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- Book a place in advance (find out more on pages 6-11).
- Decide which tours and talks to attend (may need advance booking).
- Research your dream course at the university.
- Be realistic (check your UCAS predictions and course requirements).
- Plan your journey and consider accommodation.
- Get a feel for the university by exploring the area and the town or city.
- Check out social media to discover the student experience.
- Prepare your questions in advance.
- Reach out to the disability support team if you have any special requirements or disabilities.







- Train/coach tickets book well in advance.
- Travel as a group.
- Check out virtual tours as an initial alternative.
- Some unis might offer their accommodation which could be discounted and better than AirBnB.



Many universities offer **TRAVEL BURSARIES** to fully or partly fund students' travel costs as part of their widening participation programmes.

The amount of cost reimbursement depends on various factors such as travel distance, students' current living situation or disabilities.

You should contact the university directly.

Questions to ask

Teaching & Learning

- Contact hours per week
- Staff-to-student teaching ratios
- Academic support if I struggle
- Typical week on the course
- Assessment methods
- What courses is the university best known for?

Student Life & Support

- Accommodation options
- Guarantee first year in uni halls

Entrance requirements

- Typical entry requirements for the course
- Alternative qualifications
- Contextual offers

Finance & Scholarships

- Available scholarships/bursaries
- Financial support for students from low-income backgrounds
- How do students typically manage part-time work alongside their studies?
- Availability and average cost of accommodation in the second and third years
- Support with finding private accommodation
- Mental health and wellbeing support

Opportunities/ Employability

- Placement or internship as part of the course
- Typical career prospectus post graduation
- Chance to study abroad
- Work placement support

Explore Accommodation!

1. University Halls of Residence

- Most common option for first-years.
- Managed by the university.
- Usually located on or near campus.
- Range from shared bathrooms to en-suite rooms.
- Bills (electricity, internet, water) usually included.
- Great for meeting other new students.

2. Private Halls of Residence

- More modern buildings with better facilities.
- Often more expensive.

3. Shared Private Housing

- Usually for second or third years.
- Renting a house with other students.
- Mostly arranged privately through letting agents.
- Bills may or may not be included.
- Can be cheaper than halls.
- More responsibility (bills, cleaning, dealing with landlords).
- Can sometimes be a little isolating at first.

Choosing University

When thinking about choosing a university or course, have you considered some of the factors below?

| Course | Checklist |
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Contact Time:

Assessment: Study Abroad or Industry **Placement opportunities:**

Any course requirements? E.g. Certain grades at GCSE, work placement, tests to complete prior to applying:

University Checklist

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Location:

City or Campus:

Size - small or big: Accommodation Type halls or private renting:

Clubs and Facilities:

Student Life:

Speciality:

Success Rates:

Destinations of Graduates:

Cost:

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<u>RESOURCES</u>

UCAS Subject Guides

Complete University Guide League Tables

What Uni Guide

Prospects: What To Do With My Degree

Student Room

Uni Degree Course Guide quiz

FIND OUT MORE **VISIT WEBSITE EXPLORE COURSES** FIND OUT MORE **CHAT WITH OTHERS DO QUIZ**



Uni Open Days dates and links

This list includes some of the more well-known universities, but it's important to remember that every university or higher education provider offers open days and a range of other events to help you decide which course and institution are right for you. You can explore these opportunities by visiting the <u>UCAS Open Days</u> page or by checking the individual university's website directly.





| University | Open day dates | Booking link and QR code |
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| | Wednesday 2 nd July Saturday 16 th August | |



| UNIVERSITY BIRMINGHAM | June Open Days: Friday 27 June 2025 Saturday 28 June 2025 Autumn Open Days: Saturday 11 October 2025 Saturday 15 November 2025 | |
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| ★ University of Brighton | City campus open day 7 June 2025 Moulsecoomb campus open day 14 June 2025 Falmer campus open days 27 June 2025 28 June 2025 | |
| University of BRISTOL | June Open days Friday 13 June Saturday 14 June Autumn Open days Saturday 1 November | |
| UNIVERSITY OF | July Open Days Thursday 10 July 2025: Main undergraduate Open Day Friday 11 July 2025: Main undergraduate Open Day Autumn Open days Friday 12 September 2025: Colleges Open Day (subject departments not available) | |
| CARDIFF UNIVERSITY PRIFYSGOL CAERDY | June Open days Friday 27 June 2025 Saturday 28 June 2025 Autumn Open days Saturday 13 September 2025 Saturday 18 October 2025 | |
| Durham University | June Open days Friday 13 June & Saturday 14 June | |

| University of Essex | Colchester Campus Saturday 21 June 2025 Saturday 20 September 2025 Saturday 8 November 2025 Southend Campus Saturday 11 October 2025 | |
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| THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH | June open days Friday 20 June 2025 Autumn open days Saturday 4 October 2025 Saturday 25 October 2025 | |
| University University of Exeter | Summer open days Wednesday 28 May 2025 – Penryn Campus, Cornwall Friday 30 May 2025 - Exeter Campuses, Devon Saturday 31 May 2025 – Exeter Campuses, Devon Autumn open days Saturday 4th October 2025 – Exeter Campuses, Devon Saturday 11th October 2025 – Penryn Campus, Cornwall Saturday 25th October 2025 – Exeter Campuses, Devon | |
| | June open days | |

| University of Glasgow | Thursday 19 June, 9am - 3pm Gilmorehill Campus Autumn open days Wednesday 3 September, 9am - 3pm Gilmorehill Campus Saturday 18 October, 9am - 3pm Gilmorehill Campus | |
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| Goldsmiths university of London | 21 st June 2025 | |
| Imperial College London | June open days Wednesday and Thursday 25, 26 June Autumn open days Saturday 13 September | |
| University of Kent | Undergrad virtual event 18 th June Medway open event 21 st June Canterbury open event 5 th July | |

| King's College LONDON | Health & Life Sciences Undergraduate Open Day - Guy's Campus Saturday 14 June 2025 Saturday 12 July 2025 Arts & Sciences Undergraduate Open Day - Strand Campus Saturday 28 June 2025 Saturday 06 September 2025 | |
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| Lancaster University | Saturday 28 June 2025 Saturday 12 July 2025 Saturday 13 September Saturday 11 October 2025 | |
| UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS | June open days Friday 13 June Saturday 14 June Autumn open days Saturday 4 October Saturday 18 October. | |
| UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN | 4 th July 5 th July 27 th September | |
| | June open days Eriday 20 June 2025 | |

| UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL | Friday 20 June 2025 Saturday 21 June 2025 Autumn open days Saturday 20 September 2025 Saturday 11 October 2025. | |
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| Loughborough University | Friday 27 June 2025 Saturday 28 June 2025 Friday 19 Sept 2025 Saturday 20 Sept 2025 Saturday 15 November 2025 | |
| THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE | July open days Thursday 10th July | |
| MANCHESTER 1824 The University of Manchester | 21 June In person 28 June - In person 14 – 18 July - Virtual 4 October - in person 11 October - In person 10 – 14 November - Virtual | |

| Newcastle University | June open days Friday 27 June Saturday 28 June Autumn open days Saturday 4 October Saturday 22 November | |
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| The University of Nottingham | University Park and Jubilee Campus Friday 27 June 2025 Saturday 28 June 2025 Saturday 13 September 2025 Saturday 11 October 2025 Sutton Bonington - Veterinary Medicine Friday 11 July 2025 Saturday 12 July 2025 Friday 12 September 2025 Saturday 13 September 2025 Sutton Bonington - Biosciences Saturday 12 July 2025 Saturday 13 September 2025 Saturday 13 September 2025 Saturday 13 September 2025 Saturday 13 September 2025 | |
| UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD | July open days Wednesday 2 and Thursday 3 July Autumn open days Friday 19 September. | |
| OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY | 20 th and 21 st June 2025 | |
| UNIVERSITY PORTSMOUTH | Saturday 5 July 2025 Saturday 6 September 2025 Sunday 12 October 2025 Saturday 8 November 2025 Saturday 6 December 2025 | |
| Queen Mary University of London | Friday 13 and Saturday 14 June | |
| QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST | June open days Saturday 7 June Autumn open days Saturday 6 September | 国際部分に開いていた。国際部分により、国際部分により、国際部分により、国際部分により、日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日本の日 |
| University of Reading | Friday 20 June: 09:00 – 16:00 Saturday 21 June: 09:00 – 16:00 | |

| ROYAL HOLLOWAY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON | Saturday 14 th June Virtual - Wednesday 2 nd July | |
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| University of Sheffield | Summer open days Saturday 21 June 2025 Saturday 5 July 2025 Autumn open day dates Saturday 6 September 2025 Saturday 18 October 2025 Saturday 22 November 2025 | |
| SOAS University of London | 14 th June and virtual open days | |
| University of Southampton | June open days Saturday 21 June Sunday 22 June Autumn open days Sunday 14 September Sunday 5 October Saturday 18 October | |
| University of Suffolk | Saturday 5 July 2025 Saturday 4 October 2025 Saturday 15 November 2025 | |
| | Friday 27 and Saturday 28 June 2025 | |
| WARVICK | June open days Saturday 14 June 2025 Saturday 21 June 2025 Autumn open days Saturday 11 October 2025 Saturday 25 October 2025 | |
| UNIVERSITY OF VOrk | Saturday 21 June and Sunday 22 June 2025. | |