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#### In 2020:

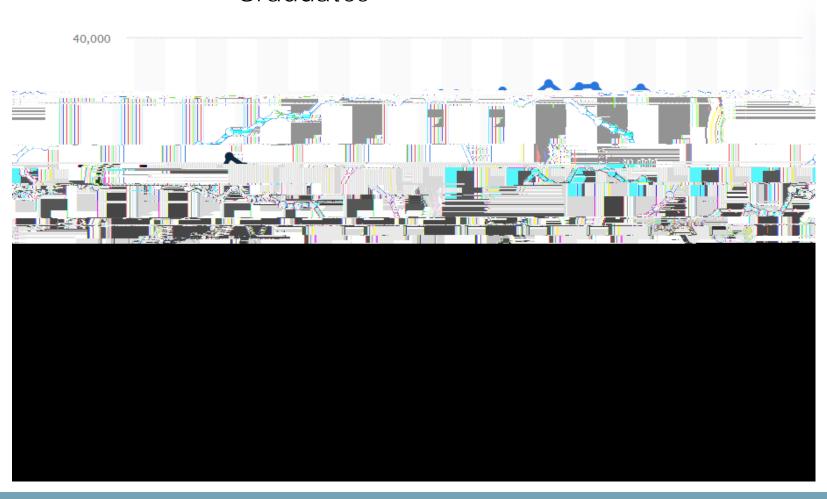
50 % of all 30 – 34 year olds had a degree

729,000 applications to study at university (405,000 in 1994)

2.5 million students studying degrees



#### Graduates



A level



#### New restrictions to higher education entry:

Minimum EE at A level

Minimum 4 + 4 in GCSE Mathematics and English Language



University and Colleges Admissions Service: <a href="www.UCAS.com">www.UCAS.com</a> 5 choices (4 for specific courses\*)

- a) 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022: Oxbridge, medicine, veterinary science, dentistry
- b) 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022: Higher Education courses



- 1. Potential for a more generous offer
- 2. Receiving offers can be extremely motivating
- 3. Able to better focus on studies



### The UCAS application is in 4 main parts:

- a) Personal details and educational qualifications\*
- b) Higher education choices: university and course\*
- c) Personal statement\*
- d) College reference



#### Students receive either:

- a) Conditional offers\*
- b) Unconditional offers
- c) Rejections from universities



A Level Grade	BTEC Extended Certificate	UCAS Points
A*	Distinction *	56
A	Distinction	48
В		40
С	Merit	32
D		24
Е	Pass	16



#### Lancaster University BSc (hons) Economics (L100)

- a) A level grades: AAB
- b) GCSE English Language grade 4

## Lancaster University BA (hons) Economics (L110)

- a) A level grades: ABB
- b) GCSE Mathematics grade 6, English Language grade 4



## Manchester Metropolitan University BA / BSc (Hons) Economics (L100)

- a) 112 120 points (BBC BBB)
- b) GCSE Mathematics and English Language grade 4 Can transfer from BA (Hons) to BSc (Hons) in Year 2 subject to performance in quantitative units in Year 1.





### Offers

Students hold a and an

Firm – Lancaster AAB

offer. For example:



If all applications have been rejected

Or the student wishes to decline all offers and pursue a different undergraduate course



For students who have not met their offers of firm or insurance and therefore do not hold a place

Clearing available on A level and BTEC results day 17<sup>th</sup> August\* 2023

Students contact universities directly to secure a place Opportunity for universities to fill unused places.



Universities are sent A level and BTEC results early (ahead of the formal release to students)

Students are advised to use UCAS.com 2 days prior to research available places

They can then plan



Student submission Progress Mentor check & submission Administration check Final reference check College submission to UCAS



Students have started their on-line UCAS applications already in Personal Development Sessions

Key focus in Personal Development sessions is to explore progression and advise of UCAS applications, including

University Fair, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June – 42 universities represented



Week	In-Lessons	Support Session	
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Some lesson time on exploring university courses, typical offers, careers options, salaries etc	Exploring work experience and volunteering and wider reading and research to support applications	
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Some lesson time on exploring a 'degree level topic'	Personal Statement Support 1	
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Some lesson time on a guest speaker(s)	Personal Statement Support 2	
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Some lesson time on exploring apprenticeship and degree apprenticeship options	Choosing a university of course	





#### There are 4 main types of finance available:

- 1. Tuition fee loan
- 2. Maintenance (living cost) loan
- 3. Maintenance



UCAS application itself costs £ 26.50 (applying for between 2 – 5 courses)

UCAS application costs £ 22 if applying for a single course



The Tuition fee loan is to cover the cost of tuition fees

It is dependent upon income

It is paid directly to the university

Tuition fees are capped for the next 2 years at £ 9,250 per year



Loans to help cover the cost of living Student's eligibility for a loan is income. They are means tested.

upon parental

These are paid direct to the student's bank account



Grants to help cover the cost of living Student's eligibility for a grant is income. They are means tested.

upon parental

These are paid direct to the student's bank account



Household income	Grant
£ 25,000 or less	£ 4,009
£ 25,000 - £ 42,737	Partial grant
More than £ 42,737	No grant



Currently		From 2023 +	
Payback starts £ 27,295		Payback starts from £ 25,000	
Loans written off after 30 years		Loans written off after 40 years	
Interest	RPI + 3 %	Interest RPI	



From 2023 entry repayments start once graduate starts earning £ 25,000 per annum

Repayments are levied at 9 % of earnings over £ 25,000



Some students with specific learning difficulties may be eligible to apply for DSA.

This is to help fund any additional support or assistive technology.

Contact university directly to check for eligibility



## Universities will offer a rang3Ag





## 'Citizens of change 100'

Scholarship for 50 UK undergraduates

Must complete a short 60 second video on

£ 2,500 for 3 years (=£7,500)





# Computer Science: Undergraduate Academic Achievement Scholarship

£ 2,000 one off payment

Criteria: A\*A\*A (including A\* in Mathematics)





#### Biological Science scholarship:

£ 1,000 one off payment

Criteria A\*AA

A\* in either Biology, Human Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, PE or Physics

AA in science of science related subjects



### UCAS accepts applications from September 4<sup>th</sup> 2022

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- b) 18<sup>th</sup>



Support from Progress mentors and teachers
Careers Hub & adviser
Inclusion Centre for one-to-one centre
Support for interviews



courses, universities and their higher

education options Participating in

university tours /

open days

Drafting their

, research and any volunteering to enhance their application