# Year 13 Students Student Finance & Replying to UCAS Offers 2017

# **Student Finance**

## **Tuition Fees**

- A Tuition Fee Loan is available to cover the fee charged by a university or college – up to £9,250 per year
- Eligible students **won't** have to pay any tuition fees up front
- A Tuition Fee Loan doesn't depend on household income
- Student Finance England pay the Tuition Fee Loan directly to your university or college
- The loan is repayable, but only when your income is over £21,000 a year

## **Maintenance Loans**

- You can apply for a Maintenance Loan. The amount you may be eligible for depends on your household income and then:
  - If you are living at home while you study
  - o If you living away from home while you study but outside London
  - o It you are living away from home and studying in London
- If you are studying overseas as part of a UK course, Maintenance Loan support may still be available
- Use the Student Finance Calculator at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator">www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator</a> to estimate the amount of Maintenance Loan that you may be eligible for

# Remember:

The deadline for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017. You can apply for student finance before you have accepted a course offer.

# **Extra Support**

Many universities and colleges offer financial support to their students through bursaries and Scholarships. Please check individual university/college websites for more information:

#### **Bursaries:**

- linked to personal circumstances and often, household income
- awards can include discounted tuition fees, accommodation or cash

# Scholarships:

- linked to academic results or ability in an area such as sport or music
- can be subject specific and are usually limited in numbers

Other financial help and support may also be available if you:

- have children or an adult dependent on you
- have a disability, including a long-term health condition, mental-health condition or specific learning difficulty

# **Replying to UCAS offers**

- You need to reply to your UCAS offers via UCAS Track <a href="https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/apply-and-track/track-your-application/replying-your-ucas-undergraduate-offers">www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/apply-and-track/track-your-application/replying-your-ucas-undergraduate-offers</a>
- Check your individual deadline

Last decision received	Means your reply date
on	is
31st March 2017	4 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
5 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	8 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
8 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2017
13 <sup>th</sup> July 2017	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017

## Remember:

A university/college may withdraw their offer if you do not accept it by your specified deadline.

# Not holding any offers?

- If you have not used all five choices yet, you can add more in Track if it is before 30 June and you have not accepted or declined any offers.
- You might be able to add another choice through UCAS Extra if you have received decisions from all five universities or colleges and were not accepted, or if you declined the offers you have received.
- UCAS Extra is a free service available for you to apply to one course at a time between 25 February and early July. If Extra is available to you, it'll show up as a button when you sign in to track your application
- You apply for one course at a time

# A Level Results Day - Thursday 17th August 2017

- You will be notified through UCAS Track of the university place you have secured
- A Level results will be available in school from 9am
- If you have not secured a university place you will be eligible for Clearing
- Support will be available on the day from the Careers Department and Senior Tutors

The Careers Department April 2017

