

EX-STUDENT GUIDE TO UCAS 2023

Start your UCAS application from June 2022

From June 2022 you can start your UCAS application on www.ucas.com using buzzword **freeman48** - this means your application will come via PSC for checking and attaching a reference. Allocate yourself with one of the Ex-students groups (H35=Ex-students 30s, H10=Ex-students 10s and etc) For help and information about applying to UCAS as an ex-student, please contact the Careers Department, **NOT** your former tutor or subject teachers.

Summer 2022

We advise that you go through your college reference with your tutor before you officially leave college (July 2022), to ensure it is up to date and correct, if you haven't already seen it/discussed it with your tutor. The reference written at the end of your L6 year by your tutor and subject teacher will be used for any UCAS applications.

Autumn 2022

It is advisable to visit the Careers Department to have your application checked by a Careers Adviser before submitting your UCAS application.

Early Internal deadline is Tuesday 27 September 2022 for

- Oxford
- Cambridge or courses in
- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Vet Science

Checking and processing

College UCAS Administration will aim to send your application to UCAS within 20 working days (term time only) if you meet the internal deadline. We will check your application for any major errors, upload your reference and predicted grades for retakes (if relevant) and contact you if any amendments are required.

Internal deadline is Tuesday 22 November 2022 for all other UCAS applications

Once you are happy with your UCAS application (applicant fee is £27.00, paid online with debit/credit card) please press **Submit** and let Careers Department know at ucas@psc.ac.uk

February 2023

Apply for Student Finance

June 2023

Deadline for most students to reply to offers and student finance and accommodation.

SUPPORT FROM THE CAREERS DEPARTMENT

The Careers Department are responsible for supporting and processing ex-students' UCAS applications. We are available to help those who have left the college in summer 2022. The support hours are Monday to Friday 09:00am-10:00 am and 2:45 pm -3:40 pm term time only. Unfortunately, due to demand from current students, we can only see ex-students once, for a 20-minute appointment.

NB We cannot provide one-to-one support for students who left PSC in previous years, however you should still apply through PSC using the college buzzword, where we will be able to process your form and provide you with a college reference. Ex-students can email ucas@psc.ac.uk or phone 01962 857 571

LINK WITH COLLEGE

This means that by adding the buzzword we can check your application and add reference easily, we will then forward your application to UCAS.

RESITS

If you are unhappy with the grades you are awarded and wish to take exams in June 2023, tutoring and examination entries are available through Wessex Tutors in Southampton - <https://www.wessex-tutors.co.uk>. The college will upload your reference and predicted grades for retakes (if relevant).

COMPACT AND CONTEXTUAL OFFERS

A number of Universities have Compact Agreements or Contextual Offers enabling some students to receive slightly reduced conditional offer or additional support, if they meet a certain set of criteria. Contact the Careers Department or universities for further information.

COLLEGE BUZZWORD FOR 2023 ENTRY

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QUALIFICATIONS

Add all qualifications, including U grades and resits you may be taking. Date for qualification is August.

GCSE, EPQ, BTEC

- Please make sure grades match those on your Student Record
- Be careful with typing eg. Number/letter grades, Double Science
- BTECS - make sure using the correct titles, starting with the Exam board, **Pearson/WJEC/OCR**
- EPQ - Add a subject if title is too long and remember this is recorded as a Level 3 Extended Project (exam board Edexcel)

FOR MORE DETAILS, VISIT <https://www.psc.ac.uk/ex-students/> or email ucas@psc.ac.uk or visit our YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=moq6Xu5RH_o