APPLYING TO UCAS: a one-day preparatory workshop for Year 12 students

Finding the time to prepare your students for their UCAS applications can be difficult!



You want your students to make informed decisions about the universities they apply to; write outstanding personal statements and feel confident that they have had the best possible support at this important time. But how do you make all this happen?

Our one-day preparatory workshop is the answer!





Our workshop will provide a step by step approach to the whole UCAS process and ensure your sixth-formers have the best possible chance of obtaining a place on the right course at the right university. From deadlines to finances, we cover everything and you can be absolutely sure that you have made the right choice for your students.

Let us field the questions, concerns and uncertainties and relieve some of the pressure placed on your Head of Sixth Form at this time of year. Our partner schools now see our UCAS workshops as an integral part of the Year 12 curriculum because they make such a difference.

What can I expect?

Our workshop covers the whole application process:

- selecting the right course
- comparing institutions
- completing the application form
- writing an effective personal statement
- guidance about what to look out for on open days
- looking ahead: finance and budgeting

During the day students will produce a detailed plan for their personal statement, draft out key paragraphs, practise their interview techniques and write an action plan for the weeks and months ahead. This stimulating programme will give your students more confidence as they embark on their UCAS journey and will prepare them in tangible ways to present themselves effectively and understand what they can be doing now to increase their chances of success.

What is a UCAS workshop like?

The day will be interactive and require each student's full participation. Packed full of practical activities, students will be working both collaboratively and independently to identify their own needs and to think carefully about how to choose a university that best suits them.

Each student receives a personalised 'UCAS pack' to work through over the course of the day, filled with exercises, useful tips, guidance and information designed to make the application process as clear as possible. If any students need further help or advice our consultants are contactable for six months following the workshop, ensuring every individual has the support they need to make wise future decisions.

DATE	ACTION	Not doing Centigrade
By end of July	Research sectors and jobs section on UCAS site, then decide whether or not to do Centigrade	
By end of August	Research all Civil Engineering courses and decide my most important criteria – pick top 10	Surrey, Nottinghom, Coventry book good so for
By end of September	Ask my form tutor to review choices with me. Recheck estimated grades in all 4 A levels	Need to arrange a time to see form tutor

Due to the personalised nature of the programme it is not possible to take more than 20 students on this workshop.

What the students say...

Everything was brilliant, I wasn't too keen on coming but I am so glad I did. The help was excellent and if I had to do it alone I would have found it difficult.

Year 12, Academy, North London

6 It was good and helped me with finding the right path to the subject I want to take. Starting my personal statement made me feel more organised.

> Year 12, Academy, West Midlands

6 6 Really helpful, it cleared up a lot of questions I had and has helped me in the application process and in choosing my University.

> Year 12, Shoeburyness High School, Essex

6 I was very vague on the application process, personal statement etc and this workshop was just what I needed. Very informative and incredibly useful - I feel that I now know everything about my university application.

Year 12, St Thomas More Catholic School, Bedford

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