

Introduction to University

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Hi, I'm Sarah Beth

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Based in and native to Reading/Wokingham area.

Graduated from Bournemouth University in 2017 with a BA (Hons) in Scriptwriting for Film and Television.

Graduated from Middlesex University in 2020 with a PGCE in Drama with English.



University of Hertfordshire

- Based in Hatfield
 - Close to St Albans, Welwyn Garden City and Stevenage
- Located 25 minutes by train from London Kings Cross
- 32,000+ students
- 140+ nationalities represented
- 500+ course options available

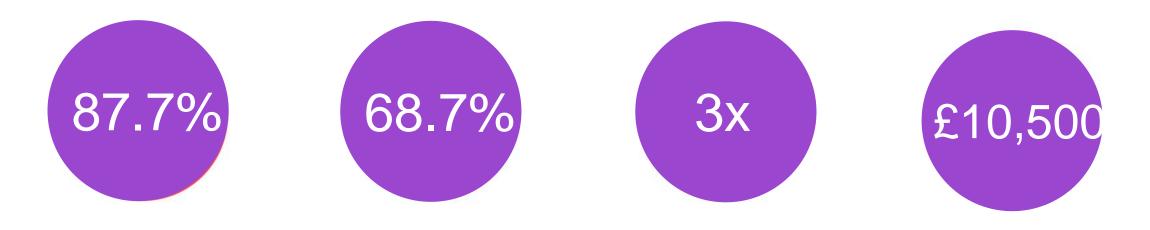


The benefits of a degree

- Improve your earning potential
- Improve your employment prospects
- Specialise in a subject that interests you
- For the university experience!



Graduate prospects



87.7% of graduates in employment

69.6% of non-graduates in employment

3x more likely to have a high skilled job

Earn on average £11,500 more per year

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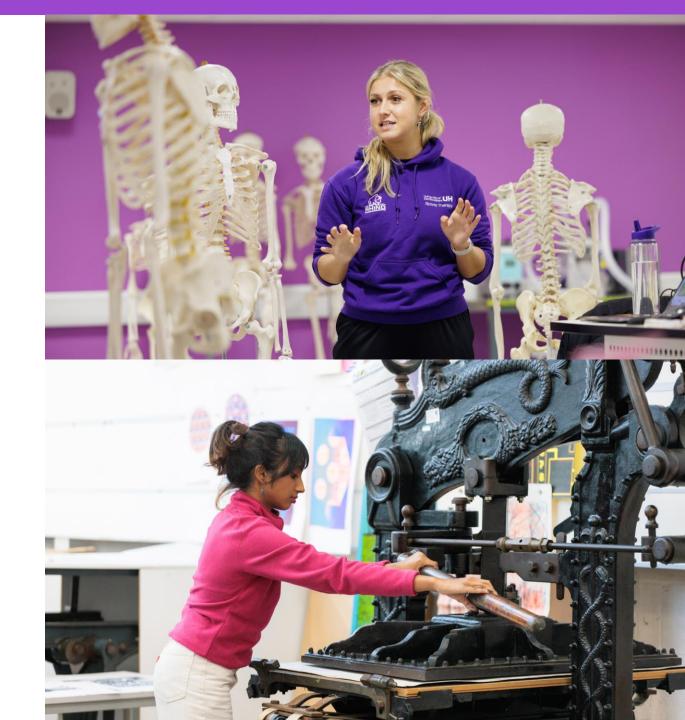
92.7% of UH graduates are in employment or further study 15 months after graduating 75.9% of UH graduates are in graduate level jobs 15 months after graduating

Study a specialized subject

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Things to think about...

- Some jobs will require a specific degree to get into them
- Most graduate jobs just require a degree as proof of a developed skillset
- If you are not sure what job you want to do yet, that's OK
- Doing a degree in a subject you love will open up opportunities later on
- There will be course in subjects that you've never even heard of!



Courses

Accounting and Finance, Aerospace Engineering, 3D Animation, Architecture, Fashion and Fashion Business, Environmental Management, Graphic Design, Pharmacology, Music Industry Management, Event Management, Robotics and AI, Radiotherapy, Dietetics, Journalism, Criminology, Astrophysics, Automotive Engineering and Motorsport, Live Sound and Lighting Technology, Midwifery, Philosophy, Sports Coaching, Comics and Concept Art, Tourism Management, Business



Type of courses

- Single Honours Study one subject
- Joint Honours Divide your time 50:50 between two subjects
- Major/Minor Study two subjects, normally at a 75:25 ratio
- Combined Honours Study two to four subjects, specialising in just two subjects in 2nd and 3rd year
- Foundation Year Some universities and colleges offer these if you haven't got the right grades or qualifications to enrol in university straight away
- Sandwich courses Courses with one year in industry or a year abroad

Study Abroad Opportunities

South Africa, United States of America, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Uruguay





Work Placement Opportunities

- Extend your degree and do a Paid Work Placement Year
- Opportunities to work with big brands e.g: Disneyland Florida, Porshe, Rolls Royce, Warner Bros, L'Oreal and TUI
- Earn on average, between £16
 £18K





Study in state of the art facilities











The Experience

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Clubs and societies

Baking society, Cheese Society, Climbing Club, Drama society, Global Students society, Go Karting society, Green **Movement Society, Hindu** society, LGBT+ society, Live Music Society, Musical Theatre society, **Poetry Slam society, Pool & Snooker society, RAG (Raise** & give), Ski & Snowboard society, Salsa society, Tabletop Gaming, **Trident Media, UH Racing** team, Ultimate Frisbee society, **Urban Dance society**









Accommodation



Live away from home

- Independence
- Opportunity to live with friends
- Become fully immersed in the university experience





Living at home

- 45% of our students commute to campus
- Potentially cheaper living costs
- Familiar, supportive environment
- Consider accessibility/cost of transport



Student wellbeing services

- One-to-one Counselling Sessions
- Group Counselling
- Online Support Group
- Workshops to manage stress and anxiety
- Mindfulness Techniques
- Help with Disabled Student Allowance (DSA) applications



Careers Support

- Careers Team
- On campus careers fairs
- Extra opportunities to get involved and stand out
- @uhcareers
- You can access careers support for 4 years after leaving UH



Applying to University

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What goes on a UCAS application?





Your personal details

Education and employment

Personal statement



Reference from a teacher

Before you apply

- Do you know what you want to study?
- Have you researched your course options?
- Do you meet the entry requirements?
- When are your important dates and deadlines?
- Do you have all the information and documentation you need?



When searching for your course



Course content





Entry requirements



Teaching methods



Facilities

Important dates

UCAS Undergraduate application opens for 2026 entry.		Cambridge and	18.00 Deadline for applications to 0 Cambridge and for courses in dentistry and veterinary med			UCAS Extra you have use choices and holding an of	seḋ all 5 d not	
Early September 2025		ptember 2025		14th January 2026			30th June 2026	
13th May 2025		15	15th October 20		25 26th Febr		uary 2026	
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How much does it cost to apply?

- Costs £28.50 to apply
- Cost covers all 5 choices and additional choices, if eligible through Extra and Clearing

After submission

- Track your application on your UCAS Hub
- Potential invitation to an interview
- Decisions sent from universities
- You will receive one of three decisions: conditional offer, unconditional offer or unsuccessful application
- Once you have all decisions back from all choices, you then select your firm and insurance choice and decline any remaining offers



Other options

Extra – From 26th Feb 2025

- If you have changed your mind about the course you want to study, received no offers or declined offers
- Add extra choice for consideration, one at a time

Clearing – Opens 5th July 2025

- If you have not met the entry requirements, received no offers or declined offers
- Add clearing choice to your application



Sign up for

Invites to:

- Open Days
- Taster Day
- Online Events
- Talk to current students

Further Information:

- Course/Subject
- Facilities
- Student life
- Support
- Living on campus/commuting
- Advice and Guidance

You can unsubscribe at any time



Thank you



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