



University
of Dundee

Applying to university

Recruitment Team, Oct 2023



Timeframes

- September
 - UCAS open
 - Open Days
- October
 - 16 October - Application deadline for Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary and Oxbridge
- January
 - 31 January – All applications deadline
 - Interviews for Medicine and Dentistry
- May
 - Must reply to university offers
- Check for school deadline!



Register
Online



www.ucas.com

- Register
- Set username and password
- Create security questions
- Enter school buzzword

Personal
Details



- Personal Details
- Residential Status
- Convictions
- Disability
- Additional Info

Choices



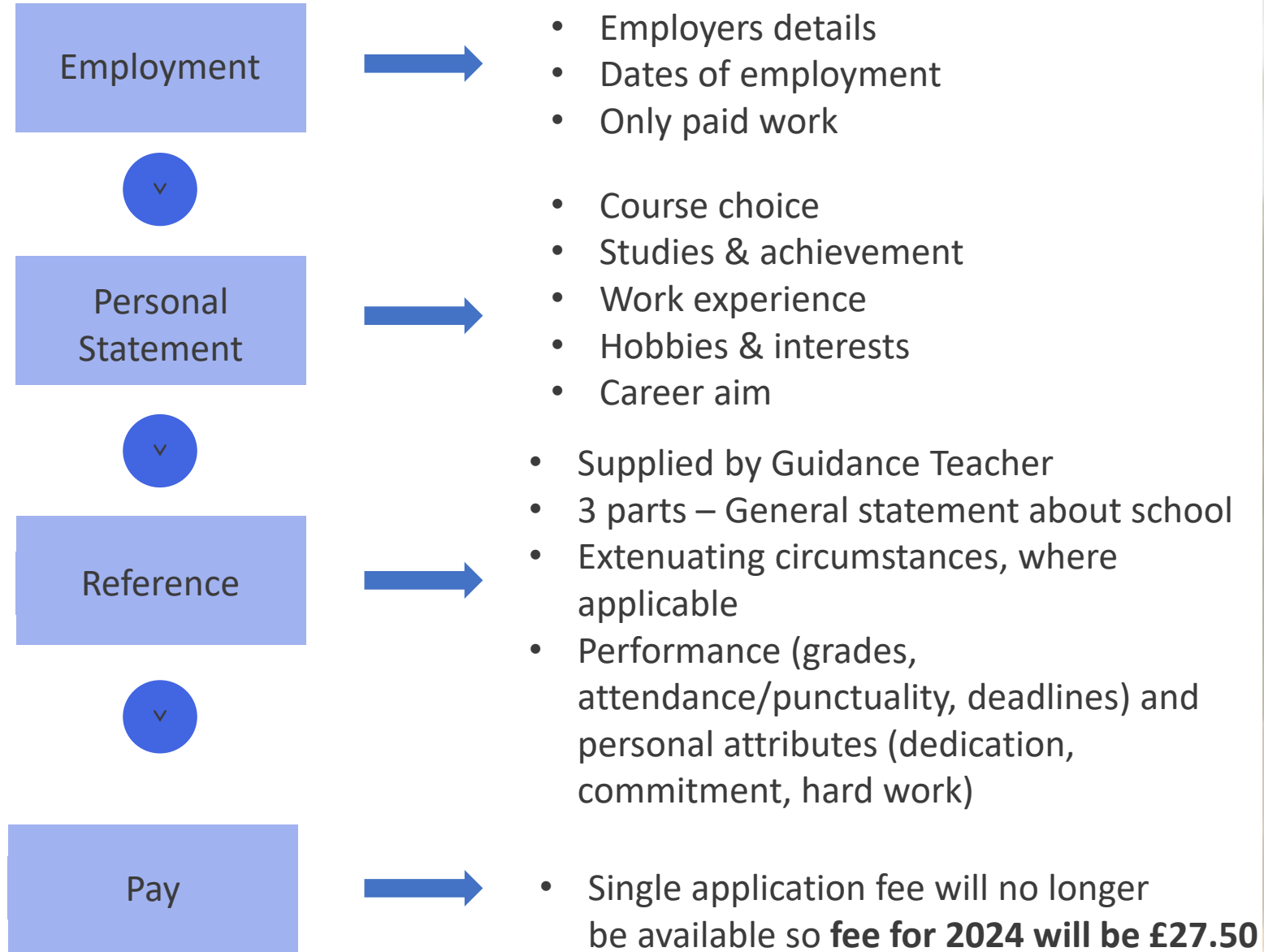
- 5 choices
- Universities and course choices
- When you would like to start

Education



- Schools attended
- SG/Int/Nat 5/GCSE
- Highers
- Advanced Highers
- Any additional qualifications (UKCAT/LNAT)





UCAS – 5 choices

- Options:
 - 1 course at 5 different universities
 - 1 university with 5 different courses
 - Combination of different courses at different universities
- 1 personal statement for all 5 choices
- Complete thorough course and university research
- Make realistic choices
- Be confident that your choices meet your personal requirements



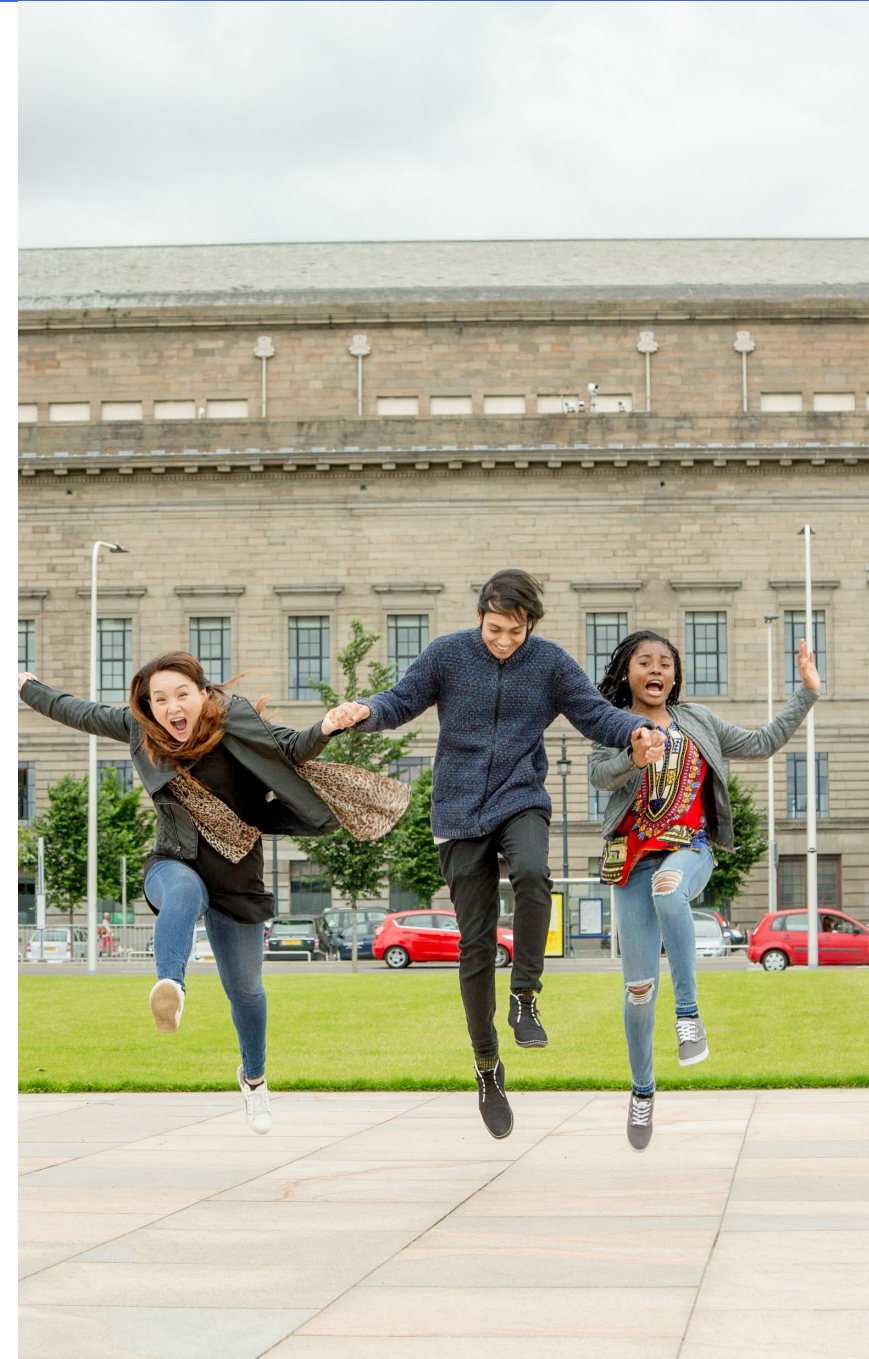
Entry Requirements

- Have you met the minimum entry requirements (grades, including Nat 5s/Highers and essential subjects)?
- Are you predicted above the minimum entry requirement?
- Widening Access – Contextual Admissions policy
- Work experience – is it essential?
- Have you taken part in extracurricular activities?
- Do you have a good understanding of the course/sector?
- Have you demonstrated your enthusiasm for the course/subject ?



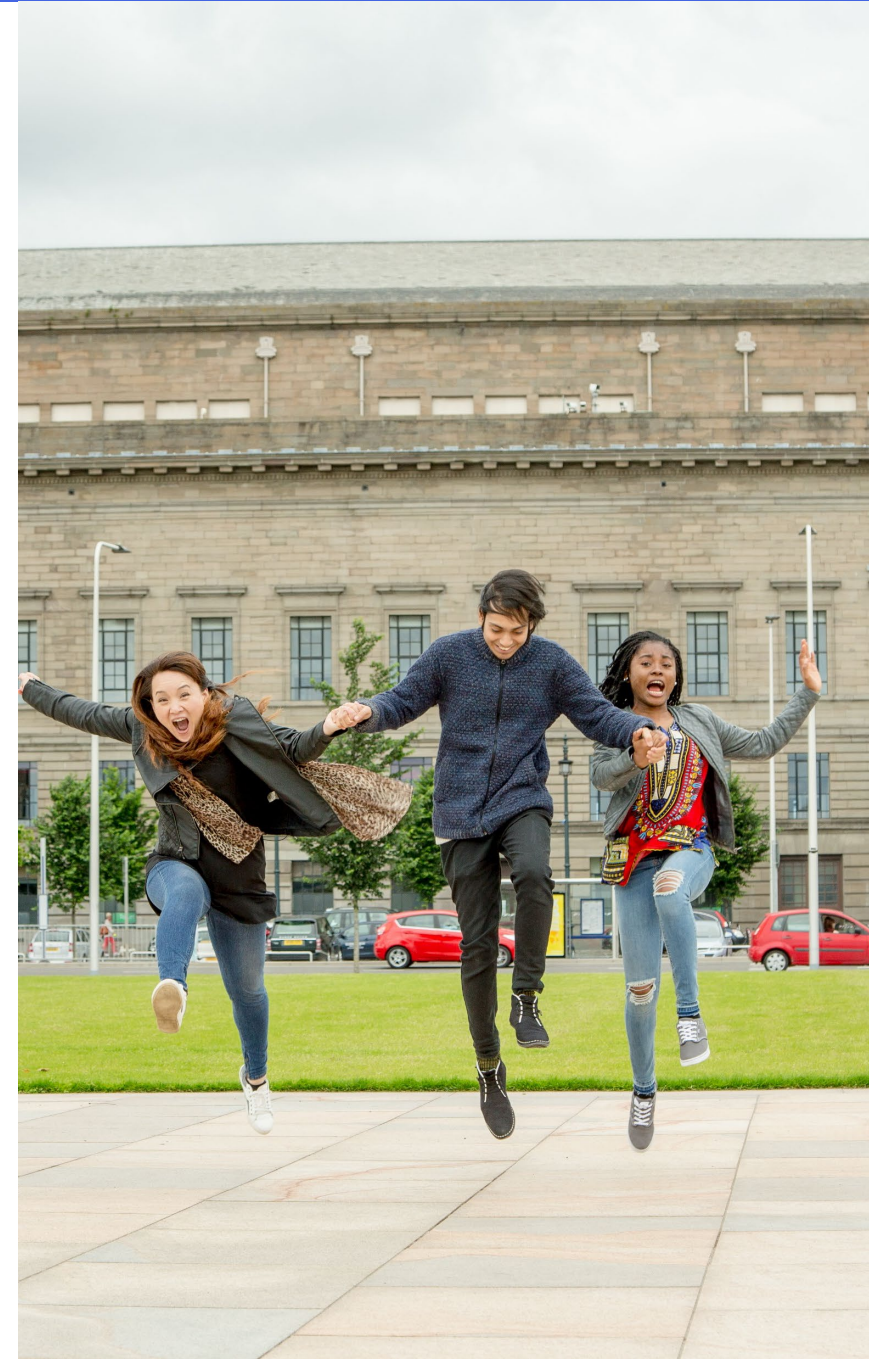
Crafting your personal statement

- Course choices
- Studies and other achievements
- Work experience and volunteering
- Hobbies and interests
- Career and/or further study aspirations



Linking strengths to course

- ABC
 - Activity – What have you done?
 - Benefit – What skills, knowledge or experience has it given you?
 - Course – How does that relate to your chosen course?
- Example – Social Work
 - A: Part time work at hotel
 - B: Communicating with the public, handling difficult situations
 - C: Working as part of an interdisciplinary team and communicating with a diverse range of community members.



Personal Statement

Do	Don't
→ Check your spelling and grammar	→ Waste space listing courses
→ Be clear and concise	→ Be over the top and unrealistic
→ Make relevant links to your chosen course	→ Use colloquial language
→ Include extracurricular activities	→ Use cliché openings
→ Show interest in the curriculum	→ Mention one particular university if applying to others
→ Use the full text allowance	→ Be too short or vague
→ Have good structure and flow	→ Plagiarise
→ Be positive	
→ Write and review	
→ Make best use of guides	



Thank you. Questions?

Join our webinar series:

- Apply to University (Repeated. Mon 6th Nov)
- Parents, carers, supporters and preparing your student for HE (Tues 7th Nov)
- Personal statements (Wed 8th Nov)

