



A GUIDE TO UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS & FINANCE

ADVICE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

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**THIS IS
UEA**

UK TOP 25

The Complete University Guide 2024
UK Top 30 in the Times/Sunday Times
and Guardian University 2023 guides.

RESEARCH QUALITY

UK TOP 20

Times Higher REF 2021 Analysis

SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT GOALS

UK TOP 10

Times Higher Education Impact
Rankings 2023



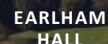
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JOHN INNES
CENTRE



COLNEY
LANE PLAYING
FIELDS



EARLHAM
HALL



THE ENTERPRISE
CENTRE



EARLHAM
PARK



SPORTSPARK



DOCTORS AND DENTIST



SAINSBURY
CENTRE



ZIGGURATS
ACCOMMODATION



THE
LIBRARY



THE STREET
(SHOPS, BANK,
LAUNDRETTE)

STUDENT
SERVICES



THE CAMPUS
KITCHEN



THE SQUARE

STUDENT
UNION



ON-CAMPUS
ACCOMMODATION

WHO'S WHO IN THE WORLD OF UNIVERSITY?



(The University and Colleges Admissions Service) is the service that students use to **apply to university**.



Student Finance is the organisation responsible for providing Tuition Fee Loans and Maintenance Loans to students at university.



The Student Loans Company (SLC) is a government organisation which organises the **repayment of Student Loans** (tuition fees & maintenance loans).

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

1 CHOOSE A SUBJECT

2 USE UCAS TO SEARCH COURSES

3 ATTEND OPEN DAYS

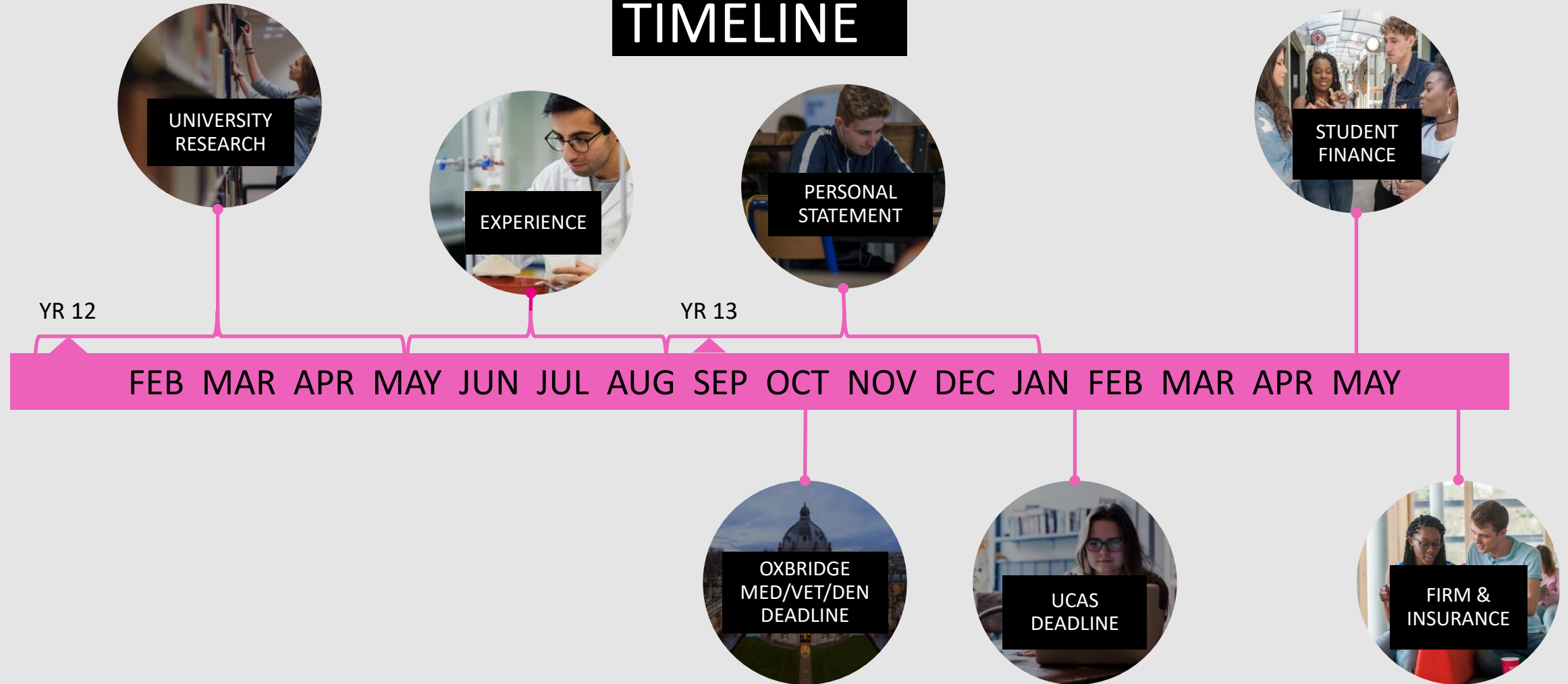
4 PICK 5 UNIVERSITY CHOICES

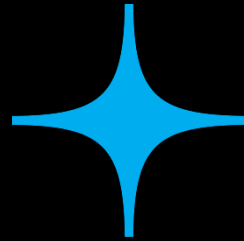
5 COMPLETE UNIVERSITY (UCAS) APPLICATION

6 APPLY FOR STUDENT FINANCE

7 WAIT FOR OFFERS AND A LEVEL/ BTEC RESULTS

APPLICATION TIMELINE





CHOOSING A COURSE

FINDING THE RIGHT SUBJECT



34,500+

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
TO CHOOSE FROM

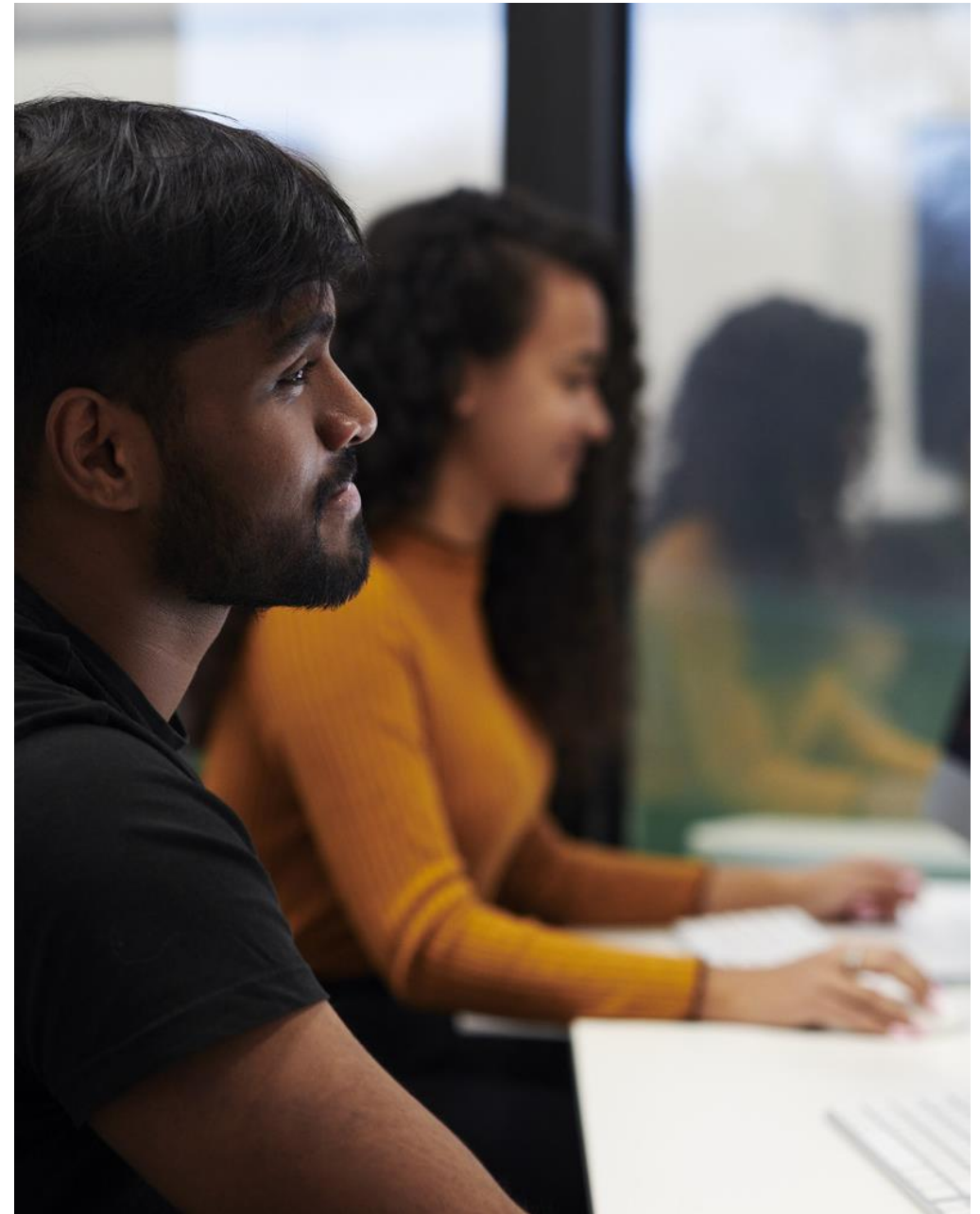


5 CHOICES

EXCEPT FOR MEDICINE, DENTISTRY
AND VETERINARY SCIENCE

FINDING OUT ABOUT THE COURSE

- UCAS
- The Student Room
- The Uni Guide
- The Complete University Guide
- Careers Advisers
- University prospectuses
- Taster sessions & webinars
- Open Days



KEY CONSIDERATIONS

INTEREST

What do you enjoy
day to day?

MODULES

Which course is more
relevant to your interests?

CAREER

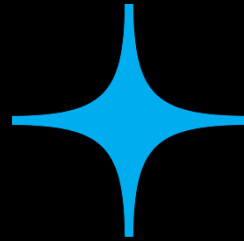
Think about your goals and
the qualifications required

OPPORTUNITIES

Year abroad
Year in industry
Sports facilities and
societies

RESEARCH

League tables
UCAS
REF



SELECTING 5 CHOICES

FINDING THE RIGHT UNIVERSITY

WHICH UNIVERSITY?

RANKINGS

Does the university have a good reputation for your course?

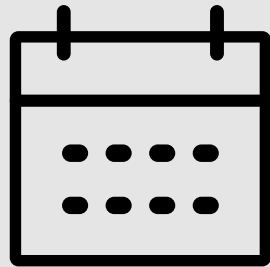
LOCATION

Where is the university based?
Do you feel like you would belong there?

OPPORTUNITIES

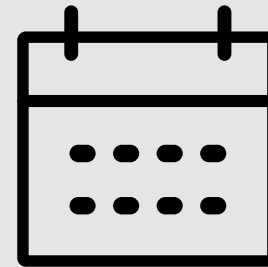
Are there opportunities to choose modules from other subjects? Can you do Study Abroad/ Placement Year?

THE DEADLINES



15 OCTOBER

Oxford
Cambridge
Medicine
Dentistry
Veterinary Science



29 JANUARY

Most other courses

2025 entry

PERSONAL STATEMENT

47 LINES

THERE'S A LOT
TO PACK IN

IMPORTANT DOCUMENT – A DIFFERENTIATOR BETWEEN SIMILAR
CANDIDATES

SUBJECT SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE

LAW

- Law Gazette
 - Current affairs
-

SCIENCES

- Nature magazine
 - Virtual work experience
 - MOOCs
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ENGLISH AND HUMANITIES

- Write reviews
 - Blogs
 - Articles
 - MOOCs
 - University taster sessions
 - TED talks
 - Webinars
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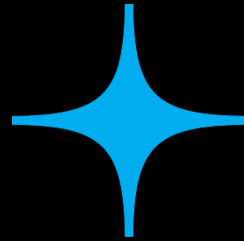
ARTS

- Online museums and theatres
 - Portfolio or audition preparation
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MEDICINE AND HEALTH

- NHS values
- 'Observe GP' work experience on the RCGP website
- British Red Cross 'Safe Hands' emails





POST UCAS SUBMISSION

STUDENT FINANCE & CHOOSING FIRM/ INSURANCE



ELIGIBILITY

[WWW.GOV.UK/STUDENT-FINANCE/WHO-QUALIFIES](https://www.gov.uk/student-finance/who-qualifies)

TUITION FEE LOAN



MAINTENANCE LOAN





STUDENT FINANCE CALCULATOR

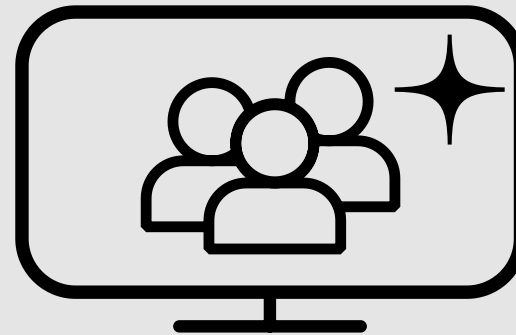
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9% ON EARNINGS OVER £25,000

“Ignore newspaper headlines about students leaving university with £50,000 of debt. That's mostly a meaningless figure. What counts is how much you'll repay.”

Martin Lewis, 2022

APPLY ONLINE



[WWW.GOV.UK/STUDENTFINANCE](https://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)

COURSE

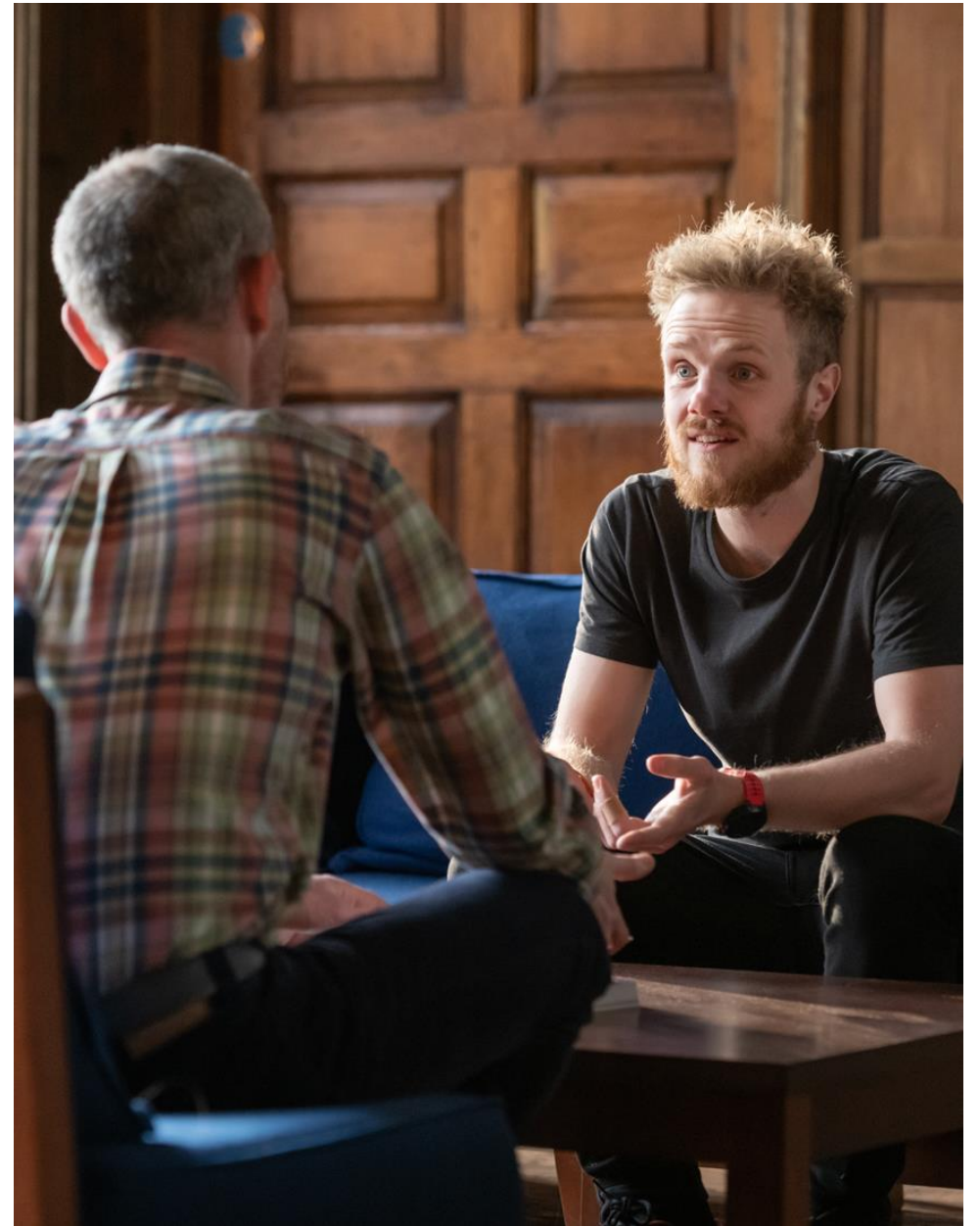
BANK DETAILS

INCOME

NI NUMBER

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

- Travel Grant
- Disabled Students Allowance (DSA)
- Dependents
- Childcare
- NHS Learning Support Fund:
including the £5,000 NHS Training Grant





UNIVERSITY SUPPORT

BURSARIES & SCHOLARSHIPS

UEA BURSARIES

£800 - £2,500 per year



60TH ANNIVERSARY SCHOLARSHIPS

60 £1000 SCHOLARSHIPS

UK FEE PAYING STUDENTS

ONLINE APPLICATION, DEADLINE 3RD MAY 2024

2024 entry

'66% OF STUDENTS RELY ON
PART-TIME WORK FOR MONEY'.
National student money survey
2021

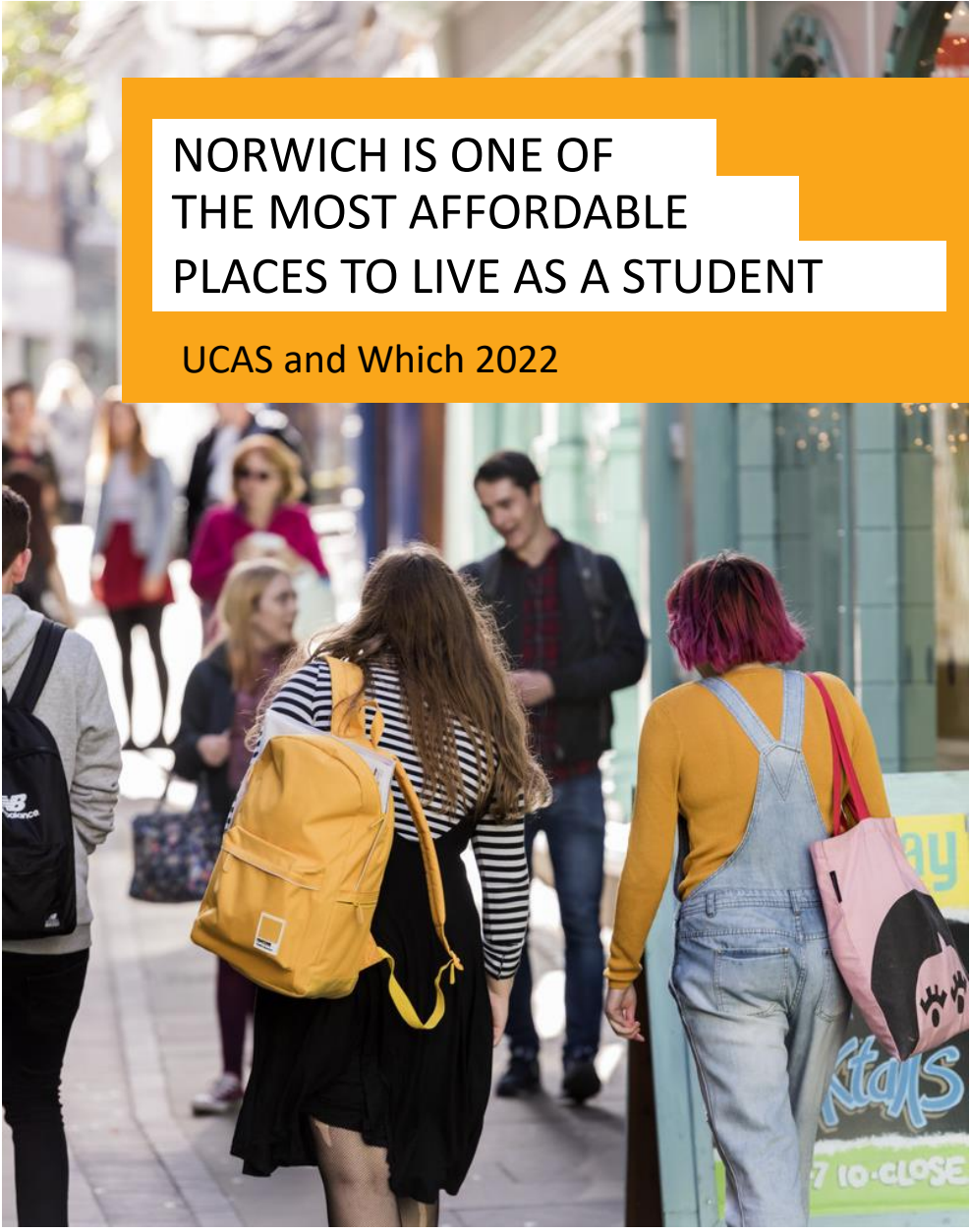


'The average student earns £404 per
month from their part-time job'

COST OF LIVING

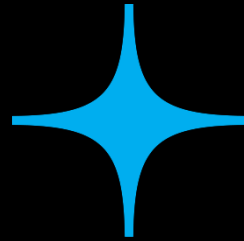
University	Average Monthly Cost
UEA	£755
Exeter	£806
Leeds	£823
Nottingham	£915
Southampton	£898
Manchester	£773
Birmingham	£820

Source: [UCAS/Which Student Budget Calculator](#)



NORWICH IS ONE OF
THE MOST AFFORDABLE
PLACES TO LIVE AS A STUDENT

UCAS and Which 2022



POST UCAS SUBMISSION

STUDENT FINANCE & CHOOSING FIRM/ INSURANCE

AFTER SUBMISSION

RESPONSES

OFFER

CONDITIONAL
OR UNCONDITIONAL

INTERVIEW

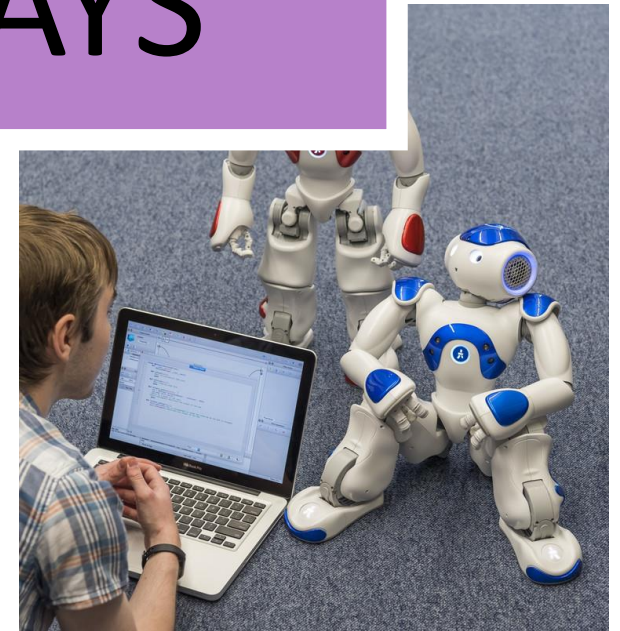
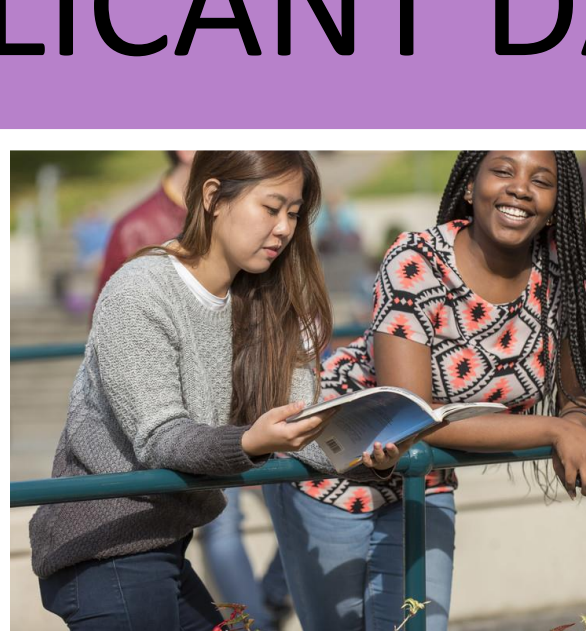
WE LIKE THE LOOK
OF YOU

REJECT

SORRY



OPEN & APPLICANT DAYS





FIRM & INSURANCE

RESULTS DAY

1

ACCEPTED FIRM

2

ACCEPTED
INSURANCE

3

EXCEED FIRM

4

MISS BOTH

FURTHER INFORMATION

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OPEN DAYS & VISITS

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TASTERS & WEBINARS

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OPEN DAYS 2024

SAT 6 JULY

SAT 7 SEPTEMBER

SAT 26 OCTOBER

SAT 23 NOVEMBER

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