



Post-18 Options



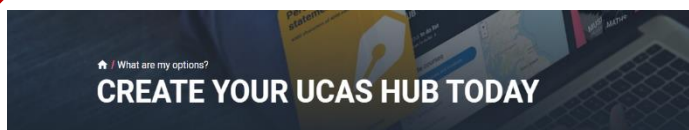
The 'Guide to UCAS Applications' has been sent to your school email along with instructions from Mrs Burt & Ms Watson.

Can all students please register and log on to UCAS and complete all sections apart from 'Courses' and 'Personal Statement'.

Normally we would ask to see the first draft of your **personal statement** before summer/the end of Year 12, however given the uncertainty created by the current situation we have decided to change this.

First Draft due in to Form Tutors by Friday 18th September. Expect to write numerous drafts before you get this right. If you are still uncertain about your Post-18 plans you can still write a statement about your interests, skills & qualities & then adapt it later once you have made a decision. (If you are in a position to write your personal statement now, and would like some feedback on your first draft, you can submit it to your **Form Tutor by Monday 13th July**. Any received after this date will not receive feedback before September.)

Final deadline: Friday 2nd October.



If you haven't yet signed up for the Hub, you can do so [here](#) – just make sure you do it ahead of the sessions so you don't miss out on any snippets of advice!

This week's session on Wednesday, 1 July – What is a degree apprenticeship?

As usual, each session will start at 14:00 (UK time) in the [UCAS Hub](#) and we'll be joined by subject-matter experts who will be taking questions live.

Virtual Open Days – Keep checking individual university websites for information on how to register

Webinar Wednesdays - Student Life – 2020/2021 Freshers

Free on-line sessions which include Student Finance, Apprenticeships and Life at University



Virtual Talks from Speakers for Schools including

Celebrating Women in Engineering

Andy Haldane, Chief Economist, Bank of England



Virtual Work Experience Opportunities

Here are some great VWEX opportunities still wanting student applications:

Johnson Matthey - Engineering, Science and Technology
Murray Chalmers - PR in the Music Industry

Making the Most of a University Virtual Open Day – a guide for students

Newcastle Uni are offering a range of interactive sessions to help in your Post-18 research.

Budgeting Bonanza - an interactive budgeting game -
9th July - 2pm

These sessions can be booked via the [Newcastle Uni website](#) and is well worth checking out.

UCAS VIRTUAL EXHIBITION – 15 OCTOBER DEADLINE

Veterinary, medicine, and dentistry



UCAS are delighted to announce the first in a series of UCAS virtual exhibitions, designed to help students explore their options from home.

UCAS virtual exhibition – 15 October deadline, veterinary, medicine, and dentistry

23 July 2020 - 7:00 - 23:00

Students can register here: ucas.com/vet-med

This online event means students can explore courses at up to 40 universities and colleges around the UK. It's perfect for anyone considering applying to medicine, veterinary, or dentistry courses.

Students will have chance to speak directly to subject and admissions specialists via 1-2-1 or group chat, listen in on topical seminars, and pick up digital prospectus' and other information.

Register early to make sure you don't miss out. You will then be sent reminders and top tips to get the most out of the experience. After the event, they'll have on-demand access to the exhibition for two weeks, allowing them to go back in and contact uni reps, collect more resources, and re-watch seminars.

Tortoise

Speakers for Schools we have partnered with [Tortoise Media](#) to be able to offer students the opportunity to access a slower kind of news. Alongside news articles, Tortoise creates Digital ThinkIns which are open to Tortoise members and their guests. As partners, Tortoise have offered our Sixth Form students the opportunity to access and become a member of Tortoise for no cost at all!

What is a Tortoise ThinkIn?

A ThinkIn is not another panel discussion. It is a forum for civilised disagreement. It is a place where everyone has a seat at the (virtual) table. It's where we get to hear what you think, draw from your experience, energy and expertise.

Sign up to attend: A ThinkIn with Tortoise Editor Liz Moseley, 2nd July 10-10:45am

Liz's career teacher told her she should be a librarian. Sadly, she never made it. Instead, Liz is an award-winning marketer with 20 years' experience at global media companies. She is now an editor and partner at Tortoise where she runs the ThinkIn programme. She's also the 'voice of Tortoise' in all Tortoise's member communications. She was Chief Marketing Officer for the Cannes Lions International Festival of Creativity (known as the 'Oscars' of the advertising industry) and spent three crazy years being sued by C-list celebrities as publisher of heat magazine. She's also worked for The Times, The Telegraph and ELLE. Join us as she shares a bit about how she's managed to blag it for this long, despite failing to get into University twice and repeatedly rebounding off the glass ceiling.

You can sign up for this event and become a member for free, here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-thinkin-with-tortoise-editor-liz-moseley-tickets-109958934132>

Please note that by registering for the event, you can choose to receive complimentary membership to Tortoise (worth £100).

Looking after yourself...

We will keep the [wellbeing page](#) on the Sixth Form section of the website updated with information to help you look after your mental health and wellbeing while school is closed.

Please check the [main school information page](#) for the latest information.