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# An Introduction to University

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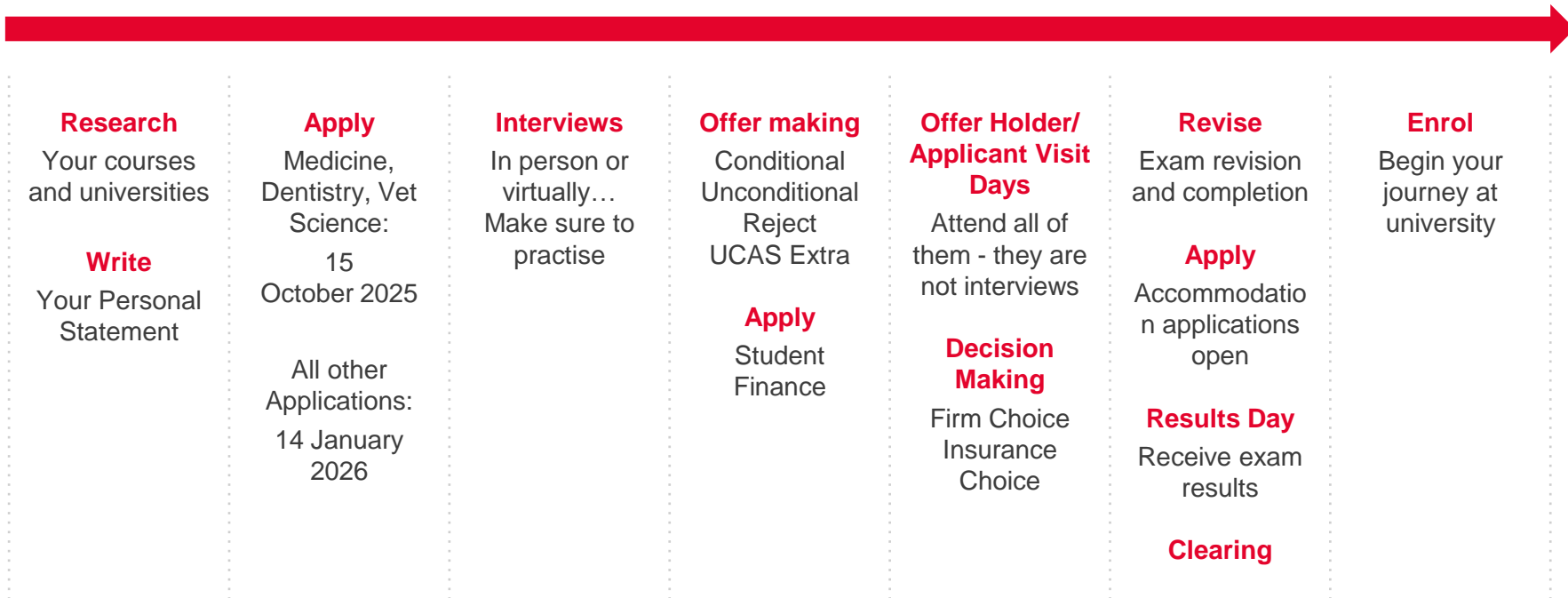


# What are the benefits of University?

- Increased earning potential → **Average starting salary is £32,000\***
- Enhanced subject knowledge → **Become an expert in 1 or 2 subject areas**
- Develop transferable skills → **Team work, communication, problem solving**
- Improved Career Prospects → **More job opportunities across multiple sectors**
- Personal Development → **Gain confidence, independence, meet friends for life**



# The Application Timeline





**How many courses  
are there in the UK?**

**35,000 courses**







# How to choose a course?

## Things to consider

- What do you **enjoy**?
- What courses are on offer?



# Something different?

## Over 30,000 different courses!

- Animal Behaviour and Psychology
- Arts and Festival Management
- Aviation Management with Helicopter Pilot Training
- Baking Science and Technology
- Brewing and Distilling
- CGI and Visual Effects
- Circus and Physical Theatre
- Dairy Herd Management
- Ethical Hacking
- Ethnobotany
- Fire Engineering
- Football Studies
- Live Event Technology
- Hand Embroidery
- Marine Engineering
- Renewable Energy Engineering
- Surf Science
- Prop Making
- Viticulture and Oenology



# Something traditional?

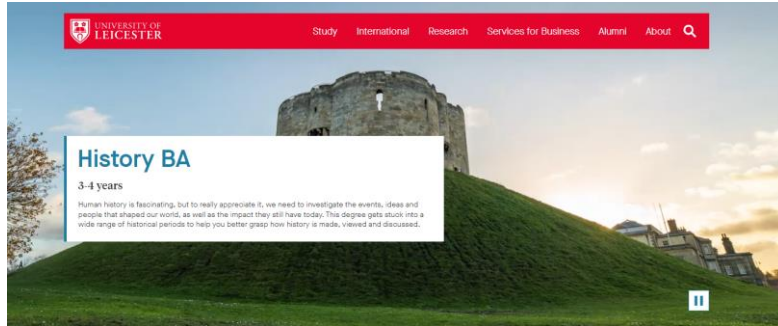
## Over 30,000 different courses!

- Accounting and Finance
- Actuarial Science
- Archaeology and Ancient History
- Biological Sciences
- Business and Management
- Chemistry
- Clinical Sciences
- Computer Science
- Criminology
- Economics
- Engineering
- English
- Environmental Science
- Film Studies
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Journalism
- Law
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Media and Communication
- Medical Sciences
- Medicine
- Midwifery with Leadership
- Modern Languages
- Nursing with Leadership
- Operating Department Practice
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physics and Astronomy
- Politics and International Relations
- Psychology
- Radiography
- Sociology

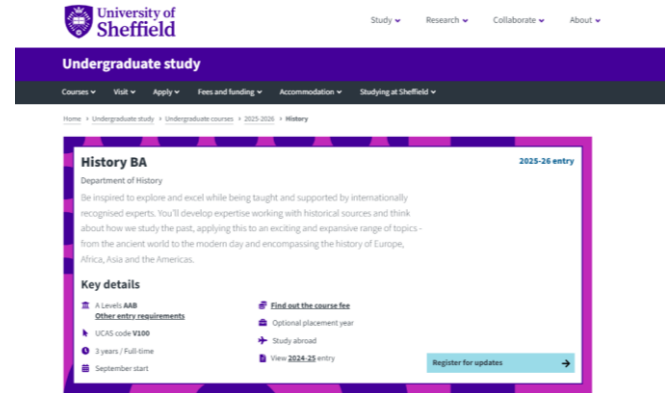




# Research the details...



- The Civil Rights Movement
- Rise and Fall of the Soviet Union
- Ideals of Womanhood in 19th-Century America
- Jack-the-Ripper: Crime, Popular Culture and Policing in Victorian Times



- Eastern Africa since 1940
- The Wars for Vietnam
- Trumpism
- Egypt's Golden Empire



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## How to choose a course?

### Things to consider

- What **courses** are on offer?
- Qualifications and **entry requirements**?



# Searching for entry requirements

- GCSE and Further Education Qualifications
- Subject Specific Requirements
- Interviews and Admissions Tests

Course description	<h2>Entry requirements</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>A/AS-levels:</b> ABB. All subjects accepted. Two AS-levels may be considered in place of one A-level.</li><li>• <b>EPQ with A-levels:</b> BBB + EPQ at grade B.</li><li>• <b>GCSE:</b> Maths at grade B (5) plus English Language at grade C (4).</li><li>• <b>Access to HE Diploma:</b> Pass relevant diploma with 45 credits at Level 3, including 30 credits at Distinction.</li><li>• <b>International Baccalaureate:</b> Pass Diploma with 30 points overall including a minimum of grade 5 in SL Maths Analysis and Approach, grade 4 in HL Maths or grade 6 in SL Maths Application and Interpretation if not held at GCSE.</li><li>• <b>BTEC Nationals:</b> Full Diploma with DDD, Diploma in Business preferred.</li><li>• <b>T Levels:</b> Distinction in either: Accounting or Finance (plus GCSE Maths grade 5 and English language at grade 4)</li></ul> <p>Other national and international qualifications considered. If you do not meet the entry requirements for this course, you can apply for the <a href="#">International Foundation Year – Economics and Management</a> run by the Global Study Centre. The GSC provides academic support to help you progress to your chosen undergraduate degree at the University of Leicester.</p> <p>Second Year Entry may be possible with suitable qualifications.</p>
Entry requirements	
Fees and funding	
Accreditation	
Careers and employability	
Related courses	

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Home / Courses / Accounting and Finance BSc

## Accounting and Finance BSc

3-4 years

Accounting and finance go together like money and banks. And studying them side-by-side will give you the skills and experience to work in areas such as professional accountancy, investment banking and financial management.

Start date: ☒ 2023 ☐ 2024

Typical offer	ABB	UK fee	£9,250
UCAS code	72N7	International fee	£18,200
Institute code	L34	Taught by	School of Business

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Accredited by ACCA

Accredited by ICAEW

Accredited by CIMA

Explore course pages... [www.le.ac.uk/courses](http://www.le.ac.uk/courses)



## How to choose a course?

### Things to consider

- What **courses** are on offer?
- Qualifications and **entry requirements**?
- Your preferred **learning style**?





# Studying at University

## Lectures:

- Big lecture theatre
- Bulk of your contact hours

## Seminars/tutorials:

- Smaller group classes
- Discuss and debate lecture content

## Practicals/labs:

- Application of lecture/tutorial content
- Take up to 3/6 hours

## Assessments:

- Vary depending on course
- Weighted differently depending on course

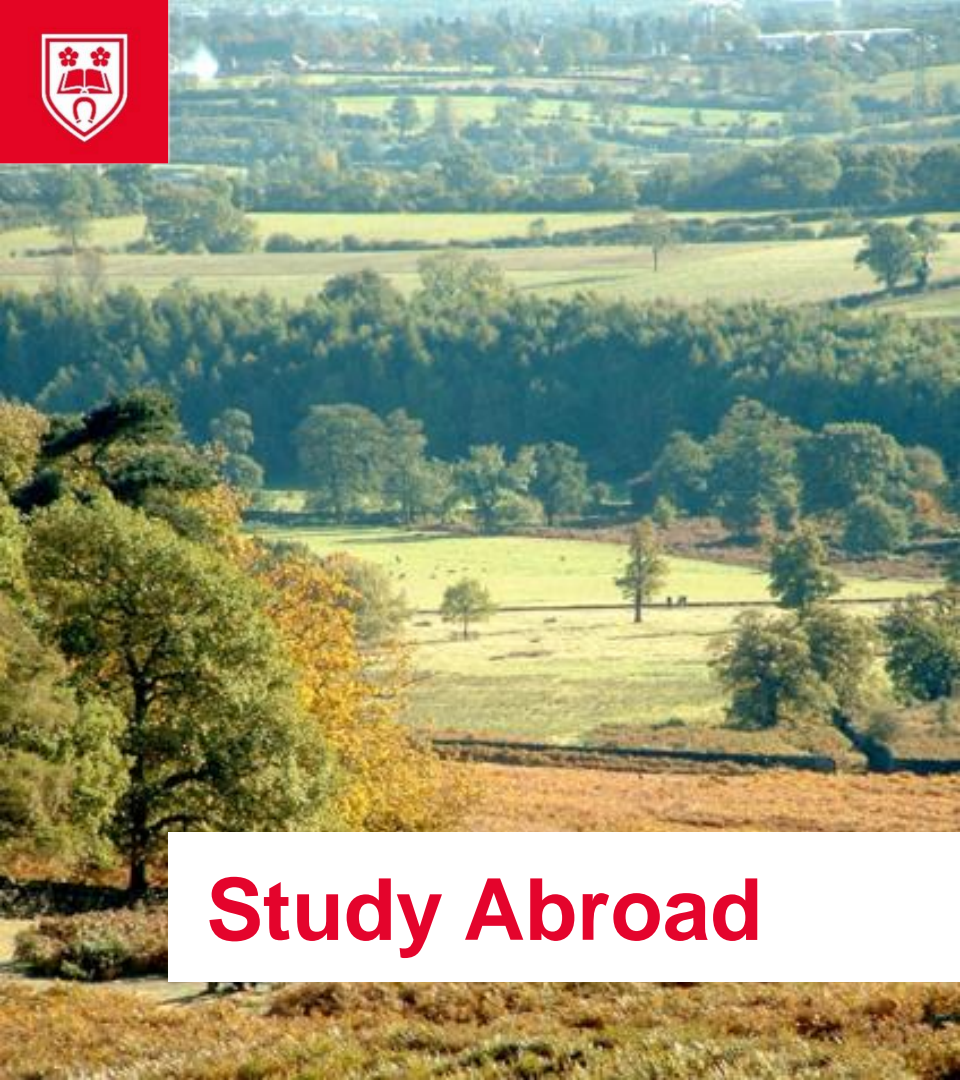




## How to choose a course?

### Things to consider

- What **courses** are on offer?
- Qualifications and **entry requirements**?
- Your preferred **learning style**?
- Is the course **accredited**/highly ranked?
- **Career** ideas? (Prospects)
- **Study abroad** or **placement year**?



# Study Abroad

- Example destinations: Italy, Japan, USA, Australia, South Africa, Norway etc.
- Experience of a new culture, the opportunity to travel and make new friends
- Students who study abroad are more likely to get a first or 2:1 and have a higher employment rate and higher earning\*
- Retain access to the student finance that you're entitled to during a standard academic year

\*Universities UK International study 2025

A young woman with dark skin and long black braids is smiling and looking towards the right. She is wearing a dark blue top. In the background, other students are blurred, and a laptop is visible in the foreground.

## Year In Industry

- Takes place between second and third year of study
- Normally a paid position
- Can take place in the UK or abroad
- Previous destinations include: Microsoft, Samsung, Disney, Bosch, Barclays etc.
- Student's responsibility to find a role
- Allows you to gain professional experience of working in a sector related to your course
- Develop workplace skills and building a network with people in industry





# How to choose a university





## Things to consider

- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?

## Choosing a university (1)





## Campus vs City

### Campus University

- All the main buildings and facilities are located within one area
- Students will usually spend most of their time in this central space

### City University

- Has a central hub, but most of the buildings are scattered around the city
- Students will have to travel across town to attend lectures





## Choosing a university (2)

### Things to consider

- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?
- Commute or live away from home?
- Location?



## Commute or live away?

- If commuting, what is a realistic distance you could travel?  
Think about:
  - Type of transport
  - Cost of transport
  - How often will you need to travel to university
- Still get the same university experience if you decide to commute rather than live at home



# Accommodation

- Cost of Accommodation
  - Studio, Ensuite, Washbasin
- Accessibility Requirements
- Location
  - What amenities are nearby?
- Mixed Flat or Gendered Flat
- Safety
- Extra benefits included in your room price?





# Accommodation at Leicester

- Guaranteed accommodation for 1st years\*
- Ensuite, studios, and shared living
- Accessible rooms
- Free events in halls every week
- 24/7 Accommodation Team
- High speed Wi-Fi
- Sports Centre (Oadby)
- Catering outlet (Oadby)
- Mixture of modern and classic buildings
- Prices starting at £72 a week





- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?
- Commute or live away from home?
- Location?
- Rankings?
- Facilities and services?

## Choosing a university (3)





# Facilities

## To consider:

- Students' Union
- Library
- Lecture Theatres and classrooms
- Subject specific facilities
- Sports facilities
- Facilities around the city - supermarkets? Hobby based facilities?





# Student Support

- 24/7 on Campus Security
- Counselling
- Nightline
- Safezone App
- The Chaplaincy
- Wellbeing events
- Personal tutor
- Mentor programmes
- Centre of Academic Achievement



A photograph of three students walking on a paved path in front of a modern university building. The building has a mix of grey and red brickwork and large glass windows. A sign on the building reads 'George Davies Centre'. The three students, two men and one woman, are smiling and looking towards the camera. The woman has long red hair and is wearing a blue top and jeans. The two men are wearing jackets and casual clothing. The sky is blue with some white clouds.

## Choosing a university (4)

- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?
- Commute or live away from home?
- Location?
- Rankings?
- Facilities and services?
- What other experiences does the university offer?



## Social Opportunities

- Sports and Societies
- Freshers' Fair
- Social events throughout the year like movie and game nights
- Run fundraising activities such as Movember and RAG Month
- Bake sales!
- Lots of competitions and giveaways





# Scholarships

## What's on offer?

### **Mature Student Scholarship**

£1000

### **University of Leicester Scholarship**

£1000

### **Sports Scholarships**

Up to £1000 plus benefits (e.g. free gym membership)

### **Music and Choral Scholarships**

£500 - £1000

<https://le.ac.uk/study/undergraduates/fees-funding/scholarships-and-discounts>



## Other considerations

### Things to consider

- Reputation
- Careers and Welfare support
- Research in your subject
- Study abroad locations



## **Making the most of Open Days**

- Take pictures to look back on
- Don't forget to spend time touring the city in addition to the University
- Attend talks: subject specific sessions, sample lectures, student finance talks and more
- Take a notepad to write down any notes you may have
- Take a parent or a friend
- Wear sensible shoes
- Enjoy the day!





## Resources

- The Student Room
- WhatUni
- Save the Student
- UCAS Website
- The Uni Guide
- Complete University Guide
- Springpod
- University of Leicester UCAS Application resources
  - <https://le.ac.uk/study/undergraduates/how-to-apply/applications>



# What to do now?

- **Speak to people with experience**
  - Family, teachers, industry experts, university students
- **Utilise useful websites and resources**
  - What Uni, UCAS, Prospects, Springpod
- **Engage with university events**
  - Taster Days, Open Days, UCAS Fairs
- **Gain relevant work experience**
  - Some degrees ask for it
- **Work hard for your qualifications**
  - Achieve your goals and ambitions
- **Be confident in yourself and your own decisions**
  - It's your university degree, it's your decision





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# Thank you

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