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Welcome



Dear visitor

Welcome to UCAS' higher education exhibition. Today is your chance to start broadening your horizons and thinking about what's next.

We all have different interests, motivations, strengths, and ways we prefer to learn, that will influence our future pathway. Friends, family, and teachers will most likely have an input but ultimately, the choice on what to do next has to be your decision.

The first step is to do your research, and today is a great starting point – make sure you make the most of it!

Don't forget, there is a wide range of options available after school or college, so consider them all:

- university or college
- apprenticeships
- gap years
- internships
- volunteering

With our exhibitors, and UCAS experts on hand to help, today's the day to get answers to any questions you may have.

Have fun!

All set to start

exploring your options?

To help you get the most out of your visit today, here are a few reminders...

Be prepared and make the most of your time – if you haven't already, check out who's exhibiting at today's event and make note of those you don't want to miss!

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Ask questions, lots of questions – exhibitors are here to help. Make the most of them and the chance to gather information face-to-face, rather than online.

Start thinking about what you'd like – don't follow the crowd! Use today to find out what interests you most and the different options available in your preferred subject area.

Most importantly, **have fun!** There's a lot going on throughout the day, so get involved!

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Exhibitors and

stand numbers

Here is a list of everyone exhibiting – **time to get researching!**

HIGHER EDUCATION EXHIBITORS	STAND	WEBSITE
University of Aberdeen	8	www.abdn.ac.uk/study
Abertay University	2	www.abertay.ac.uk
Academy of Music and Sound	33	www.academyofmusic.ac.uk
University of Dundee	3	www.dundee.ac.uk
University of Edinburgh	4	www.ed.ac.uk
Edinburgh Napier University	5	www.napier.ac.uk
University of Glasgow	6	www.glasgow.ac.uk
Glasgow Caledonian University	7	www.gcu.ac.uk
The Glasgow School of Art	9	www.gsa.ac.uk
Heriot-Watt University	10	www.hw.ac.uk
University of the Highlands and Islands	11	www.uhi.ac.uk
Imperial College London	12	www.imperial.ac.uk
Newcastle University	13	www.ncl.ac.uk
North East Scotland College	15	www.nescol.ac.uk
Northumbria University, Newcastle	14	www.northumbria.ac.uk
University of Oxford	16	www.ox.ac.uk/study
Queen Margaret University	17	www.qmu.ac.uk

HIGHER EDUCATION EXHIBITORS	STAND	WEBSITE
Robert Gordon University	18	www.rgu.ac.uk
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland	19	www.rcs.ac.uk
SRUC (Scotland's Rural College)	20	www.sruc.ac.uk/study
SOAS University of London	21	www.soas.ac.uk
University of St Andrews	22	www.st-andrews.ac.uk
University of Stirling	23	www.stir.ac.uk
University of Strathclyde	24	www.strath.ac.uk
Ulster University	25	www.ulster.ac.uk/home
University of the West of Scotland	26	www.uws.ac.uk

OTHER EXHIBITORS	STAND	WEBSITE
Army	27	www.army.mod.uk/join
Project Trust	28	www.projecttrust.org.uk
RAF	29	www.raf.mod.uk/recruitment
Royal Navy	30	www.royalnavy.mod.uk/careers
Skills Development Scotland (SDS)	32	www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk
Student Awards Agency Scotland	31	www.saas.gov.uk
UCAS	1	www.ucas.com

Don't forget to keep your ticket handy – if you want to know more about a particular exhibitor, ask them to scan the unique barcode on your ticket so they can send you further information.



Who is where?

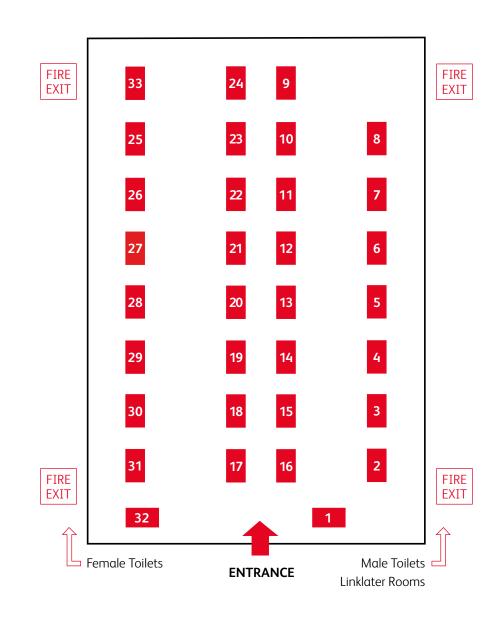
SEMINARS - Old Aberdeen Campus, University of Aberdeen

REGENT WALK REGENT WALK UNIVERSITY PLAYING FIELDS UNIVERSITY ROAD

KEY

(1) FAR LINKLATER ROOM, ELPHINSTONE HALL

(2) KING'S COLLEGE CENTRE



Seminars

Seminars are available to students on a first-come, first-served basis – **tickets are not required.**

Please follow the signs or ask an event ambassador for directions to the seminar rooms.

Far Linklater Room, Elphinstone Hall

Tuesday 25 September 2018

MORNING SESSIONS

10.45 Alternative Routes and Pathways

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

13.45 Alternative Routes and Pathways

EVENING SESSIONS

17.45 Applying to Oxford and Cambridge



King's College Centre Auditorium Tuesday 25 September 2018

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Use this as a guide and reminder of information you should be gathering, to help you start thinking about your future.

Where do I start?

Check out who's at today's event and make a note of the exhibitors you don't want to miss.

How do I make the most of today? What's next?

Gather as much information as possible – ask questions, explore your options, and start to think about what you'd really enjoy.

Reflect on the information you have received today, and start planning your next steps.

Name of exhibitor	Course or subject area of interest	Entry requirements	Open days or visit days	Likes and dislikes	Notes	Rank your top five
	'What do I enjoy most and what are my strengths?'			'Is it a academic or practical based course?'		
		'Do I need to be studying a specific course or get certain grades?'				
'Do I only want to explore options close to home, or try somewhere new?'						
				'Are there any unique opportunties, like a year abroad?'		
	'Am I aware of the wide range of courses available?'					
'Is it definitely uni I'm interested in or are there other options I should consider?'					'If I have questions later on, where can I find out more?	

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UCAS DOs and DON'Ts for personal statements

DOs

- **Do** show that you know your strengths and can outline your ideas clearly.
- Do be enthusiastic if you show you're interested in the course, it may help you get a place.
- **Do** expect to produce several drafts of your personal statement before being totally happy with it.
- Do ask people you trust for their feedback.

DON'Ts

- Don't exaggerate if you do you may get caught out in an interview when asked to elaborate on an interesting achievement.
- Don't rely on a spellchecker as it will not pick up everything – proofread as many times as possible.
- Don't leave it to the last minute your statement will seem rushed and important information could be left out.
- **Don't** let spelling and grammatical errors spoil your statement.

REMEMBER you can write up to **4,000** characters of text to show why you'd make a great student.

For more information visit **www.ucas.com/personalstatement**

Contact details

Venue: Elphinstone Hall University of Aberdeen Regent Walk Aberdeen AB24 3FX

Opening hours: Tuesday 25 September 2018 09.30 - 12.00, 12.30 - 15.00 and 16.30 - 18.30

Contact details before the exhibition 01242 544 808 or email events@ucas.ac.uk

During the exhibition 07741 313 319 or www.ucas.com/exhibitions

General enquiries Event ambassadors, wearing red UCAS t-shirts, will also be available to offer help and advice if you have any queries.

