



UNIVERSITY OF
LEICESTER

Choosing a University Course

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Thank you for joining me!

Who am I?

Alisha
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**Where am I
from?**

Coventry (West Midlands)

What did I study?

MChem Chemistry
PhD Chemistry
University of Leicester





Applying to University

Presentation Overview

- Choosing a course and University
- Application timeline and process
- Personal statements





What are the benefits of University?

✓ Increased earning potential



Average starting salary is £27,000

✓ Enhanced subject knowledge



Become an expert in 1 or 2 subject areas

✓ Develop transferable skills



82% of employers don't ask for specific degrees

✓ Improved Career Prospects



More job opportunities across multiple sectors

✓ Personal Development



Gain confidence, independence, meet friends for life



50,000
How many courses
are there in the UK?
Courses





How to choose a course?

Things to consider

- What do you **enjoy**?
- What courses are on offer?



Something traditional?

Over 50,000 different courses!

- American Studies
- Archaeology and Ancient History
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Criminology
- Economics
- Education
- Engineering
- English
- Geography
- Geology
- Historical Studies
- History of Art and Film
- Law
- Management
- Mathematics
- Media and Communication
- Medicine
- Modern Languages
- Natural Sciences
- Nursing & Midwifery
- Physics and Astronomy
- Politics and International Relations
- Psychology
- Sociology



Research the details...



Study Research Partnerships and Enterprise Alumni Giving About



- Histories of Violence
- Modern Ireland, 1939-1975
- Gender History
- Jack-the-Ripper: Crime, Popular Culture and Policing in Victorian Times

Start date: 2019



Department of History

- Rome and its Empire (14-235AD)
- Intoxicants in Early Modern England
- Trumpism
- The History of Terrorism

How it works

Overview

Year one

Year two

Final year



Springpod[®]

A careers platform with course and university resources...

Go explore now...

<https://university.springpod.com/subject-spotlight/university-of-leicester-media>



The screenshot displays the Springpod website interface. At the top, there are two video thumbnails: one titled "BORDERLINES: THE POLITICS OF TERRITORIAL TROUBLE" with the subtitle "Politics & International Relations with Kelly Staples", and another titled "HOW HAVE COMPUTERS IMPACTED BIOLOGY?" with the subtitle "Biological Sciences with Richard Badge". Below these, the "Discover" section features a search bar with the text "Start searching...". To the left of the main content area are several filter sections: "Filter by type" with buttons for "Degree Taster", "Read & Watch", "Story", "Subject Spotlight", and "University"; "Filter by" with buttons for "Read" and "Watch"; and "Filter by tags" with buttons for "Accommodation", "Applying to uni", "Clearing", "Exam Tips", "Gap years", "Life at uni", "Mental health", "Open Days", "Personal statements", "Preparing for uni", "Scholarships and funding", "Student Finance", "Study Tips", "The university system", "Types of course", "UCAS", and "Work experience". The main content area below the filters is a grid of university-related images and text, including "York St John University", "University of Chichester", "The University of Surrey", "University of Derby", "University of Sunderland", "University for the Creative Arts", "University of Wolverhampton", "Oxford Brookes University", "SOAS", "University of Leicester", "University of Aberdeen", and "UCL".



How to choose a course?

Things to consider

- What **courses** are on offer?
- Qualifications and **entry requirements**?



Searching for entry requirements

- GCSE and Further Education Qualifications
- Subject Specific Requirements
- Interviews and Admissions Tests

Home / Courses / Accounting and Finance BSc

Accounting and Finance BSc

3-4 years

Accounting and finance go together like money and banks. And studying them side-by-side will give you the skills and experience to work in areas such as professional accountancy, investment banking and financial management.

Start date: 2023 2024

Typical offer	ABB	UK fee	£9,250
UCAS code	72N7	International fee	£18,200
Institute code	L34	Taught by	School of Business

[Business facilities](#) → [Scholarships](#) →

Accredited by ACCA

Accredited by ICAEW

Accredited by CIMA

Course description	<h3>Entry requirements</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A/AS-levels: ABB. All subjects accepted. Two AS-levels may be considered in place of one A-level.• EPQ with A-levels: BBB + EPQ at grade B.• GCSE: Maths at grade B (5) plus English Language at grade C (4).• Access to HE Diploma: Pass relevant diploma with 45 credits at Level 3, including 30 credits at Distinction.• International Baccalaureate: Pass Diploma with 30 points overall including a minimum of grade 5 in SL Maths Analysis and Approach, grade 4 in HL Maths or grade 6 in SL Maths Application and Interpretation if not held at GCSE.• BTEC Nationals: Full Diploma with DDD, Diploma in Business preferred.• T Levels: Distinction in either: Accounting or Finance (plus GCSE Maths grade 5 and English language at grade 4) <p>Other national and international qualifications considered. If you do not meet the entry requirements for this course, you can apply for the International Foundation Year – Economics and Management run by the Global Study Centre. The GSC provides academic support to help you progress to your chosen undergraduate degree at the University of Leicester.</p> <p>Second Year Entry may be possible with suitable qualifications.</p>
Entry requirements →	
Fees and funding	
Accreditation	
Careers and employability	
Related courses	
Sustainable Development Goals	

Explore course pages...
www.le.ac.uk/courses



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- What **courses** are on offer?
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- Your preferred **learning style**?



Studying at University

Lectures:

- Big lecture theatre
- Bulk of your contact hours

Seminars/tutorials:

- Smaller group classes
- Discuss and debate lecture content

Practicals/labs:

- Application of lecture/tutorial content
- Take up to 3/6 hours

Assessments:

- Vary depending on course
- Weighted differently depending on course





Example Timetable

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
9.00		Mental health mentor		Practical research skills (LAB)	Psychopathology	
10.00	Psychopathology	Individual study time	Social and developmental psychology			
11.00			Individual study time	Individual study time	Social and developmental psychology	Group study time
12.00	Practical research skills LEC	Practical research skills LEC				
13.00						
14.00	Cognitive Neuroscience				Personal tutor meeting 1-1	
15.00		Psychopathology Tutorial				
16.00						
17.00						

- Released at the start of every term
- Common 1st year across most subject areas (specialise in 2nd and 3rd Year)

Independent study

- Study more of what you're interested in
- Shape your dissertation/final year project
- Help define career



How to choose a course?

Things to consider

- What **courses** are on offer?
- Qualifications and **entry requirements**?
- Your preferred **learning style**?
- Is the course **accredited**/highly ranked?



Our global and national reputation

10th

in the UK

English

Guardian
University Guide
2024

10th

in the UK

Medicine

Complete
University
Guide 2023

15th

in the UK

**Aerospace
Engineering**

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University
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20th

in the UK

Computer Science

Guardian
University
Guide 2023

8th

in the UK

Criminology

Complete
University
Guide 2024



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- Your preferred **learning style**?
- Is the course **accredited**/highly ranked?
- **Career** ideas?
- **Study abroad** or **placement year**?



Study Abroad?





Choosing a University

Things to consider:

- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?



Our Campus

- Campus University close to the city
- Great Academic and sports facilities
- Investing £500 Million into campus
- Digital study room and social nooks
- 24/7 Library in term
- Botanic Garden
- On-campus GP





The City

- 15 minute walk to the city
- Diverse and Inclusive
- Biggest Diwali Festival outside India
- Coffee, Clubs, and Bars
- Successful sports
- Food Festivals
- Shopping- big brands to quirky outlets
- Great transport links to other nearby cities





Choosing a University

Things to consider:

- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?
- Commute or live away from home?
- Location?



How to choose your room

- 90 different room formats
- All contain a bed, a wardrobe, a desk and chair, storage, and Wi-Fi
- Apply for up to six room types/location combinations
- Can specify single or mixed gender flat
- All First Years guaranteed managed accommodation (if you apply before 1st September)
- Accommodation application portal opens in December each year!

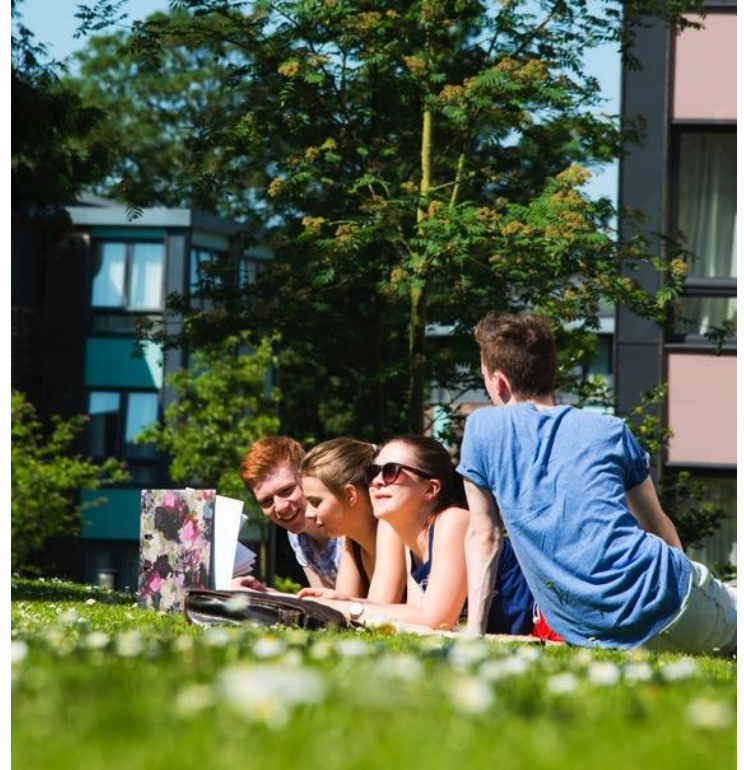
Your room options



Accommodation

The Village

- 2 miles from campus
- Popular with first years (social life)
- 5 halls of residence, each with their own distinctive features and range of room types/prices
- An amazing amount of green space – (University's Botanical Garden)
- Free Shuttle Bus to and from campus

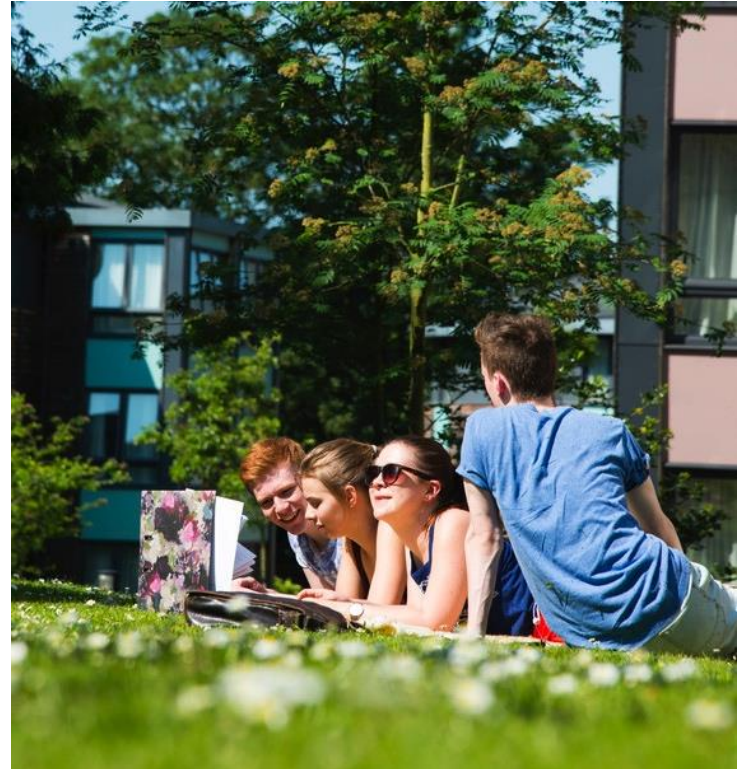




Accommodation

The City

- 10 minute walk to campus
- Convenient for city centre, train station, Library and the Danielle Brown Sports Centre
- Brand new accommodation blocks in Freeman's Common (most rooms are en-suite)
- Regular social events
- Can get bus to The Village for all the events and facilities taking place there





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Things to consider:

- Does the university do the course you want?
- Campus or city university?
- Commute or live away from home?
- Location?
- Rankings?
- Facilities and services?
- What other experiences does the university offer?



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Times Higher
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World University
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in the UK

Research
Excellence
Framework
REF2021
(Times Higher Education)



Student Support Services

Student Welfare Service:

- Provides practical support and guidance on finances and accommodation.
- welfare@le.ac.uk or 0116 223 1885

Student Wellbeing Service:

- Free, confidential and professional service for registered students at the University of Leicester.
- wellbeing@le.ac.uk

AccessAbility:

- Offers support for disabled students and those with long term conditions. Ranges from exam arrangements to study support.
- accessable@le.ac.uk

Standing Together:

- A university wide programme improving wellbeing through tackling unacceptable behaviors
- 1-2-1 appointments
- Anonymous reporting via <https://reportandsupport.le.ac.uk>

Health Assured:

Access to counselling support for our students. 24/7 with no waiting time



Social Opportunities

- 120 different countries represented by students
- 175+ Societies
- 40+ Sports Clubs: [Varsity](#)
- Freshers week: <https://www.yourfreshersguide.com/leicester-freshers/>

Follow us on [TikTok](#) for the University of Leicester Student Experience!





Scholarships

What's on offer?

Mature
Student
Scholarship
£1000

University of
Leicester
Scholarship
£1000

Sports
Scholarships
Up to
£2000

Music and Choral
Scholarships
£1000-
£500

<https://le.ac.uk/study/undergraduates/fees-funding/scholarships-and-discounts>



Citizens of Change Scholarship

What's on offer?

- 25 scholarships: **£15,000** (£5,000 per year for the first 3 years of your course).
- 50 scholarships: **£7,500** (£2,500 per year for the first 3 years of your course).

Who is eligible?

- Any student who has applied to the University of Leicester and holds an offer to study with us on a **full time campus-based undergraduate course** starting in September 2024.
- Successful applicants will need to have made Leicester their **firm choice** and have met the conditions of their offer

How do I apply?

- Create a short video (**60 seconds max.**) that answers the question: **“What do you want to change?”**. The video must be in portrait orientation – we suggest making use of TikTok or Instagram Reels.
- Submit your video URL by completing the Citizens of Change Scholarship submission form. If creating your video on TikTok or Instagram please tag **@uniofleicester** and **#CitizensOfChange**.

A photograph of four young adults sitting on a spiral staircase. From top to bottom: a man in a black jacket and headband, a man in a grey sweater, a man in a tan jacket and blue jeans, and a woman in a pink sweater and light pink pants. The staircase is outdoors, with a brick building and a window in the background. A white rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the text 'Application Process' in red.

Application Process



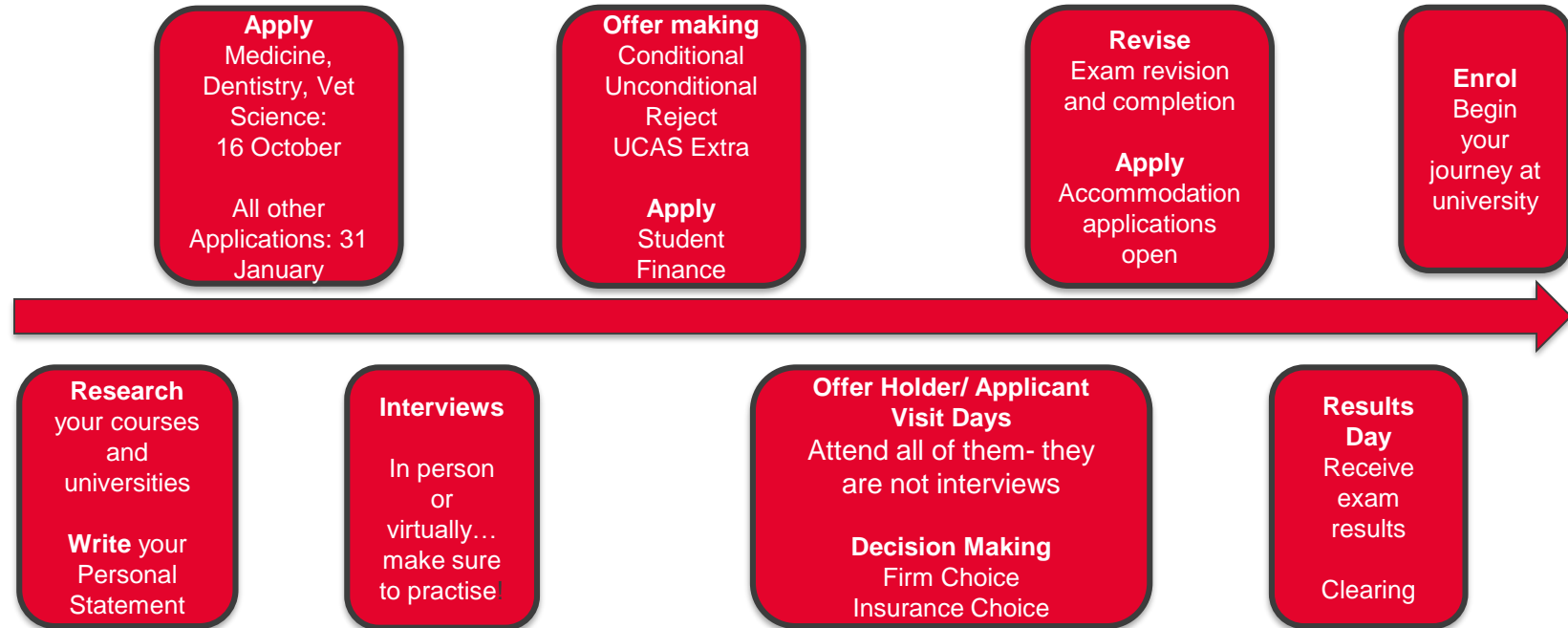
Your UCAS Application

- You submit 1 application via UCAS
- You have a maximum of 5 choices
- But if you chose Medicine, Dentistry or Vet Science then you have a maximum of 4
- Your place of study will provide a reference to you





The Application Timeline





The Basics

What is a personal statement?

Showcase you as a person and prove you deserve to be made a university offer

- Submitted via **UCAS**
- **4000** Characters
- **1 statement** for all **5 applications**
- UCAS detection service



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London to Leicester





Where is Leicester?



2 hours 10 mins
from Langley



1 hour 3mins
St Pancras → Leicester





Why move to Leicester?

- **Diverse:** 1st largest Diwali Festival outside of India
2nd largest Caribbean Festival in UK
- **Affordable:** 3rd cheapest student city
- **Accessible:** City and countryside living
- **Vibrant:** Shopping, restaurants, night life, arts, sports, culture





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Thank you
Any questions?
www.le.ac.uk/chat



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