



**Sandringham  
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# Year 12 Parents' Futures Information Evening

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**Please sign in at the back!**



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*'Everybody can be Somebody'*

# Aims of this evening

- To help you understand the application process & key dates for UCAS and apprenticeships
- To understand the preparation we have completed so far this year
- To understand the next steps...

UCAS

We encourage all students to register with UCAS, even those who think they do not want to apply to university – they often change their mind

Apply 2020 – already open [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

[www.ucas.com/parents](http://www.ucas.com/parents)

Students can choose up to 5 choices (4 for medicine, dentistry, vet).

- £24 fee payable to UCAS prior to sending.
- The form will then be sent to us to put a teacher reference on.
- Upon receipt of offers, students choose 1 firm choice & 1 insurance choice.
- Students use Track to follow their application.

# The importance of Level 3 grades and Threshold Exam grades

- Universities make offers based on the grades the school predicts.
- We will use the Threshold Exam grades, report grades and Level 3 exam grades achieved as a basis of our predictions.
- Predicted grades should be ‘aspirational but achievable’ and ‘data-driven’.
- However, they look more at GCSE grades due to the unreliability of A level predictions.

Universities may make offers in two ways:

Subject specific grades e.g. AAA, ABB

Or Tariff points e.g. 120 points (BBB)

BTEC/ Level 3 quals also carry points

AS points don't count if continuing with A level.

Tariff Points	A Level	Vocational course
56	A*	D*
48	A	D
40	B	
32	C	M
24	D	
16	E	P

# Oxbridge



- Deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> October, **internal deadline 27<sup>th</sup> Sept.**
- *Applicant tests will now be used for both universities.*
- Offers are likely to be A\*AA or A\*A\*A

- Feb/March 2019 – focus on futures options, Unifrog launch.
- E day – research and begin personal statements.
- LLL sessions in July and September.
- Saturdays in June and July - university open days.
- First completed draft of Personal Statements is to be handed in on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September.
- Internal deadline for whole application = 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019

- Subject teachers write a UCAS reference detailing ability and engagement in individual subjects.
- Students ask a teacher to be their referee (July).
- Teachers then collate the subject reference and write the full reference.
- Once the student has completed their application and “sent” it, the form is checked and each reference is read and “polished” by Sixth Form staff.

- Email from UCAS confirming details and courses applied to and giving application number required for tracking.
- Copies of the application sent to choices.
- Track the application.
- Accept offers (May)
- 1 firm offer and 1 insurance offer (should be a lower offer)

- **Extra** – for students who get no offers. This avoids waiting for clearing. Students can apply for any course with vacancies. Extra is open from early February – beginning of July.
- **Adjustment** – can opt for a more competitive course if results are higher than expected.
- **Clearing** – courses with vacancies are advertised on [www.UCAS.com](http://www.UCAS.com) for students who don't achieve the grades they hoped in the summer. (Students contact institutes directly).

- Interviews – some courses will always require them (vocational), others are hit and miss. Some are competitive, others less so.
- Choices – no university sees the other choices and they are not made in any ‘order’ on the form.
- Unconditional offers – becoming more common, can persuade students into a choice.

# How parents can help

- Choosing courses
- Open days (on a Saturday where possible)
- Personal statement
- Life skills: cooking, cleaning, laundry
- Budgeting
- Finding certificates for GCSEs
- Finding out about bursaries and other monetary awards, they can be worth thousands
- Support extra-curricular activities

# Open days

- <https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/getting-started/ucas-undergraduate-parents-and-guardians>
- <https://www.ucas.com/ucas/events/find/type/open-day>
- <https://www.opendays.com/>

# Introduction to student finance 2019/20



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# Student Finance England

Student Finance England (SFE) provides financial support on behalf of the UK Government to students from England entering higher education in the UK.

- The two main costs you'll have while studying are tuition fees and living costs.
- **There's student finance available to help you with both.**
- Depending on your circumstances, you could also get extra financial help while you study.

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## Section 1 - What student finance you can get

All 2019/20 policy is subject to Parliamentary approval.

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## Tuition fees

- You won't have to pay any tuition fees up front.
- You can get a Tuition Fee Loan to cover the fee charged by your uni or college.
- The amount you get doesn't depend on your household income.
- SFE will pay the Tuition Fee Loan directly to your uni or college.
- You'll have to start paying your Tuition Fee Loan back when you've finished or left your course, but only if your income is over the repayment threshold.

## Maintenance Loan

You can get a Maintenance Loan to help with your living costs, such as rent.

- All eligible students can get some maintenance support.
- The amount you can get depends on where you live and study.
- You can also apply for more based on your household income.
- The Maintenance Loan is paid directly into your bank account at the start of each term.
- You'll have to start paying your Maintenance Loan back when you've finished or left your course, but only if your income is over the repayment threshold.

# Maintenance Loan

Maximum levels for 2019/20

## Parental home

Live at home while you study

Up to  
**£7,529**

## Living away from home

Outside of London

Up to  
**£8,944**

## London

Live away from home & study in London

Up to  
**£11,672**

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## Section 2 - How to apply for student finance

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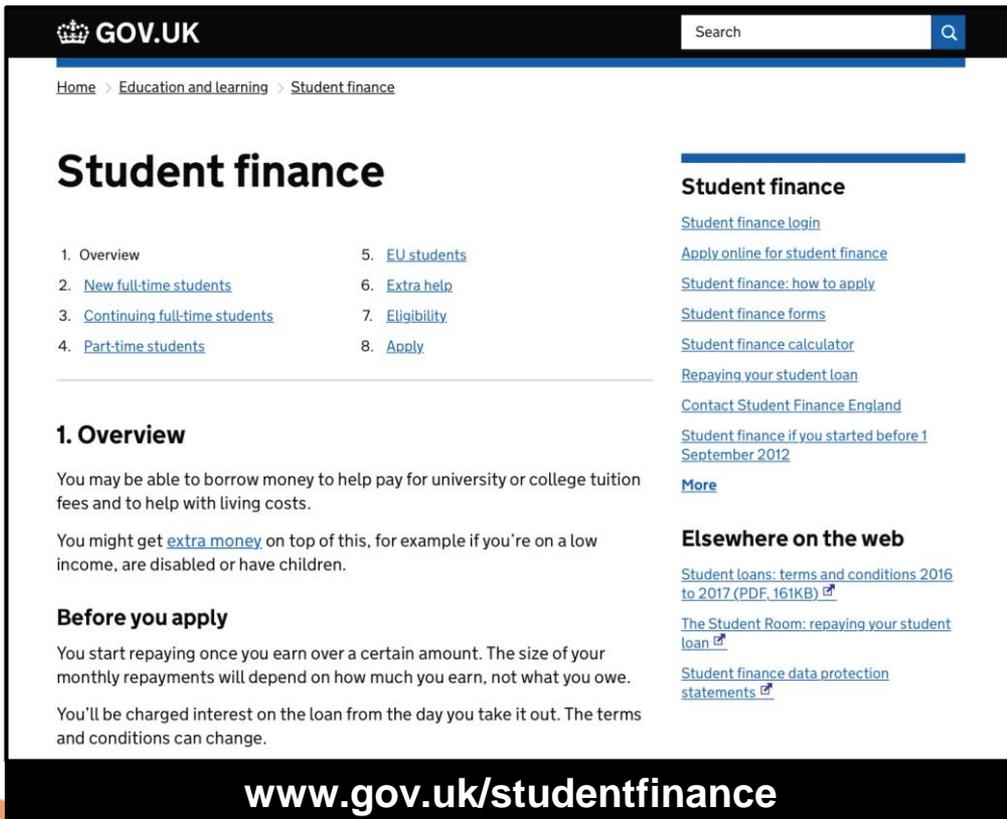
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## Student finance applications

- Apply online at **[gov.uk/studentfinance](https://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)**
- Apply early to make sure your money is ready for the start of your course.
- You don't need a confirmed place at uni or college to apply.
- Apply with your preferred choice, you can change the details later if you need to.

GOV.UK

To apply



The screenshot shows the GOV.UK website page for Student Finance. At the top, there is a search bar and a navigation breadcrumb: Home > Education and learning > Student finance. The main heading is 'Student finance'. Below this is a list of 8 links: 1. Overview, 2. New full-time students, 3. Continuing full-time students, 4. Part-time students, 5. EU students, 6. Extra help, 7. Eligibility, and 8. Apply. The '1. Overview' section is expanded, containing text about borrowing money for tuition and living costs, a link to 'extra money', and a 'Before you apply' section with text about repaying the loan and interest. On the right side, there is a 'Student finance' section with links for login, applying online, how to apply, forms, calculator, repaying a loan, and contacting Student Finance England. Below that is an 'Elsewhere on the web' section with links to loan terms and conditions, a Student Room link, and data protection statements. At the bottom, the URL 'www.gov.uk/studentfinance' is displayed.

GOV.UK

Search

Home > Education and learning > Student finance

## Student finance

1. Overview
2. [New full-time students](#)
3. [Continuing full-time students](#)
4. [Part-time students](#)
5. [EU students](#)
6. [Extra help](#)
7. [Eligibility](#)
8. [Apply](#)

### 1. Overview

You may be able to borrow money to help pay for university or college tuition fees and to help with living costs.

You might get [extra money](#) on top of this, for example if you're on a low income, are disabled or have children.

#### Before you apply

You start repaying once you earn over a certain amount. The size of your monthly repayments will depend on how much you earn, not what you owe.

You'll be charged interest on the loan from the day you take it out. The terms and conditions can change.

### Student finance

- [Student finance login](#)
- [Apply online for student finance](#)
- [Student finance: how to apply](#)
- [Student finance forms](#)
- [Student finance calculator](#)
- [Repaying your student loan](#)
- [Contact Student Finance England](#)
- [Student finance if you started before 1 September 2012](#)
- [More](#)

### Elsewhere on the web

- [Student loans: terms and conditions 2016 to 2017 \(PDF, 161KB\)](#)
- [The Student Room: repaying your student loan](#)
- [Student finance data protection statements](#)

[www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)

More information online  
[www.thestudentroom.co.uk](http://www.thestudentroom.co.uk)

The Student Room

Book a uni open day > Ask a question > log in > sign up > Search The Student Room...

Home Forums GCSE A-level Exam results Applying to uni University Careers & Jobs Relationships & health Student finance

My TSR

### SFE Student Finance Zone

**sfe**  
student finance england

**Student Finance England provides you with student finance while you study.**  
There's a range of financial help available including loans that have to be paid back, and grants that don't. Whether you're thinking about going to uni or college, you're already studying, or you're about to enter repayment, you'll find everything you need to know about student finance on our student finance zone.

**Undergraduate**

**EU Students**

**Postgraduate**

**Parents and partners**

**Repayment**

**Advanced Learner Loan**

**Why we need your household income details now!**

**Get ready for Clearing**

More information online

[www.ucas.com/sfe](http://www.ucas.com/sfe)

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# Student finance in England

Everything you need to know about student finance

**Got questions about student finance?**

Whether you're thinking about studying, or are already a student, you can find out everything you need to know about student finance in England in this section. Content provided by Student Finance England.

**sfe**  
student finance england  
the student finance experts

**Undergraduate funding**

Find out what funding you could get to help with the cost of your undergraduate studies.

- Tuition fees
- Living costs

**Postgraduate funding**

Find out what funding you could get to help with the cost of your postgraduate studies.

- Master's Loan
- Doctoral Loan

**Household income details needed!**

**Disabled Students' Allowances**

**Dependants' grants**

**Other funding**

## How to support an application

- **Your child applies for student finance**
- **You give us your income details**
- **Your child gets paid**

## Section 3 – Repaying your student loan

## How much do you know?

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What will your student loan repayments be based on?

A

Your future income

Q

How much do you need to earn before you start to repay?

A

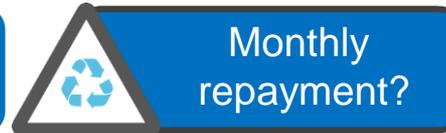
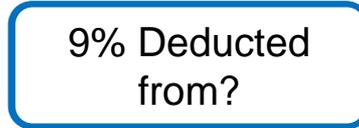
£25,725 a year

## Student loan repayments

- You won't make repayments until your income is over the repayment threshold.
- If you study a full-time course, you will be due to start repaying in the April after graduating or leaving your course.
- You'll repay 9% of your income over the threshold.
- If your income falls below the threshold, your repayments will stop.
- Any outstanding loan balance will be cancelled 30 years after entering repayment.

## Student loan repayments

Income each year before tax	9% will be deducted from	Monthly repayment (Approx)
£25,725	£0	£0
£27,000	£1,275	£9
£29,500	£3,775	£28
£31,000	£5,275	£39
£33,000	£7,275	£54



Interest is applied to your loan. More info can be found on [www.slc.co.uk/repayment](http://www.slc.co.uk/repayment)

## Need more information?

For information on student finance and to apply go to  
**[www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)**

Our experts are online Monday to Friday 9am-5pm and  
Saturday 9am-4pm to answer your questions:

- tweet us [@SF\\_England](https://twitter.com/SF_England)
- post your question on [Facebook/SF\\_England](https://www.facebook.com/SF_England)

# The Complete Destinations Platform

unifrog

Find and apply for the best courses and apprenticeships for you.

[www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org)

# 1) Exploring pathways

Use the tools in the *Exploring pathways* section to do some research into the options available to you after school.



Our Tools:

Careers library

Subjects library

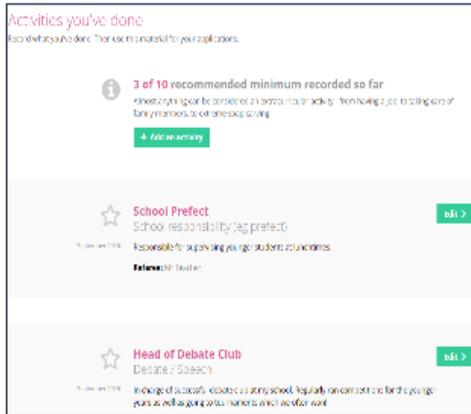
Know-how library

MOOC

\* Click the text boxes above to get more information on these *Exploring Pathways* tools

## 2) Recording what you have done

Use the tools in this section to get *Recording what you have done*, using guidance and examples and preparing yourself for making applications.



### Our Tools:

Activities

Competencies

Interactions

\* Click the text boxes above to get more information on these *Recording what you have done* tools

### 3) Searching for opportunities

Use the tools in the *Searching for opportunities* section to compare courses, apprenticeship openings and colleges.



Our Tools:

UK universities

US universities

European universities

Oxbridge

Apprenticeships

College/ Sixth Form

Canadian universities

\* Click the text boxes above to get more information on these *Searching for Opportunities* tools.

## 4) Drafting application materials

Use the tools in the *Drafting applications* section to start your application process, using guidance and examples provided.



Our Tools:

Personal Statement

CV / Resumé

Teacher References

Common App Essay

The Careers library allows you to explore career options by providing information from a range of sources, including interviews with people working within the industry.

## Careers library

✓ Careers favourited

[Go to tool >](#)

The Subjects library allows you to explore subject interests and find out more about studying them at university or through an apprenticeship.

## Subjects library

✓ Subjects favoured

[Go to tool >](#)

## Searching for opportunities

<p><b>UK universities</b> You have 18 shortlists <a href="#">View shortlists</a></p> <p><b>Start &gt;</b></p>	<p><b>US universities</b> You have 2 shortlists <a href="#">View shortlists</a></p> <p><b>Start &gt;</b></p>	<p><b>European universities</b> Make your first shortlist</p> <p><b>Start &gt;</b></p>
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## Any of these interest you?

Select up to 10 at a time by clicking on the subjects you like

Direct matches (1)

History

Subjects you might like  
(130)

American and Canadian Literature, History and Culture

Ancient and Medieval History

Ancient History

Ancient History and Archaeology

Ancient History and English Literature

Ancient History and French

Ancient History and German

Ancient History and Greek

next: 1 subject ▶ or go back

Type in a subject. This will also show you other courses which involve that subject in some way.

Now select any specific subjects that you are interested in.

You can pick up to ten courses at a time.

## Select courses below

Pick the best courses for you by ranking, filtering and searching. Click next when you're done.

Rank ▾ Filter ▾ Search ▾

### Aspirational (147)

Top of your range

History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
University of Cambridge  
A Level: A\*,A,A

History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
Durham University  
A Level: A\*,A,A

Ancient, Medieval and Modern  
History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
Durham University  
A Level: A\*,A,A

Liberal Arts - 3FT BA (Hons)  
Durham University  
A Level: A\*,A,A

History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
University of Oxford  
A Level: A,A,A

History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
London School of Economics and  
Political Science, University of

### Solid (47)

In the middle

History (with Foundation Year) - 4FT  
BA (Hons)  
University of Nottingham  
A Level: B,C,C

History - 4FT MA (Hons)  
University of Dundee  
A Level: B,C,C-B,B,B

Liberal Arts - 4FT MA (Hons)  
University of Dundee  
A Level: B,C,C-B,B,B

Liberal Arts - 3FT BA (Hons)  
University of Central Lancashire  
UCAS Points: 104

History - 3FT/6PT/4SW BA (Hons)  
University of Greenwich  
A Level: B,C,C

History - 3FT/4SW BA (Hons)  
Bournemouth University  
UCAS Points: 104-120

### Safe (41)

At the bottom

History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
Canterbury Christ Church University  
UCAS Points: 88-112

History (with Foundation Year) - 4FT  
BA (Hons)  
University of Hull  
UCAS Points: 80

Joint honours programme - 3FT BA  
(Hons)  
Blackburn College  
UCAS Points: 80

History - 3FT BA (Hons)  
University of South Wales  
A Level: C,D,D-B,C,C

History (Foundation) - 4FT BA (Hons)  
Manchester Metropolitan University  
A Level: D,D,D-C,D,D

History and English Literature with  
Foundation Year - 4FT BA (Hons)

next: 3 courses ▸ or go back

All the courses for your subjects are sorted into three categories based on your grades and the entry requirements for the course.

If you get the grades you typed in earlier, or anything above that, it will be in the **Aspirational** column. You will notice some courses marked with little red dots and an exclamation mark. These are courses that are not only top of your range, but noted to be out of your range.

If you drop a grade, you can find your options in the **Solid** column.

If you drop two or more grades, your options will appear in the **Safe** column.

Select courses below

Pick the best courses for you by ranking, filtering and searching. Click next when you're done.

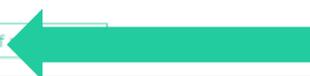
Rank ▾ Filter ▲ Search ▾

All distances 10 miles 20 miles 50 miles 100 miles 200 miles 300 miles Big cities Scotland Wales City Campus

All modes Full time Part time Sandwich Foundation No Foundation Full degrees W/ study abroad W/out study abroad

All types Russell Group (RG) Top Third (TT) Art Foundation Joint Honours No courses that prefer A-level, IB, Pre-U TEF Gold TEF Silver

TEF Bronze

All entry requirements No courses out of 

You can rank and filter courses to narrow and personalise your search criteria. You may want to click on the filter that gets rid of courses out of your range, and then those courses with the red dots will disappear.

Use the filters to only show courses which suit your needs and preferences. For example you may wish to only see courses at Russell Group universities, or sandwich courses.

## Searching for opportunities

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# Apprenticeships

## Any of these interest you?

Select up to 10 at a time by clicking on the Frameworks you like.

Search by keyword

Alphabetical

Vacancies

Salary

Jobs

Employment

Hours

Happiness

Frameworks (127):

Accounting

Accounting Technicians

Activity Leadership

Adult Care Worker

Advertising & Marketing

Agriculture

Animal Care

Aviation Ground Operations

Banking

Beauty Therapy

Building Services

Bus and Coach Engineering

Business and Administration

Butcher



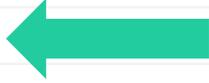
You will see a list of Frameworks that you can do an apprenticeship in. Select those that interest you, up to a maximum of 10.

Rank the Frameworks on different factors.

## Select Vacancies below

Pick the best vacancies for you by ranking, filtering and searching. Click next when you're done.  
We are only showing vacancies within 100 miles of your house. [Remove this filter?](#)

Rank ▾ Filter ▾ Search ▾



### Intermediate (33)

Equivalent to GCSEs

### Advanced (9)

Equivalent to A-levels

### Higher / SLP (25)

Equivalent to a degree

🎓 TRAINEESHIP in Accountancy Level 1 AAT  
👤 kaplan financial  
Distance: 3 miles

🎓 TRAINEESHIP in Accountancy Assistant  
👤 Net Temps Ltd  
Distance: 6 miles

🎓 TRAINEESHIP in Accountancy Level 1 AAT  
👤 Hyland Wealth Management  
Distance: 6 miles

🎓 Accounting apprentice  
👤 NHS Hardwick Clinical Commissioning Group  
Distance: 23 miles

🎓 Apprentice Accountant SMEREF2663  
👤 Number Crunchers (Sheffield) Ltd  
Distance: 28 miles

🎓 Accountancy Apprenticeship  
👤 Flexibitions Ltd  
Distance: 41 miles

🎓 Traineeship in Accounting  
👤 ASPIRE ACHIEVE ADVANCE LIMITED  
Distance: 41 miles

🎓 Apprentice AAT Assistant Accountant  
👤 DISTINCT RECRUITMENT LIMITED  
Distance: 3 miles

🎓 Accountants Apprentice  
👤 Rice & Co  
Distance: 38 miles

🎓 Accounts Apprentice  
👤 Alextra Accountants Limited  
Distance: 52 miles

🎓 Finance Assistant Apprentice - 7813  
👤 DRC Locums  
Distance: 66 miles

🎓 Accounts Apprentice  
👤 Hargreaves & Woods Limited  
Distance: 72 miles

🎓 Financial Data Analyst Apprentice  
👤 Sgl Legal Llp  
Distance: 80 miles

🎓 Apprentice Accounts Assistant  
👤 Rayner Essex Chartered Accountants  
Distance: 90 miles

🎓 Accounts Assistant Apprentice  
👤 ALAM AND ALAM LIMITED  
Distance: 90 miles

🎓 Finance Future Leaders Apprenticeship Programme - Nottingham  
👤 Boots  
Distance: 3 miles

🎓 PERSONAL BANKING ADVISER APPRENTICE - Cheadle  
👤 Lloyds Banking Group  
Distance: 33 miles

🎓 PERSONAL BANKING ADVISER APPRENTICE - Longton  
👤 Lloyds Banking Group  
Distance: 39 miles

🎓 PERSONAL BANKING ADVISER APPRENTICE - Stoke  
👤 Lloyds Banking Group  
Distance: 41 miles

🎓 PERSONAL BANKING ADVISER APPRENTICE - Burslem  
👤 Lloyds Banking Group  
Distance: 42 miles

🎓 Business Assurance and Risk Management Trainee (School Leaver) - 2016 - Birmingham  
👤 Mazars  
Distance: 43 miles

This page shows all the live apprenticeships that match your chosen Frameworks.

You can rank and filter vacancies to find the ones that suit you best.

# Apprenticeships and employment



# What are Apprenticeships?

- An apprenticeship is a job where you train and gain hands on experience with the opportunity to gain qualifications while you work. This could be a degree and/or industry recognised standards or qualifications.
- You will be paid a salary
- All apprenticeships include on and off the job training and can last from 1 – 6 years (again depending on the level)
- There are various levels of apprenticeships you can apply for, as follows:-

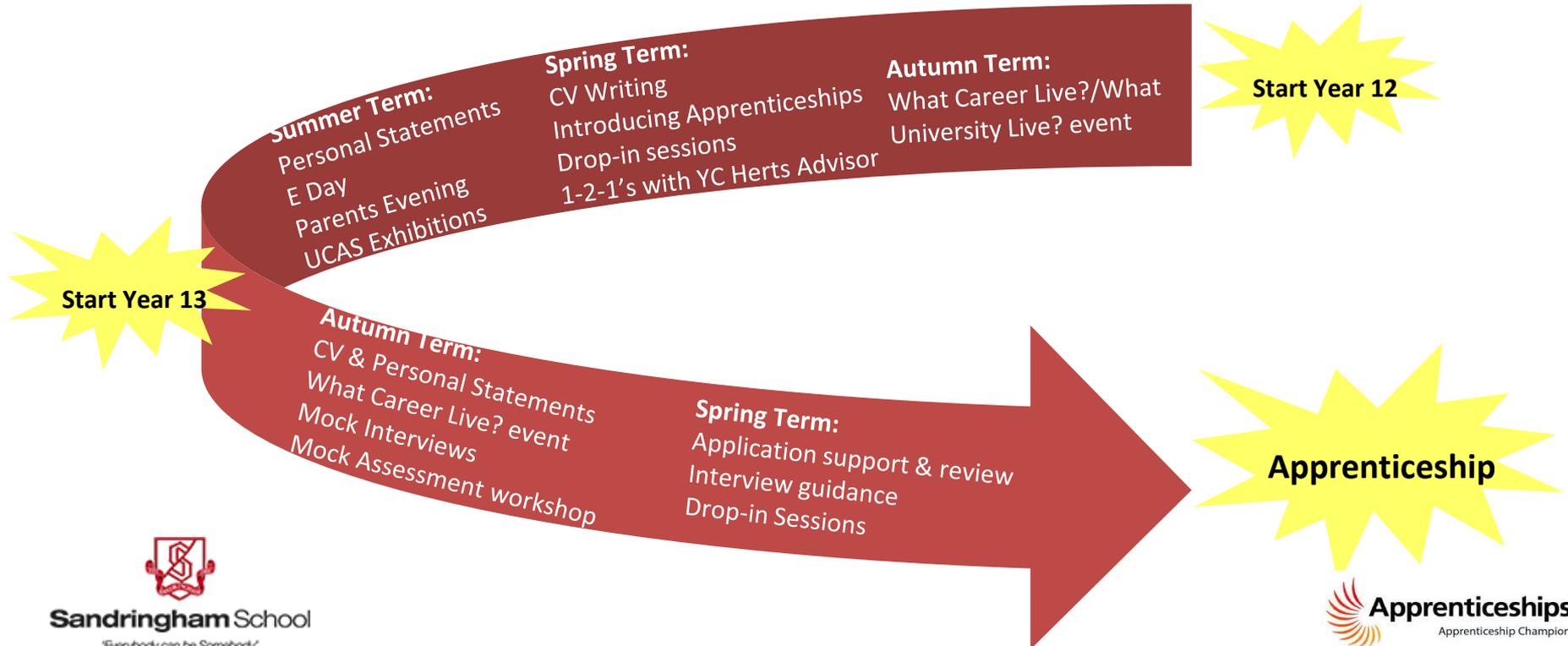
Name	Level	Equivalent educational level
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes
Advanced	3	2 A level passes
Higher	4 & 5	Higher Ed. Certificate/Diploma or a Foundation degree
Degree	6 & 7	Bachelor's or Master's degree

# Popular apprenticeships

- Business administration
- Finance
- Media
- Communications
- Retail
- Engineering

*New apprenticeship standards are being developed all the time - **Arts Therapist, Occupational Therapist & First Officer Pilot** are some of the more recent ones.*

# Apprenticeships – The Journey



# Apprenticeships – The Timetable

School Year	Activity	Date
Year 12	What Career Live? What University Live? event - Olympia, London. (Years 12 & 13)	Oct
	Introducing Apprenticeships	Feb
	Drop-in sessions	Feb/Mar
	1-2-1's with YC Herts Advisor	Mar
	CV Writing Workshop	Apr
	UCAS exhibitions	Apr/May
	E-Day (including application process)	June
	Personal Statements – making a start	June
	Parents Evening	June
Year 13	CV & Personal Statements - refresher	Sept
	1-2-1's with YC Herts Advisor	Oct
	Interview Preparation & Mock Interviews	Oct/Nov
	Mock Assessment workshop	Dec
	Application support & review	Jan
	Drop-in sessions	Feb/May

- Additional and specific support for students with Mrs Boost (Thursday mornings).
- Activities and speakers, opportunities posted in Careers Bulletin.
- Good idea to look for work experience this Summer and any activity to develop skills.
- Unifrog lists most vacancies and has information to support applications.

A student must tell us if they are thinking about applying for an apprenticeship so that we can support them.

Please see 'Apprenticeship Toolkit 2019-20' on the school website for further details.

@SandCareers

@SandSixth





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arts colleges Science

# Thank you!

# Please feel free to ask any questions.

# UCAS



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*'Everybody can be Somebody'*