

End of Cycle 2015 Data Resources

DR3_015_03 Applications by Detailed subject group

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Statistic: Number of Applications

Variables: Subject Group (Detailed Level) , Cycle Year

Coverage: Applications through the main scheme

Definitions

Subject Group (Detailed Level)

Classifies courses into a detailed level of 215 subjects. Each course is assigned up to three valid JACS3 subject codes (e.g. G100 – Mathematics) and a course balance indicator by UCAS, which are available for review by the provider. The course is assigned a subject based on these JACS3 subject codes and balance indicator, it largely correlates to the first two characters of the subject codes. Where there are more than one JACS3 subject codes for a given course, and the balance indicator is dual or triple, the first two characters of each subject code are reported in combination to a relevant category (e.g. Course with dual balance indicator with JACS3 subject codes L370 = Social Theory and M900 = Others in Law is assigned a subject 'Y Combs of soc studies/law'). Please note: Between 2007 and 2011 the subject codes assigned to each course were from the JACS2.0 classification, therefore JACS3 versions of the subject categories have been approximated for 2007 to 2011 to allow a consistent time series.

Cycle Year

The cycle in which the application was processed.

Number of Applications

Application is defined as a choice to a course in higher education through the UCAS main scheme. Each applicant can make up to five choices, which was reduced from six in 2008. The number of applications does not include choices made through the following acceptance routes: Clearing, Extra, Adjustment and RPAs.

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Subject Group (Detailed Level)	Number of Applications by Cycle Year								
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
A1 - Pre-clinical Medicine	72,275	69,020	69,865	80,060	83,185	81,260	82,440	84,850	75,665
A2 - Pre-clinical Dentistry	11,160	10,705	11,755	13,055	12,550	11,630	11,350	11,210	9,875
A3 - Clinical Medicine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A4 - Clinical Dentistry	0	0	0	0	0	0	85	0	0
A9 - Others in Medicine and Dentistry	70	80	180	120	720	1,055	1,165	1,505	1,995
B1 - Anatomy,Physiology and Pathology	28,765	20,550	23,125	28,700	31,910	31,275	32,715	34,145	35,630
B2 - Pharmacology,Toxicology and Pharmacy	28,975	24,500	25,325	28,150	31,715	31,295	30,475	27,395	26,055
B3 - Complementary Medicine	2,860	2,710	2,415	2,640	2,625	1,930	1,770	2,330	2,825
B4 - Nutrition	6,310	5,700	5,860	6,345	6,890	6,235	6,700	6,955	7,245
B5 - Ophthalmics	5,430	4,820	4,620	4,840	5,050	5,015	5,455	5,730	5,940
B6 - Aural and Oral Sciences	7,355	5,560	5,200	6,125	6,060	5,250	5,145	4,970	5,095
B7 - Nursing	58,435	103,555	128,100	184,615	206,180	212,375	224,365	237,990	232,285
B8 - Medical Technology	10,380	8,630	9,795	12,675	14,580	15,520	16,085	15,710	15,275
B9 - Others in Subjects allied to Medicine	37,330	36,450	40,820	51,785	61,940	58,300	59,885	62,970	62,480
BB - Combinations within Subjects allied to Medicine	1,320	1,135	945	1,020	1,155	1,075	1,110	1,305	1,370
C0 - Biological Sciences: any area of study	95	100	145	130	105	0	0	0	0
C1 - Biology	25,095	22,275	24,680	27,790	30,055	30,640	32,290	34,240	37,365
C2 - Botany	130	130	105	100	165	190	175	160	165
C3 - Zoology	6,590	6,000	6,960	9,495	9,920	9,160	9,980	10,620	10,555
C4 - Genetics	2,455	1,960	2,140	2,320	2,340	2,485	2,730	2,645	2,545
C5 - Microbiology	2,320	1,810	2,090	2,320	2,250	2,255	2,370	2,600	2,755
C6 - Sport and Exercise Science	49,905	43,525	49,900	57,355	59,285	54,860	58,750	67,070	71,230
C7 - Molecular Biology,Biophysics & Biochem	13,485	11,730	12,835	14,285	17,880	19,695	20,385	20,505	23,385
C8 - Psychology	80,285	72,620	80,455	93,800	96,660	90,670	98,995	106,225	112,635
C9 - Others in Biological Sciences	3,005	3,060	4,265	5,320	6,190	5,000	5,865	7,665	8,560
CC - Combinations within Biological Sciences	4,195	3,535	2,865	3,320	3,645	3,245	3,440	3,735	3,785
D1 - Pre-clinical Veterinary Medicine	6,430	6,880	7,165	8,155	8,190	8,780	9,040	8,960	8,335
D2 - Clinical Veterinary Medicine & Dentistry	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	100	115
D3 - Animal Science	5,940	6,070	7,020	8,590	9,815	8,785	10,565	11,240	11,685
D4 - Agriculture	4,160	3,860	4,615	6,000	6,850	6,370	6,580	7,265	7,955
D5 - Forestry & arboriculture	230	225	310	370	365	235	275	275	260
D6 - Food and Beverage studies	1,050	1,035	1,410	1,465	1,675	1,815	1,715	1,995	2,360
D7 - Agricultural Sciences	150	150	210	320	350	325	395	355	350
D9 - Others in Vet Sci,Ag & related subjects	180	255	260	185	230	230	210	205	220
DD - Combinations within Vet Sci,Ag & related subjects	290	325	345	490	600	475	450	465	450
F0 - Physical Sciences: any area of study	280	290	300	365	390	0	0	0	0
F1 - Chemistry	20,465	18,590	19,620	22,995	25,205	25,170	27,560	30,075	31,105
F2 - Materials Science	45	55	35	45	30	35	35	50	190
F3 - Physics	18,225	15,395	18,340	20,475	23,970	25,730	27,870	28,970	28,580
F4 - Forensic and Archaeological Science	8,255	7,315	8,005	9,670	10,260	8,775	9,145	9,415	9,670
F5 - Astronomy	700	600	745	860	1,220	1,305	1,230	1,220	1,285
F6 - Geology	6,785	6,265	7,160	7,945	8,085	8,700	9,550	10,335	10,035

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	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
F7 - Science of aquatic & terrestrial environments	6,155	5,520	5,730	6,815	7,215	7,265	7,010	7,090	6,925
F8 - Physical geographical sciences	18,090	16,430	17,970	19,010	19,460	18,340	19,045	18,845	21,055
F9 - Others in Physical Sciences	1,035	950	1,010	965	690	485	370	135	345
FF - Combinations within Physical Sciences	5,410	4,565	2,695	3,040	2,925	2,700	2,840	3,195	3,260
G0 - Mathematical Sciences: any area	80	60	65	35	0	0	0	0	0
G1 - Mathematics	31,175	29,425	37,045	40,500	41,685	40,210	41,980	41,890	43,505
G2 - Operational Research	240	280	310	195	265	410	225	190	120
G3 - Statistics	845	680	795	795	920	910	870	865	905
G9 - Others in Mathematical Sciences	75	60	100	100	15	65	70	60	45
GG - Combinations within Mathematical Sciences	2,990	2,780	2,485	2,565	2,740	2,860	2,770	2,530	2,815
H0 - Engineering: any area of study	480	480	595	615	705	0	0	0	0
H1 - General Engineering	11,595	10,845	12,840	14,430	13,985	14,440	16,710	20,700	22,060
H2 - Civil Engineering	22,490	22,100	25,530	26,750	26,535	23,150	21,705	21,965	23,075
H3 - Mechanical Engineering	27,085	26,180	32,310	36,720	40,520	41,855	45,365	49,320	52,665
H4 - Aerospace Engineering	11,360	9,980	12,410	14,510	14,720	14,170	14,795	16,625	17,580
H5 - Naval Architecture	430	430	510	530	495	450	465	265	340
H6 - Electronic and Electrical Engineering	23,640	20,390	22,255	23,495	24,610	22,995	23,685	24,875	25,040
H7 - Production and Manufacturing Engineering	3,800	3,090	3,185	3,325	3,470	3,070	3,130	3,190	3,250
H8 - Chemical, Process and Energy Engineering	8,450	8,365	10,065	10,810	12,070	13,510	16,770	19,830	23,125
H9 - Others in Engineering	15	5	25	35	35	30	20	245	455
HH - Combinations within Engineering	3,825	3,170	3,055	3,500	3,690	3,625	3,700	4,130	3,690
I1 - Computer Science	53,610	47,475	53,785	59,820	64,910	60,225	68,060	76,895	87,570
I2 - Information Systems	13,965	12,515	13,930	15,925	15,855	12,425	11,350	10,800	10,165
I3 - Software Engineering	6,315	5,975	6,515	7,725	8,945	8,195	9,495	10,155	10,425
I4 - Artificial Intelligence	440	315	325	395	440	385	325	495	485
I5 - Health Informatics	0	0	0	0	0	30	25	20	30
I6 - Games	0	0	0	0	0	2,350	3,530	7,490	9,570
I7 - Computer generated visual & audio effects	0	0	0	0	0	45	270	425	410
I9 - Others in Computer Sciences	65	0	5	110	10	350	495	550	660
II - Combinations in Computer Sciences	5,325	4,845	5,320	6,285	6,940	5,930	6,150	5,470	4,905
J0 - Technologies: any area of study	10	10	15	10	0	0	0	0	0
J1 - Minerals Technology	145	120	165	95	95	100	115	100	70
J2 - Metallurgy	20	20	70	55	80	45	40	80	35
J3 - Ceramics and Glass	0	0	0	0	40	15	15	5	0
J4 - Polymers and Textiles	895	775	890	725	370	345	440	385	430
J5 - Materials Technology not otherwise spec	1,040	965	840	965	995	940	1,020	1,360	1,450
J6 - Maritime Technology	610	565	630	650	620	575	610	585	445
J7 - Biotechnology	865	795	890	1,115	1,175	1,335	1,265	1,660	1,615
J9 - Others in Technology	7,160	6,760	7,955	8,950	8,700	6,580	6,425	6,870	5,970
JJ - Combinations within Technology	25	30	40	45	45	50	75	80	85
K0 - Architecture, Build & Plan: any area	0	0	25	15	0	0	0	0	0
K1 - Architecture	27,215	26,260	28,370	29,585	30,595	26,775	26,140	26,110	27,180
K2 - Building	17,105	16,960	16,720	15,740	14,665	10,995	9,970	9,985	11,015

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K3 - Landscape & Garden Design	660	590	780	865	735	640	715	590	700
K4 - Planning (Urban,Rural and Regional)	4,570	4,130	3,735	3,165	2,960	2,480	2,535	2,540	3,105
K9 - Others in Architecture,Build & Plan	65	75	45	40	60	50	40	45	60
KK - Combinations within Architecture,Build & Plan	1,310	1,215	815	670	545	510	805	800	860
L0 - Social Studies: any area of study	130	105	2,570	3,890	3,815	15	0	0	0
L1 - Economics	39,615	40,385	48,990	48,005	51,425	50,225	51,585	51,270	52,155
L2 - Politics	26,245	24,470	29,350	32,610	35,595	32,255	34,275	36,945	41,740
L3 - Sociology	22,125	20,110	22,090	25,855	27,190	24,255	25,085	29,915	34,400
L4 - Social Policy	4,655	3,920	4,280	5,055	5,880	5,205	5,085	4,535	4,900
L5 - Social Work	59,510	54,765	60,435	80,435	79,435	65,180	60,980	63,770	60,655
L6 - Anthropology	3,695	3,630	3,665	4,185	4,135	5,160	5,965	7,865	9,005
L7 - Human and Social Geography	14,540	13,820	14,580	16,535	15,010	14,450	15,925	17,180	18,245
L8 - Development studies	0	0	0	0	0	245	145	100	320
L9 - Others in Social Studies	2,220	2,165	2,095	2,155	2,750	2,425	2,205	2,705	2,810
LL - Combinations within Social Studies	18,275	15,960	16,870	18,400	17,965	15,840	17,535	17,205	17,260
M0 - Law: any area of study	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M1 - Law by Area	92,975	85,085	91,455	94,205	98,450	98,380	103,315	103,220	108,360
M2 - Law by Topic	4,900	4,105	4,665	4,375	4,560	4,335	5,250	5,155	6,255
M9 - Others in Law	10,045	9,920	12,695	16,025	17,255	12,855	13,085	12,050	11,200
MM - Combinations within Law	2,735	2,290	2,070	2,420	2,585	2,260	2,170	2,230	2,205
N0 - Business & Admin studies: any area	125	105	135	100	75	0	0	0	0
N1 - Business studies	55,275	48,850	57,365	60,330	64,830	59,580	61,020	65,715	69,700
N2 - Management studies	62,650	58,230	62,640	70,500	76,410	71,650	70,300	71,195	80,110
N3 - Finance	7,255	7,460	7,120	6,770	7,820	7,965	8,190	9,080	10,810
N4 - Accounting	30,915	27,380	30,010	32,810	34,915	34,445	32,505	32,355	36,190
N5 - Marketing	19,125	17,210	19,545	20,040	22,105	20,905	22,550	23,870	25,500
N6 - Human Resource Management	3,605	3,290	3,515	3,540	3,980	3,310	3,220	3,280	3,515
N7 - Office Skills	65	45	90	115	155	180	200	185	105
N8 - Hospitality, leisure, sport, tourism & transport	34,605	32,695	37,915	44,935	44,585	37,740	37,090	40,500	38,870
N9 - Others in Business & Admin Studies	2,325	2,025	2,150	2,625	2,885	2,490	2,645	3,705	3,740
NN - Combinations within Business & Admin Studies	64,035	63,850	64,055	68,240	72,445	72,915	79,035	79,795	75,350
P1 - Information Services	545	655	695	720	645	565	575	665	670
P2 - Publicity studies	1,915	1,900	2,430	2,430	3,270	2,670	2,530	2,585	2,475
P3 - Media studies	25,685	23,165	26,095	27,840	29,470	26,495	30,965	34,435	36,460
P4 - Publishing	265	275	395	470	380	220	160	145	135
P5 - Journalism	11,445	11,365	14,675	17,960	20,070	16,240	16,285	16,920	18,090
P9 - Others in Mass Comms & Documentation	3,770	3,325	4,040	4,090	3,390	3,050	2,615	3,090	3,070
PP - Combinations within Mass Comms & Documentation	7,140	6,055	4,780	5,190	5,550	4,550	4,855	4,785	4,255
Q1 - Linguistics	1,895	1,735	2,265	2,735	2,730	2,610	3,070	3,240	3,150
Q2 - Comparative Literary studies	590	530	545	870	740	645	755	825	855
Q3 - English studies	54,225	49,455	57,200	60,390	57,450	52,565	52,155	51,595	51,705
Q4 - Ancient Language studies	65	65	65	60	45	40	45	50	50
Q5 - Celtic studies	700	525	590	745	800	705	550	670	730

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Q6 - Latin studies	50	60	60	65	50	70	35	35	55
Q7 - Classical Greek studies	35	15	25	20	15	20	15	10	10
Q8 - Classical studies	5,500	4,610	5,130	5,065	4,975	4,775	4,545	5,425	5,440
Q9 - Others in Linguistics,Classics & related	360	385	280	355	375	345	415	715	635
QQ - Combinations within Linguistics,Classics & related	5,375	4,795	3,875	4,175	4,315	3,940	4,125	3,995	3,945
R0 - European Langs,Lit & related: any area	630	560	565	565	570	0	0	0	0
R1 - French studies	4,060	3,710	4,180	4,170	4,100	3,515	3,130	2,920	2,480
R2 - German studies	1,485	1,365	1,480	1,485	1,545	1,155	1,080	1,115	895
R3 - Italian studies	385	280	315	290	315	255	135	180	150
R4 - Spanish studies	1,930	1,805	2,035	2,295	2,540	2,210	2,150	1,825	2,015
R5 - Portuguese studies	5	0	15	10	10	10	5	5	5
R6 - Scandinavian studies	75	85	75	75	70	55	75	85	75
R7 - Russian and East European studies	480	425	495	575	460	335	320	325	270
R8 - European studies	10	785	890	450	570	505	465	575	555
R9 - Others in European Langs,Lit and related	4,625	4,135	4,155	4,735	5,380	5,430	5,070	4,730	5,800
RR - Combinations within European Langs,Lit and related	11,205	9,725	10,210	11,055	9,930	9,035	8,835	8,395	7,780
T1 - Chinese studies	815	660	785	830	895	850	865	780	850
T2 - Japanese studies	1,120	1,055	1,415	1,715	1,720	1,145	1,060	1,065	1,285
T3 - South Asian studies	85	90	90	105	140	130	140	195	195
T4 - Other Asian studies	20	20	55	85	145	135	180	170	310
T5 - African studies	70	75	130	135	125	80	55	60	80
T6 - Modern Middle Eastern studies	725	590	580	750	575	530	515	535	460
T7 - American studies	2,505	2,180	2,695	2,885	2,940	2,365	2,130	1,970	2,205
T9 - Others in non-European Langs, Lit & related	3,260	2,325	1,640	1,620	1,600	1,060	950	460	480
TT - Combinations within non-European Langs & related	340	275	435	300	300	405	370	350	305
V0 - Hist & Philosophical studies: any area	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
V1 - History by Period	45,180	42,435	46,890	50,070	50,350	48,525	51,105	52,935	53,870
V2 - History by Area	440	355	445	510	655	605	620	580	710
V3 - History by Topic	6,660	6,345	6,920	7,240	6,865	6,190	5,365	5,545	5,575
V4 - Archaeology	3,100	2,230	2,545	2,785	2,485	2,210	2,505	2,180	2,200
V5 - Philosophy	9,060	7,845	9,355	9,920	9,555	8,090	8,160	8,665	9,480
V6 - Theology and Religious studies	6,120	5,355	5,415	6,050	5,765	4,930	4,595	4,690	4,765
V7 - Heritage studies	0	0	0	0	0	15	10	45	40
V9 - Others in Hist & Philosophical studies	555	495	540	530	590	385	370	240	240
VV - Combinations within Hist & Philosophical studies	8,080	7,250	7,130	7,540	6,925	6,280	6,155	6,680	6,050
W0 - Creative Arts & Design: any area	125	400	350	310	360	0	0	0	0
W1 - Fine Art	19,540	18,215	19,175	26,610	29,075	23,145	24,190	25,075	25,180
W2 - Design studies	71,950	69,860	76,905	102,320	108,225	91,115	91,145	97,025	97,540
W3 - Music	25,995	22,280	24,310	27,665	28,910	26,625	32,110	37,180	39,815
W4 - Drama	48,250	43,155	48,680	53,325	53,595	45,790	48,075	49,610	50,525
W5 - Dance	6,870	6,950	7,680	9,035	9,605	7,875	7,785	7,805	7,590
W6 - Cinematics and Photography	32,110	30,305	34,425	41,255	44,355	36,255	34,785	35,370	38,480
W7 - Crafts	2,075	2,065	1,925	2,275	2,260	1,710	1,470	1,330	1,410

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W8 - Imaginative Writing	2,205	2,270	3,130	3,555	3,815	2,985	3,070	3,470	3,300
W9 - Others in Creative Arts and Design	1,580	1,530	2,035	2,110	2,765	2,350	2,555	2,060	2,345
WW - Combinations within Creative Arts and Design	17,855	15,690	16,885	18,355	18,990	14,980	13,340	13,425	11,970
X1 - Training Teachers	46,885	40,945	46,740	52,765	54,520	49,695	44,755	42,490	53,665
X2 - Research and Study Skills in Education	45	50	60	120	100	70	145	100	105
X3 - Academic studies in Education	23,305	23,350	26,170	31,940	36,710	33,480	35,955	38,350	37,210
X9 - Others in Education	485	565	600	510	455	400	460	665	645
XX - Combinations within Education	1,425	1,245	1,385	2,375	2,495	2,345	2,280	1,870	2,225
Y Combs of arts/humanities	22,540	18,740	18,880	20,865	20,490	16,250	13,710	13,795	11,330
Y Combs of engin/tech/building studies	2,055	1,770	1,075	1,020	980	1,035	895	1,220	895
Y Combs of engineering/technology	1,355	1,185	1,585	1,575	1,805	1,600	1,455	1,705	1,310
Y Combs of languages	10,210	9,170	8,605	9,480	8,990	7,885	7,605	7,520	7,285
Y Combs of languages with arts/humanities	49,760	42,440	39,355	41,760	40,930	34,750	34,960	34,110	33,225
Y Combs of med/bio/agric sciences	16,475	14,590	15,505	18,365	20,135	17,925	18,865	19,450	18,165
Y Combs of med/bio/agric sciences with phys/math/comp sciences	8,625	7,205	6,545	6,415	6,440	5,865	5,725	4,935	4,130
Y Combs of phys/math science with arts/humanities/languages	14,145	11,755	10,570	12,510	12,145	9,925	9,090	7,915	6,000
Y Combs of phys/math science with social studies/bus/law	26,970	24,335	21,210	21,110	18,820	16,465	16,225	16,560	15,185
Y Combs of phys/math/comp sciences	6,685	5,825	5,500	6,015	6,205	5,795	5,685	6,040	6,100
Y Combs of science/engineering with arts/humanities/languages	41,230	37,495	38,835	45,355	45,490	35,670	31,485	27,335	20,445
Y Combs of science/engineering with social studies/bus/law	39,695	36,280	30,060	31,080	29,460	25,415	24,410	23,690	23,415
Y Combs of sciences with engineering/technology	8,425	7,125	6,590	7,350	7,225	6,670	6,785	6,605	5,695
Y Combs of soc studies/law	14,525	12,045	11,695	13,605	14,485	11,815	11,070	11,490	9,675
Y Combs of soc studies/law with business	26,815	24,380	22,025	21,705	19,650	18,280	18,310	19,160	21,765
Y Combs of social studies/bus/law with arts/humanities	54,675	48,170	48,315	52,460	51,150	43,650	43,530	40,455	38,460
Y Combs of social studies/bus/law with languages	23,115	19,940	14,140	14,230	13,715	12,245	11,660	11,535	12,315
Z Combs of 3 subjects, or other general courses	20,255	17,225	18,430	18,990	19,205	26,950	28,440	31,960	34,620
Z Other courses not elsewhere classified	515	190	205	0	0	0	560	15	0
Total	2,355,070	2,195,635	2,387,415	2,720,500	2,847,010	2,636,250	2,711,870	2,824,540	2,891,075