

2022-23 UCAS Timeline for Year 12s

September – October 2022

- Make sure you understand the structure and demands of your school/college courses.
- Start exploring [university events and schemes](#).
- Make notes to effectively identify key information about opportunities that will be most useful to you. Try [this activity](#) to get you thinking.

November – December 2022

- Research the main post-18 pathways: [university](#), [apprenticeships](#) and [employment](#).
- Start applying for university open days, events and schemes, many of which are listed [here](#).
- Keep a record of any experiences you have and subject-specific skills you gain in [a table like this](#).
- Refer to our [skills bank](#) for examples of academic skills most relevant to your chosen subject. You can then use these in your UCAS application.

January – February 2023

- Make sure you understand the [UCAS process and timeline](#).
- Ensure you are familiar with the [structure of the UCAS form](#).



March – April 2023

- Ensure you have a clear understanding of what university study involves and [how it differs from school and college](#).
- Look into wider areas of university life as well, such as [accommodation](#) and [extra-curricular opportunities](#).
- Make sure you know [how student finance works](#).

May – June 2023

- Research the [range of courses](#) available in your subject, including [joint/combined honours degrees](#) if applicable.
- Make your preliminary HE course choices. Give [this activity](#) a go to get you focused on some of the key factors.
- Ensure you are aware of any additional requirements for your chosen courses such as [interviews](#) and [admissions tests](#).

July – August 2023

- Review your HE course choices and their entry requirements.
- Start preparing for admissions tests if applicable to the courses you are applying for.
- Complete your initial personal statement draft over the summer holiday. You can find our key tips for writing an outstanding personal statement [here](#).

[Interested in your next steps? Check out our Year 13 timeline here.](#)

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