



Welcome to the Year 12 Higher Education Launch 6th February 2020

Mrs Radford
Assistant Head (Head of Sixth Form)





Aims

- To inform both students and parents of key aspects of the HE application process.
- To outline the various Post – 18 options.
- To inform both students and parents of support at Gordon's Sixth Form for the various options.
- To hear from a university perspective.





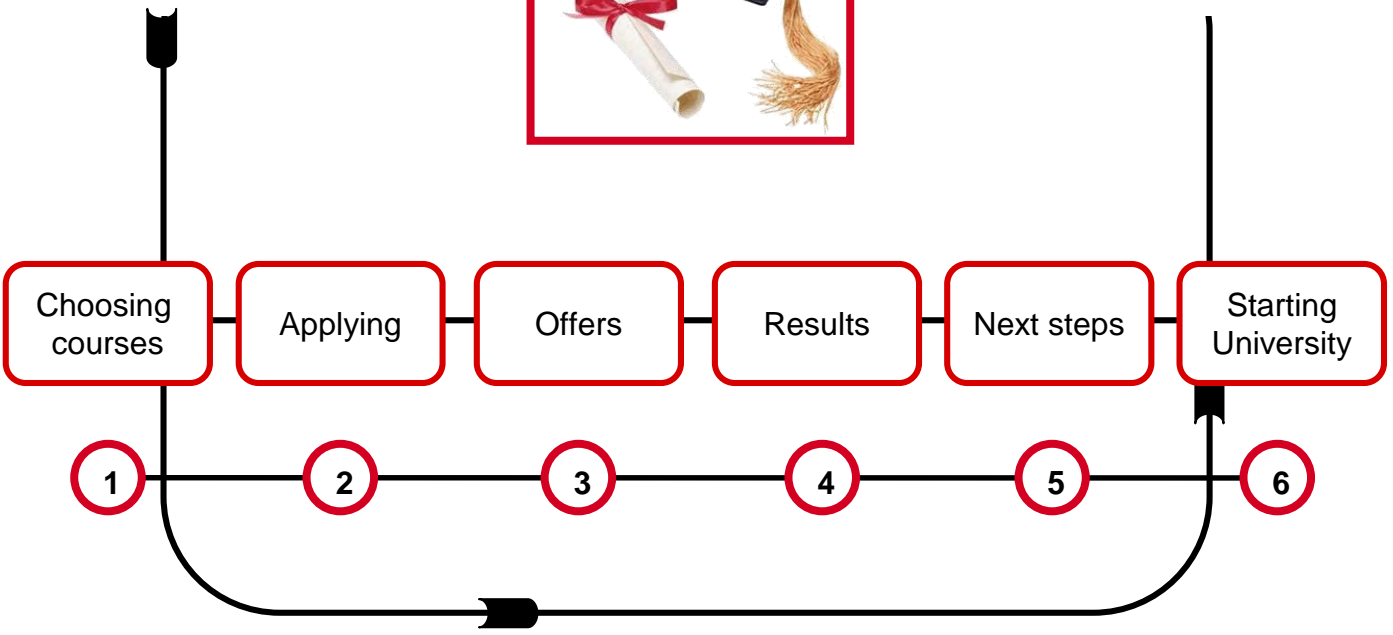
Post 18 Options

University

Higher
Apprenticeships

Work







The UCAS Process - an overview

1. Students create an account in summer term
2. They add 5 choices of courses/universities that they think they can access based on their predicted grades
3. They need to write a personal statement to convince admissions tutors to offer them a place
 - Deadline for this is by October half term 2020
4. We write a reference for them during October/November
5. I send the application off with the students
 - UK deadline 15 January 2021 but my deadline is November 2020
6. We wait to receive offers
7. Students then narrow down their 5 choices to final two by May: a firm choice and then an insurance choice





What are the different types of universities?





RUSSELL GROUP

RUSSELL

- University of Birmingham
- University of Bristol
- University of Cambridge
- Cardiff University
- Durham University
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Exeter
- University of Glasgow
- Imperial College London
- King's College London
- University of Leeds
- University of Liverpool
- London School of Economics and Political Science
- University of Manchester
- Newcastle University
- University of Nottingham
- University of Oxford
- Queen Mary University of London
- Queen's University Belfast
- University of Sheffield
- University of Southampton
- University College London
- University of Warwick
- University of York

GROUP

'Typical' offer A*AA or AAA at A Level

Could be AAB with an EPQ (Grade A* - A)





THE FORMER 1994 GROUP

- Birkbeck, University of London
- University of East Anglia
- University of Essex
- Goldsmiths, University of London
- Institute of Education, University of London
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- Lancaster University
- University of Leicester
- Loughborough University
- School of Oriental and African Studies
- University of Sussex

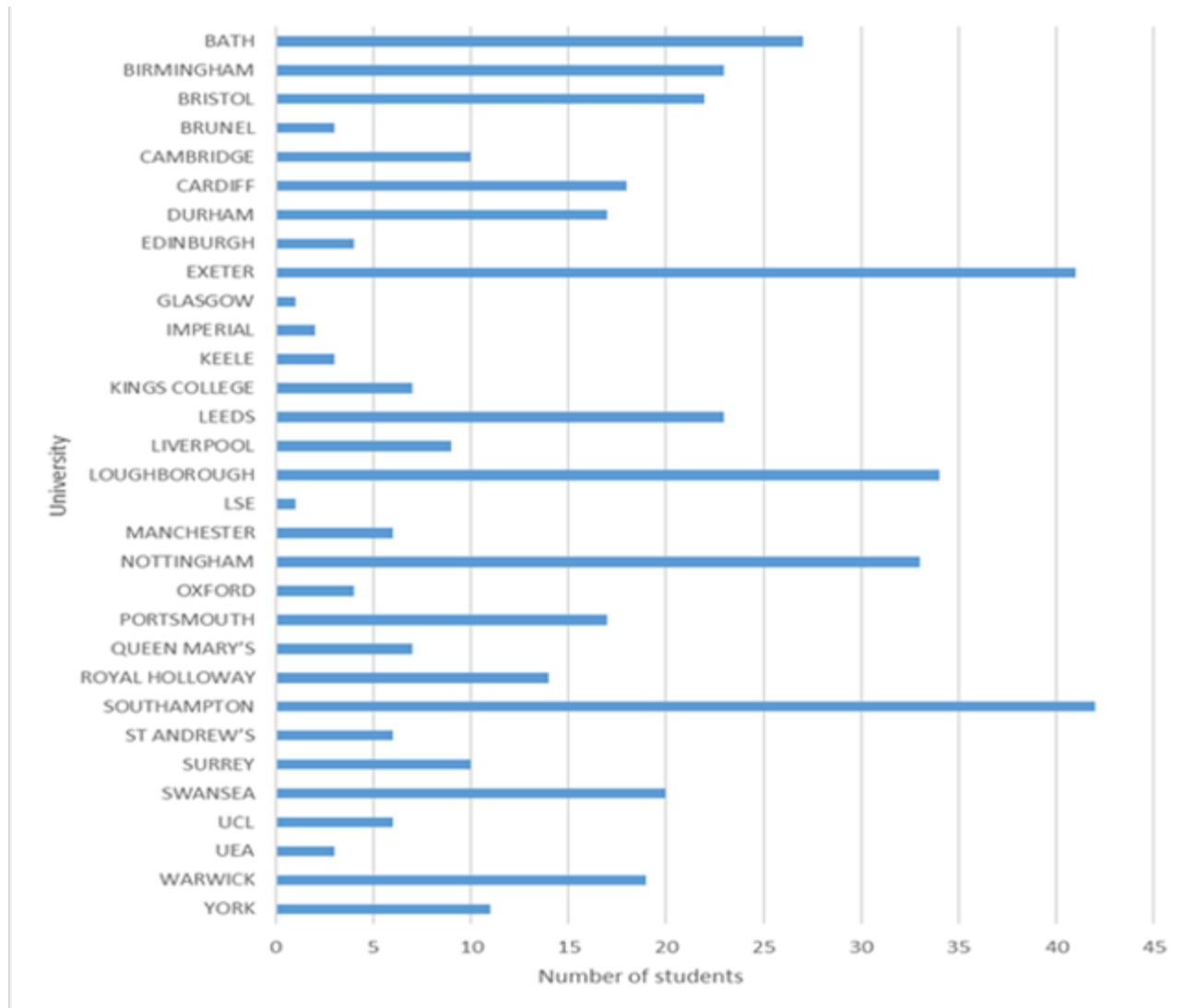
Containing research intensive universities = 'red brick'

'Typical' offers AAB or ABB





Top destinations over time





Support for Post -18 progression at Gordon's A Guide for Parents & Students





Sixth Form Post - 18 support

Head of Sixth Form Mrs Radford
Deputy Head (Y13) Mrs Hughes
Deputy Head (Y12) Miss Cross

Oxbridge Co-ordinator: Mrs Wright
Medical/Dentistry/Veterinary careers co-ordinator: Miss Armstrong
Careers Advisor: Mrs Sims /Mr Anderson

SIXTH FORM TUTORS





YEAR 12 February – July

1. Focus should be on research. We subscribe to **Unifrog** which centralises the process before UCAS application is sent off. Students have been emailed their UNIFROG log in already.
2. 28th April UCAS Fair in Winchester – all Y12 going
3. Attend Open Days at Universities of interest
4. Higher Education meeting for parents (in June)
5. Higher Education Day (in June for students): personal statement writing workshop
6. Log on to UCAS and begin the application
7. AS/A Level results day 13th August 2020 – these go on the UCAS application and form the basis for UCAS predicted grades





Open Days Information

- www.unitasterdays.com/
- www.opendays.com/
- www.ucas.com/events/exploring-university/find-open-day





Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

Mr Anderson





Preparation for employment & Higher Apprenticeships



- Mark Anderson
- Apprenticeships events
 - Panel of apprentices
 - Assessment centre preparation
- CV writing workshop
- Career Industry Talks biweekly
- Morrisby psychometric test
- Work experience
- Careers interviews





Apprenticeships: The Context

- Government target - 3 million apprenticeships starting in England between 2015 and 2020
- Apprenticeship Levy introduced – April 2017
- Public Sector target - at least 2.3 per cent of the workforce in public sector bodies in England will have to be apprentices by 2020





The Times They Are A-changin'

- “Students will be able to start degree-level **nurse** apprenticeships from September 2017” *Nursing Times, 10 Nov 16*
- “**Police** 'apprenticeships' introduced to new constables serving in Oxfordshire during the spring of 2018” *Oxford Times, 25 May 2017*
- “Ministerial approval has been given for a degree apprenticeship standard to be developed for **physiotherapy**.” *Chartered Society of Physiotherapy, 26 Jan 2017*





The Times They Are A-changin'

"Penguin Random House Publishers Has Just Announced It's Scrapping Degree Requirements For Its Jobs"

"Ernst & Young Removes Degree Classification From Entry Criteria As There's 'No Evidence' University Equals Success"





Other New Apprenticeship Standards

- Digital Journalism (current vacancy with BBC)
- Architect
- Cabin Crew
- First Officer Pilot
- Paramedic
- Social worker
- Operational firefighter





What are Apprenticeships



WORK + LEARN = APPRENTICESHIPS

- A REAL JOB WITH A REAL EMPLOYER
- PAID A SALARY
- QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE
- CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT, HOLIDAY, SICK
- SUPPORT FROM TRAINING PROVIDER/UNIVERSITY
- 3-6 YEARS





LEVELS

TRAINEESHIPS

**INTERMEDIATE
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 2

**ADVANCED
APPRENTICESHIP**

LEVEL 3

**HIGHER/DEGREE
APPRENTICESHIP**

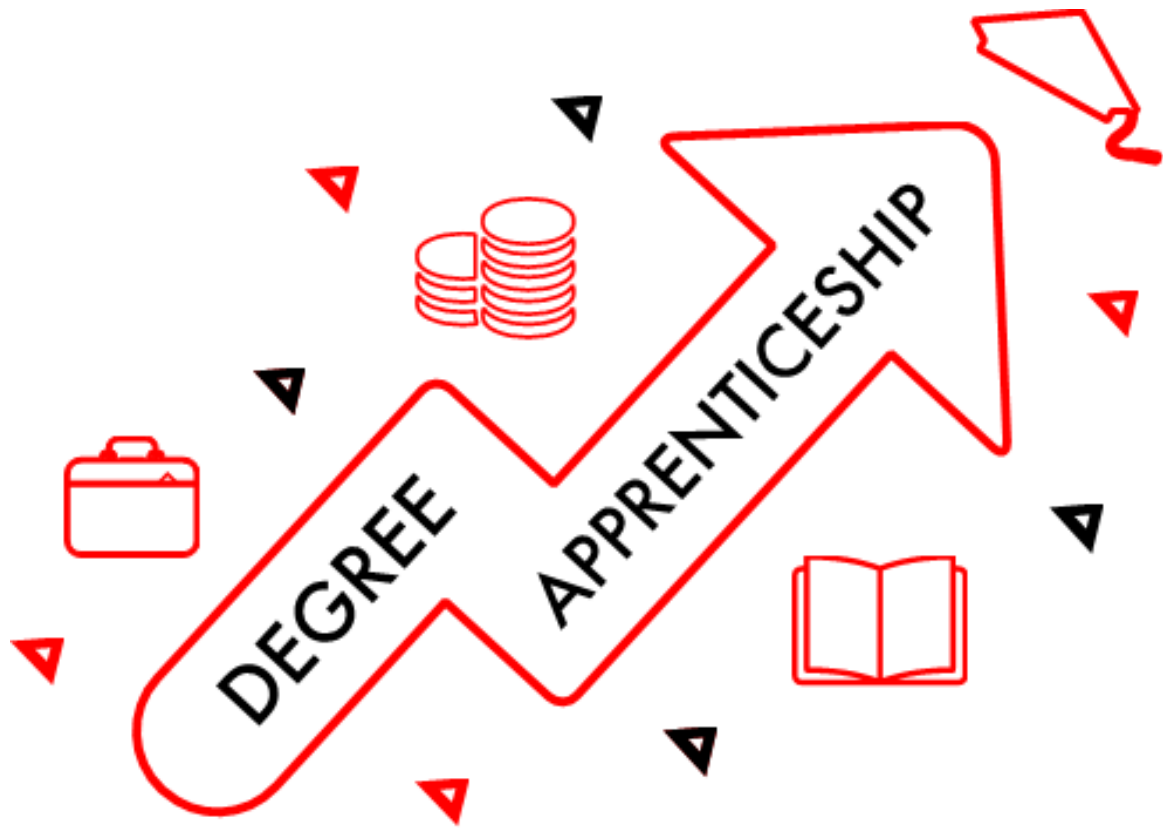
LEVEL 4,5,6 & 7

SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE & COMPETENCIES



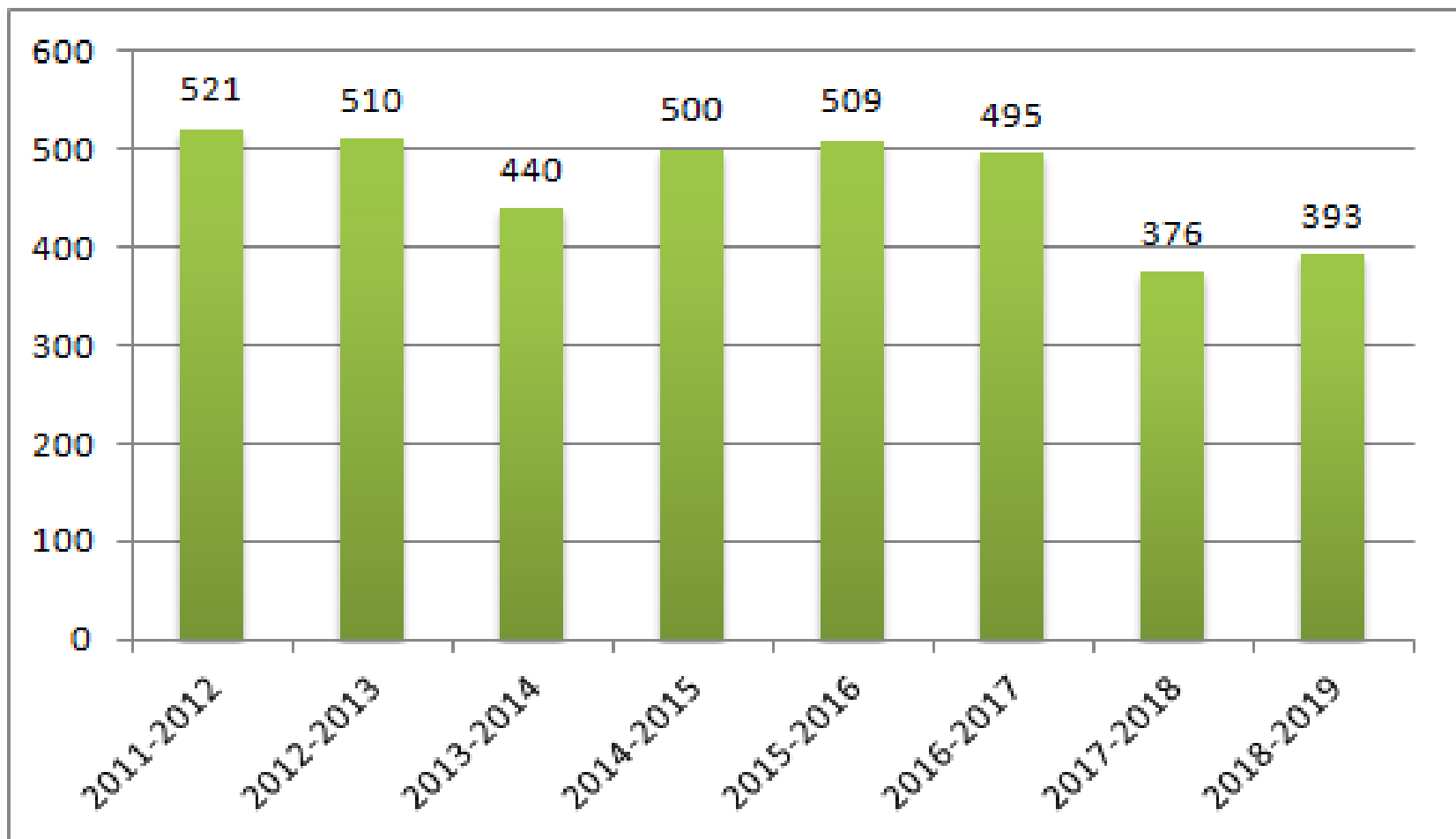


Now it's possible to get a degree without going to uni.....



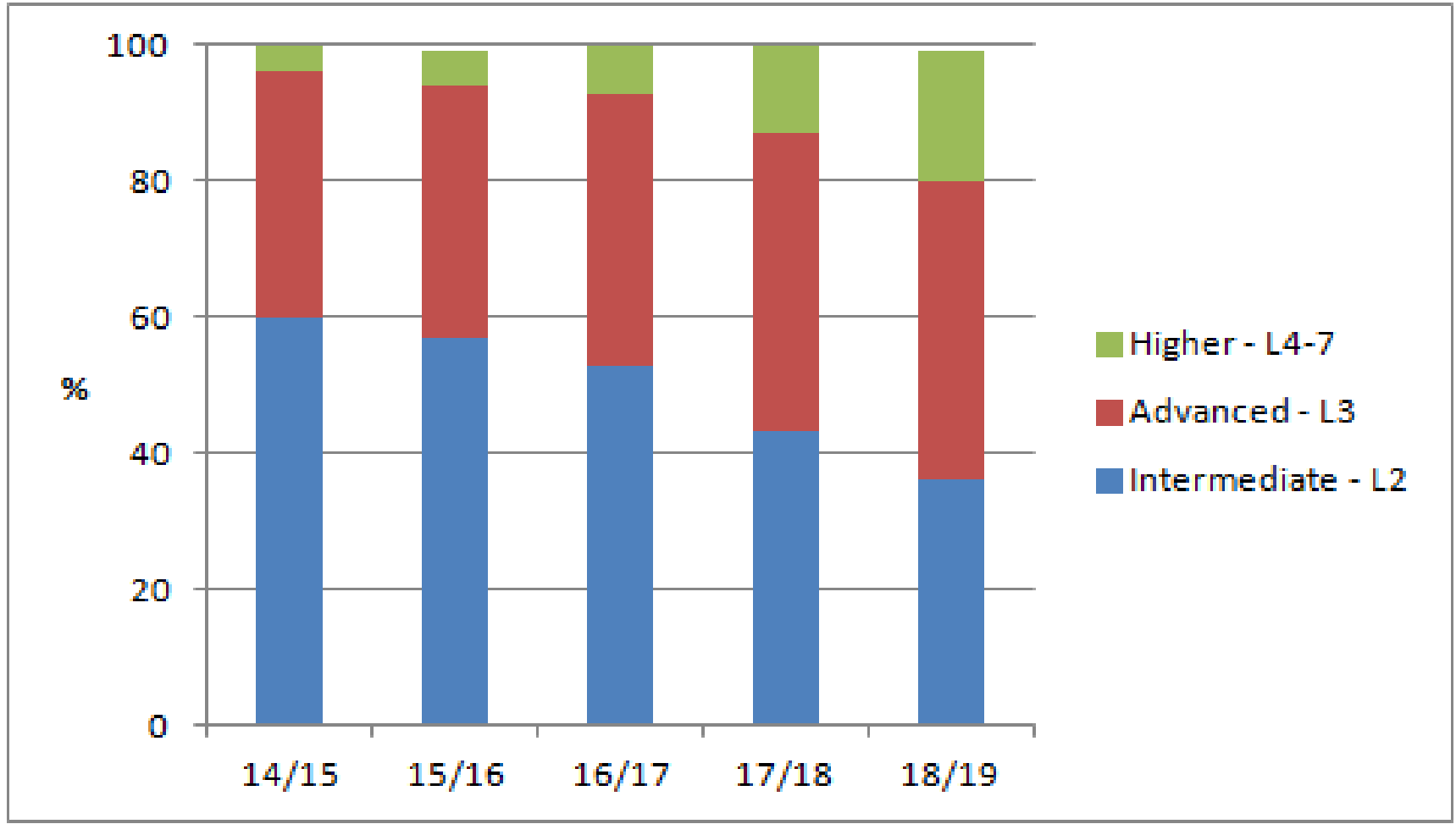


Apprenticeship starts in England *(Thousands)*





Apprenticeship starts in England





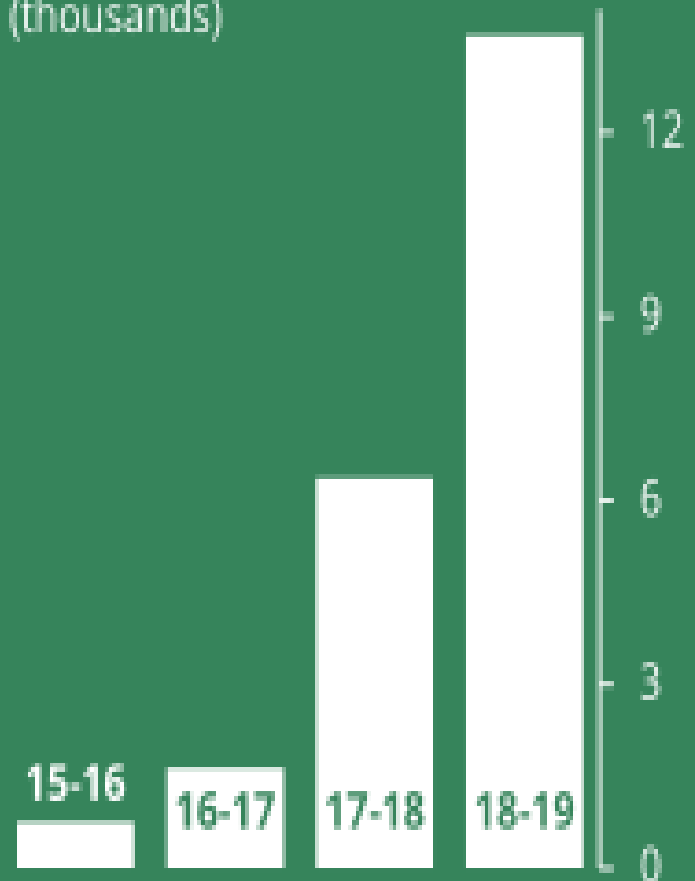
Degree apprenticeship starts

By broad subject, 2018-19, England

	% of total
Business, Admin. & Law	48%
Constn., Planning & the Built Envt.	15%
Health, Public Services & Care	15%
ICT	13%
Engineering & Manufacturing	9%
Science & Mathematics	1%
Retail & Commercial Enterprise	0%
Arts, Media & Publishing	0%

Rapid growth in starts

(thousands)





Degree Apprenticeships at Russell Group Universities

Queen Mary University of London

- Chartered Manager
- Software Engineer

University of Exeter

- Civil Engineering
- Applied Finance (J.P. Morgan)

University of Birmingham

- Computer Science with Digital Technology

University of Warwick

- Engineering (Dyson)
- Social Work





There are currently

22

Higher or Degree apprenticeship
vacancies within a 15 mile radius of
Gordon's School





Current Higher/Degree Apprenticeship Vacancies

- Building Services Engineering
- IT
- Data Scientist
- Chartered Manager
- Quantity Surveying
- Civil Engineering
- Software Tester/Engineering
- Supply Chain
- Project Manager





Typical Apprentice Employers



Cabinet Office

Allianz 

 **Capgemini**
CONSULTING. TECHNOLOGY. OUTSOURCING

 **HM Revenue
& Customs**

B B C

 **ERNST & YOUNG**
Quality In Everything We Do


edf
ENERGY



MORRISONS



**Sponsored
Degree**

 **Southern
Water**

 **gsk**
GlaxoSmithKline



You get paid and you have a career

- National Minimum Wage £4.15 per hour (from April 2020)
- Non apprentice minimum wage £6.45 (from April 2020)
- Wage depends on employer – many pay more than Minimum Wage



What is the current highest salary for a Higher/Degree Apprenticeship vacancy within a 15 mile of Gordon's School?

£18-20k

Actuarial **Higher** Apprenticeship with Aon,
Farnborough
Work towards becoming an Actuarial Analyst
Grade requirements: 104 UCAS points/BBC





What Are Employers Looking For?

- Flexibility and adaptability
- Tact and diplomacy
- The ability to work under pressure and to tight deadlines
- The ability to be proactive and work on your own initiative
- Honesty and reliability
- Attention to detail
- Discretion / understanding of confidentiality issues
- Remain calm under pressure and to think quickly in a crisis
- Adapt quickly to change





Typical Selection Process

Application Form



Telephone Interview



Online Assessment



Assessment Centre



1-1 interview





Where to Look for Vacancies



★ RATEMY
APPRENTICESHIP





Where to Look for Vacancies

- University websites
- Employer websites
- Speculative enquiry to employers





Forthcoming events

- 3-4 March: National Apprenticeship Show, Sandown Park
- 10 March, 5.30pm-8pm – Gordon's School Careers Fair
- June – HE Day
- What Career Live, London – 9-10 Oct 2020





From a university perspective

Mr P Drinkwater
Southampton University





Oxbridge

Co-ordinator: Mrs M Wright

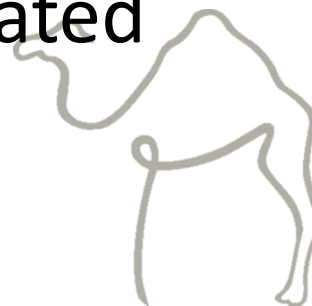




Oxford/Cambridge & Medicine applications

Is it right for me?

- Excellent academic credentials
- Wide range of further reading
- Passion, interest and love of subject
- Extensive work experience (medicine related courses)





Process

BioMedical Admissions Test (BMAT), in November.	Classics Admissions Test (CAT)	English Literature Admissions Test (ELAT)
History Aptitude Test (HAT)	Mathematics Aptitude Test (MAT)	Modern Languages Admissions Test (MLAT)
Oriental Languages Test (OLAT)	Physics Aptitude Test (PAT)	Philosophy Test
Thinking Skill Test Assessment (TSA) Oxford	Medicine: UKCAT and BMAT	

- Early deadline for UCAS: internal 15th September (**UCAS 15th October**)
- Organ Scholarships: **1 September with additional references**
- Admissions tests **4 Nov 2020**

Please note: It is the responsibility of each applicant to check which test is required and to register as required (via Mrs Clinch, examinations officer or online) and to ensure the date is in the diary as **it may fall in October half term.**





The support we offer

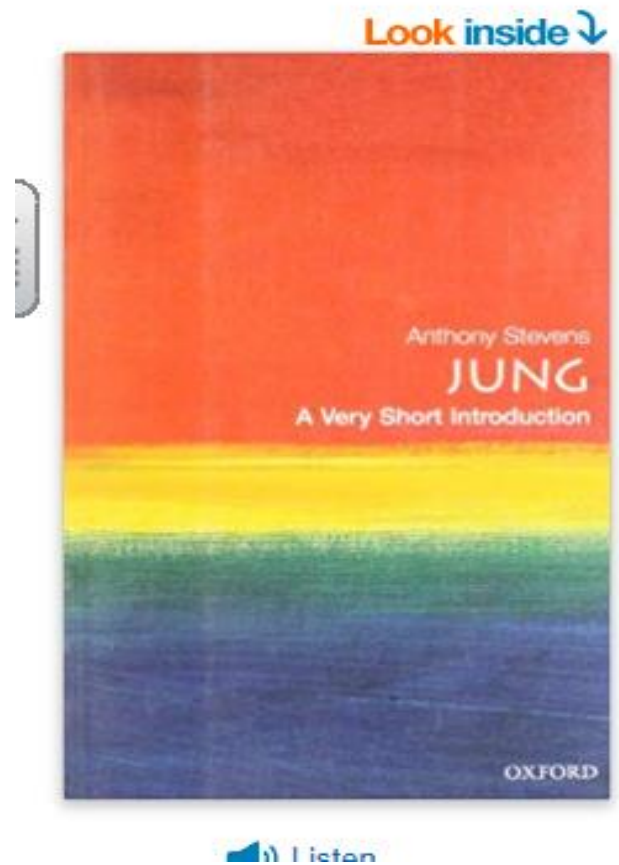
- HE day: guidance on *personal* statement; UKCAT & BMAT support
- September: 1:1 session on statement & support with UCAS form
- Reference using guidance from Oxbridge tutors
- Support within departments on further reading and test preparation
- November/December: interview practice





What are they looking for?

- Independence
- Intellectual curiosity
- Studiousness
- Love of subject
- Determination and willingness to work hard & under pressure
- A demonstrable scholarly instinct
- Flexibility of thought





Miss Cross

Deputy Head (Year 12)





unifrog

The Complete Destinations Platform





Available resources

Exploring pathways

Careers library

Subjects library

Know-how library

MOOC

Searching for opportunities

UK universities

US universities

Canadian universities

Asia

European universities

Oxbridge

Apprenticeships

College/ Sixth Form

Recording what you've done

Activities

Competencies

Interactions

Drafting application materials

Personal Statement

CV / Resumé

Teacher References

Common App Essay

Making applications

Post 16 Intentions

Locker

Applications list



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Writing like a boss: the Personal Statement

12 tips for acing the UK Personal Statement

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How to manage your workload

Learn how to make the most of your time

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What are MOOCs and why should you take one?

Find out why these online courses can be so beneficial

[Read the guide >](#)





What are the **best grades** you're likely to get by the time you leave school / college?

* Qualification 1

A Level



A (48 points)



* Qualification 2

A Level



A (48 points)



* Qualification 3

A Level



B (40 points)



* Qualification 4

AS Level



B (16 points)





Any of these interest you?

Select up to 10 at a time by clicking on the subjects you like

Direct matches (1)

Law

Subjects you might like (49)

Accounting and Law

Archaeology and Law

Business Law

Business Management and Law

Commercial Law

Corporate Law

Criminal Investigation and Psychology and Law and Criminology Foundation Year

Criminology and Criminal Justice and Law

Criminology and Criminal Law

English Language and Law

English Literature and Law

Human Resource Management and Law

next: 1 subject ▶

or go back





Search Unifrog to find the best university courses for you

What do you want to study at university?

* Subject

next ▶

or go back






Select courses below

Pick the best courses for you by ranking, filtering and searching. Click next when you're done.

Rank ▼ Filter ▼ Search ▼

Aspirational (157)

Top of your range

- 
Law - 3FT BA (Hons) !
 University of Cambridge
RG A Level: A*,A,A
- 
Law - 3FT LLB (Hons) !
 King's College London, University of London
RG A Level: A*,A,A
- 
Law (Bachelor of Laws) - 3FT LLB (Hons) !
 London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London
RG

Solid (100)

In the middle

- 
Law (Certificate) - 3FT LLB
 University of Kent
 A Level: B,B,C
- 
Law - 3FT LLB (Hons)
 University of Lincoln
 A Level: B,B,C
- 
Law for Business - 3FT BA (Hons)
 University of Lincoln
 A Level: B,B,C
- 
Law - 3FT/6PT LLB (Hons)
 Oxford Brookes University

Safe (87)

At the bottom

- 
International Foundation Arts, Humanities and Law - 4FT BA (Hons)
 Oxford Brookes University
 Foundation year
 UCAS Points: 88
- 
Law with Foundation - 4FT LLB (Hons)
 University of Westminster, London
 A Level: C,C,D
 Foundation year
- 
Law, Criminology and Criminal Justice - 3FT LLB (Hons)

next: 3 courses ▶

or go back



Use the ranking and filtering tools to narrow down your university searches

Rank ▲ Filter ▼ Search ▼

Entry requirements	Average points	% Graduate jobs	Fees	Starting salary	Dropout rate	Hours of lectures	Hours of tutorials
Hours of workshops	% Satisfaction	% Application success (Overall)	% Application success (UK)	Size of uni	% international		
Guardian rank	Guardian Law rank	Guardian Accounting & Finance rank	QS world rank	Accommodation cost	Distance from home	Social life	

Rank ▼ Filter ▲ Search ▼

All distances	10 miles	20 miles	50 miles	100 miles	200 miles	300 miles	Big cities	Scotland	Wales	City	Campus
All modes	Full time	Part time	Sandwich	Foundation	No Foundation	Full degrees	W/ study abroad	W/out study abroad			
All types	Russell Group (RG)	Top Third (TT)	Art Foundation	Joint Honours	No courses that prefer A-level, IB, Pre-U	TEF Gold	TEF Silver				
TEF Bronze											
All entry requirements	No courses out of my range										







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Aspirational (46)



Top of your range


-  **Law - 3FT BA (Hons)** 



 University of Cambridge


 RG A Level: A*,A,A
-  **Law - 3FT LLB (Hons)** 



 King's College London, University of London


 RG A Level: A*,A,A
-  **Law (Bachelor of Laws) - 3FT LLB (Hons)** 

 London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London

 RG A Level: A*,A,A
-  **Law with Hispanic Law (4 years) - 4FT LLB (Hons)** 


 UCL (University College London)


 RG A Level: A*,A,A
-  **Law with German Law (4 years) - 4FT LLB (Hons)** 


 UCL (University College London)


Solid (149)


In the middle


-  **Flexible Combined Honours - 3FT BA/BSc (H)**


 University of Exeter


 RG A Level: A,A,B-A*,A,A
-  **Law and Business Studies - 3FT BA (Hons)**


 University of Warwick


 RG A Level: A,A,B
-  **English Law - 3FT LLB (Hons)**


 University of Strathclyde

 A Level: A,A,B-A,A,A
-  **Law - 3FT LLB (Hons)**

 University of Exeter


 RG A Level: A,A,B-A,A,A
-  **Law (Eng/NI) - 3FT LLB (Hons)**


 University of Dundee


 TT A Level: A,A,B
-  **Combined Honours - 3FT + Abroad BA (Hons)**


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
-  **Law (Certificate) - 3FT LLB**


 University of Kent


 A Level: B,B,C
-  **Law with Business Studies - 3FT LLB (Hons)**


 Bangor University


 UCAS Points: 112-128
-  **Global Challenges (Planetary Health) with Professional Practice - 4SW BAsc (Hon)**

 Brunel University London

 A Level: B,B,C
-  **Law - 3FT LLB (Hons)**

 University of Lincoln

 A Level: B,B,C
-  **Law and Business - 3FT/4SW BA (Hons)**

 Liverpool John Moores University

 A Level: B,B,C



Law - 3FT LLB (Hons)



University of Exeter



Solid - A Russell Group University - TEF Gold



A Law degree from the University of Exeter offers a unique blend of academic rigour; including critical, theoretical and reflective dimensions; from one of the top global universities that is also a member of the prestigious Russell Group; with the excitement of experiencing the law in action. Our programmes are taught with a legal profession-facing emphasis on substantive content that is of real-life relevance, whilst developing the academic and practical skills required by the legal profession and employers more generally. In addition, the Exeter Law School challenges its undergraduate law students to maximise their potential.



Getting in

Overall Application success rate

14%

UK Application success rate

14%

Entry requirements A Level

A,A,B-A,A,A

Full-time 3 Years: Excluding General Studies

You're taking more than one type of qualification, so on the [course page](#) double check that you will still meet the entry requirements.

Last year's successful applicants

69.8% of successful applicants did the same qualification types as you, and of these a typical result was:

A Level: AAB

Unofficial overview

"The University of Exeter is split across three campuses with the main one being based in the gorgeous surrounds of the Devonshire countryside, walking distance from the city centre of Exeter. The Guild is central to student life and is member-led, meaning that students have a direct say in events that are put on and how it is run. The ambitious university is consistently ranked in the top 10 and is investing heavily in new facilities ensuring that its research and teaching are always at the top of their game. The state of the art sports facilities are just one reason why Exeter is considered one of the best universities for sport as well. The small city means that students will find it easy to feel at home."

Campus or City: CAMPUS





Oxbridge



Here's how Oxford and Cambridge compare at a glance (you can only apply to one of them):

	University of Oxford	University of Cambridge
Date founded	1096	1209
Total students	22,600	19,900
City population	158,000	138,750
State / Independent school students	57% / 43%	63% / 37%
Male / Female students	52% / 48%	54% / 46%
Average UCAS points	571	601
Average graduate starting salary	£25,460	£25,610
Wealth	£4,900,000,000	£4,355,000,000







University of Oxford (14)

University of Cambridge (23)


Worcester College Est 1714

 Beautiful, friendly, relaxed
Academic ranking: 2nd


Jesus College Est 1571

 Small, close-knit, welcoming
Academic ranking: 4th


St John's College Est 1555

 Academic, rich, big
Academic ranking: 5th


Hertford College Est 1740

 Democratic, unpretentious, central
Academic ranking: 7th


St Catherine's College Est 1963

 Social, friendly, sporty
Academic ranking: 11th


St Anne's College Est 1952

 Sociable, relaxed, down-to-earth
Academic ranking: 12th


Christ Church Est 1546

 Prestigious, proud and touristy
Academic ranking: 16th


Keble College Est 1870

 Friendly, buzzing, gothic
Academic ranking: 18th


Brasenose College Est 1509

 Old, stately, warm
Academic ranking: 19th


Trinity College Est 1546

 Grand, traditional, rich
Academic ranking: 1st


Trinity Hall Est 1350

 Idyllic, small, central
Academic ranking: 3rd


Jesus College Est 1496

 Friendly, historic, secluded
Academic ranking: 4th


Emmanuel College Est 1584

 Traditional, beautiful, academic
Academic ranking: 5th


Churchill College Est 1960

 Friendly, informal, recreational
Academic ranking: 6th


Queens' College Est 1448

 Large, friendly, relaxed
Academic ranking: 7th


Clare College Est 1326

 Musical, informal, welcoming
Academic ranking: 8th

Christ's College Est 1505

 Friendly, intellectual, green
Academic ranking: 9th

Magdalene College Est 1428

 Small, old, welcoming
Academic ranking: 10th





Apprenticeships

Select Vacancies below

Pick the best vacancies for you by ranking, filtering and searching. Click next when you're done.
 We are only showing vacancies within 100 miles of your house. [Remove this filter?](#)

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Intermediate (68)













Equivalent to GCSEs




Advanced (62)











Equivalent to A-levels

Higher / SLP (38)

Equivalent to a degree

-  **Finance Assistant Apprentice**
 Cistor Ltd
 Distance: 7 miles
-  **Finance Apprentice**
 Brooklands College FE
 Distance: 8 miles
-  **Administration and Finance Apprentice**
 A J Cooke Carpentry Limited
 Distance: 11 miles
-  **Accountant Apprentice**
 Italian Continental Stores Ltd
 Distance: 13 miles
-  **AAT Accounts Apprenticeship**
 Taxsolvers Ltd
 Distance: 15 miles
-  **Accounts Assistant Apprenticeship**
 W Accounting Services

-  **Accounts & Office Assistant**
 Jafferries Ca Ltd
 Distance: 5 miles
-  **Apprentice Shift Manager Bracknell**
 Pizza Hut UK Ltd
 Distance: 7 miles
-  **Accounting Assistant Apprentice**
 Tax Assist Accountants
 Distance: 14 miles
-  **AAT Accountant / Bookkeeper Apprentice**
 SIT-STAND.COM
 Distance: 15 miles
-  **Apprentice Shift Manager Reading Oracle**
 Pizza Hut UK Ltd
 Distance: 16 miles
-  **Apprentice Accountant Assistant**

-  **Audit Apprentice**
 Smith & Williamson
 Distance: 8 miles
-  **School Leaver Trainee Accountant - Immediate Start - Sutton**
 Mazars
 Distance: 20 miles
-  **Audit School Leaver Trainee - 2016 - Sutton**
 Mazars
 Distance: 20 miles
-  **School Leaver Trainee Accountant - 2016 - Sutton**
 Mazars
 Distance: 20 miles
-  **Hospitality Apprenticeship**
 Four Marks Golf Ltd
 Distance: 23 miles





So what next...

Mrs Radford



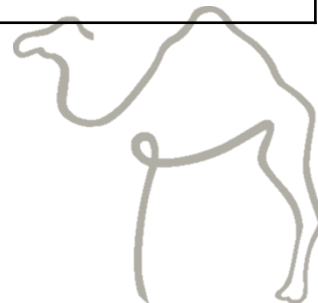


UCAS

Planned timeline 2020

6th February 2020	HE Launch: Spring = research using Unifrog
28th April 2020	UCAS Fair Winchester university
June 2020 tbc	HE Evening parents and students
June 2020 tbc	HE Day - Personal statement writing workshop (Unifrog & UCAS)
6st Sept - 10th Oct 2020	Student complete personal statement & course choices
15th October 2020	Oxbridge, Medicine, Veterinary and Dentistry deadline
11th - 19th Oct 2020	Student complete UCAS application
1st Nov onwards 2020	Applications sent off

Early applications = early offers





Any Questions

