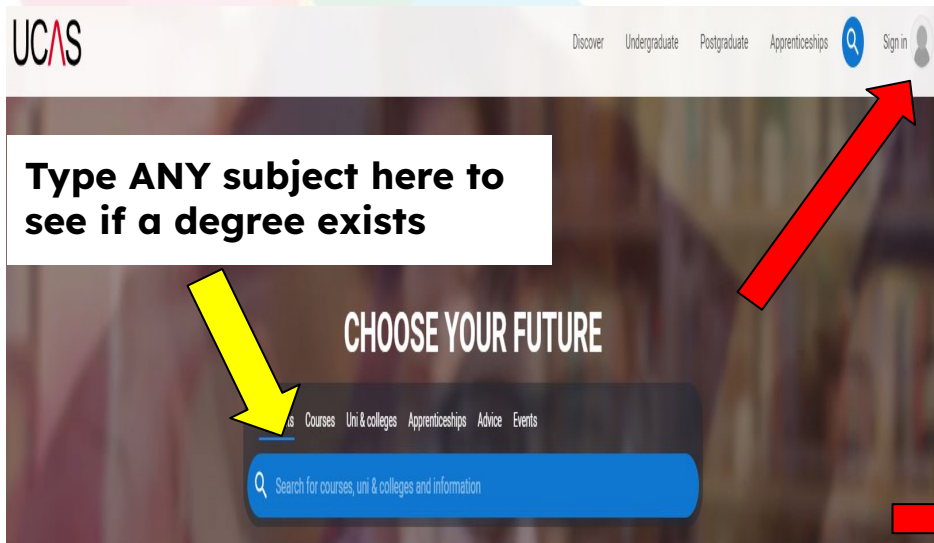
Connect with current university students through Unibuddy

Consider a 'combined' degree

Keep options open and choose a general subject & specialise at masters level

Everything to do with going to university

<https://www.ucas.com>



UCAS Discover Undergraduate Postgraduate Apprenticeships Sign in

Type ANY subject here to see if a degree exists

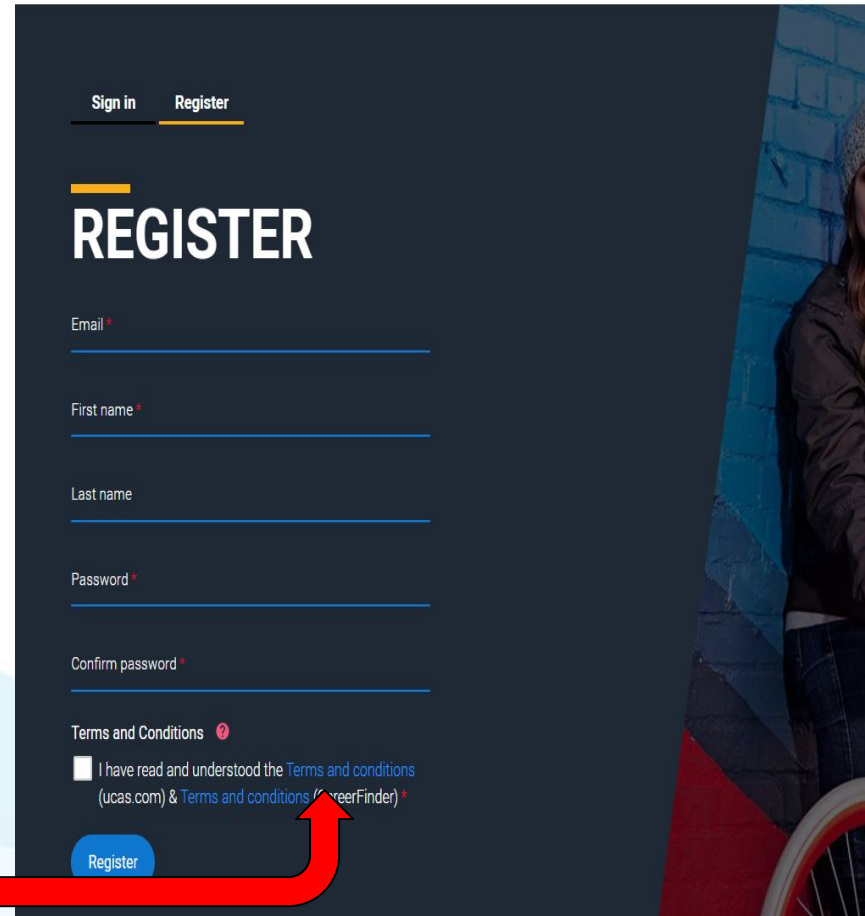
CHOOSE YOUR FUTURE

Courses Uni & colleges Apprenticeships Advice Events

Search for courses, uni & colleges and information

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Sign in Register

REGISTER


Email *

First name *

Last name

Password *

Confirm password *

Terms and Conditions 

I have read and understood the [Terms and conditions \(ucas.com\)](#) & [Terms and conditions \(CareerFinder\)](#) *

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UNIVERSITY - How to Apply

Students will register on UCAS.com during tutorial and open their own 'UCAS Hub'- this allows them to start researching and storing all the information most pertinent to them

Once they have registered they can also access their own application form -

<https://www.ucas.com/> The application cycle for entry 2025 starts on 14th May 2024

Select up to 5 Courses

Up to 5 choices - 1 Personal Statement

Check/compare units/modules - universities
write their own courses

Where do they want to live? Home or Away?

Try to visit the universities -

<https://www.opendays.com/>

Make sure predicted grades match entry
requirements - understand the UCAS Tariff

Brighton Centre - April 30th

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Undergraduate

Postgraduate

Money & student life

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UCAS DISCOVERY BRIGHTON 2024

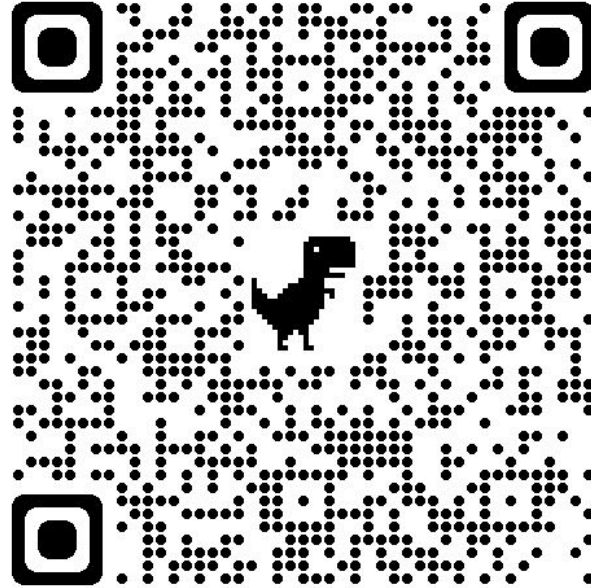
30 April 2024, East Sussex, Brighton

[Book your place now](#)

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Gap Year - How to make them work for you



<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Trzsv1hpC7FEMYjqkl4Kd3OSbHoeQr4q/edit#slide=id.p1>

Important Dates

- **30th April - UCAS Fair - 500 tickets (free)**
- **21st June - All Year 12s to visit University of Sussex for University Information Day**
- **UCAS Personal Statement Writing Day (date tbc)**
- **Year 1 Work Experience Week 1st-5th July**

All slides from my talk this evening will be available on the 'parents' section under the 'Careers' tab of the college website after Easter

Oxbridge Talk - room Q3 - Lee

Med/Vet/Dent - room S2 - Juliet

Art Foundation - room 26 - Kirsten



Thank you for attending our University Information Evening



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