Ecole Internationale de Manosque International School of Manosque

### Orientation Post-Bac Higher Education

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021



## University applications in English speaking countries

- Due to BREXIT, there has been a large increase in students looking for different places to study in English due to the high costs in the UK

Lots of information on the new school website: <u>https://ecoleinternationalepaca.fr/higher-</u> <u>education/</u>



# University applications in English speaking countries

♦United Kingdom

♦USA

♦Ireland

♦Canada

♦Netherlands♦Belgium

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## United Kingdom

- Most applications through UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions service) website: <u>www.ucas.com</u>
  - International guides: <u>English</u> and <u>French</u>
  - ➢ Early Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> October, 19:00
  - Main Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January, 19:00



### United Kingdom Advice and college fairs

- https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/
- UCAS virtual Seminars: see <u>UCAS website</u> for dates
- University Virtual Open Days: See university websites for dates or ask them if you can visit
- British Council website <u>https://www.britishcouncil.fr/en/study-uk</u>





## United Kingdom

Early Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> October, 19:00 is for:

- -Oxford or Cambridge University
- -Medicine
- -Dentistry
- -Veterinary Science
- -Some other courses check on UCAS website

These are extremely competitive courses and universities that require a lot of preparation to make a serious application.





#### United Kingdom Admissions Tests

For medicine, engineering, Maths, Physics, Oxford, Cambridge and some other university courses:

STEP, PAT, BMAT, CAT, ELAT, MAT, TSA, ...– check on <u>UCAS</u> website and on <u>Admissions</u> <u>Testing Service website</u>

Students must be registered before 15th October (tests on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020) School is an exam centre except for UCAT (deadline 21st September)



### United Kingdom Brexit and Fees for British students

- Returning to the UK for study
- You will continue to be eligible for financial support for courses and apprenticeships starting in the UK until 31 December 2027 including:
- Home fee status (the fee rate that students who live in the UK are charged)
- Student Finance support
- Further Education 19+ funding
- Tuition fees approximately £9000 per year in England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland

Extract from UK government information about UK nationals living in Europe





#### United Kingdom Brexit and Fees for EU students

EU students applying to universities in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland will no longer be classed as "home students" for fees purposes.

- Check individual universities for accurate details on their tuition fees.
- Tuition fees for EU and international students typically £25000 per year but check universities – Scotland may offer lower tuition fees to EU students (~£15000-£20000 per year for 4 years)
- More details about tuition fees in the UK for EU students after Brexit <u>here.</u>

www.which.co.uk/studentfinance





United Kingdom Approximate Fees

- UK students can apply for grants or student loans from UK government
- EU students who do not have settled status in the UK are no longer eligible.
- Visit the <u>UKCISA (UK Council for</u> <u>International Student Affairs) website for</u> <u>more details.</u>





### United Kingdom

#### UCAS:

#### - Fill in the online application form:

- Personal details
- Education
- Choices
- Write a personal statement
- Reference letter from school





### United Kingdom

UCAS: (www.ucas.com)

- Buzzword 2022: Positivity
- Search by keyword
- Select Undergraduate
- Look at specific courses or universities
- Entry requirements conversion table A levels <u>EB</u> <u>OIB</u>
- <u>www.unistats.ac.uk</u> student surveys about
  life at the university and course





Information about applying in the USA and link to college counselors

www.nacacnet.org

- Information about studying in the USA www.educationusa.info (office in Paris)
- College Board Big Future <u>https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/</u>





### **USA** Applications

The Universal College Application

44 colleges so far including Harvard and Princetonsimpler process

The <u>Common Application</u>

Over 500 colleges

- <u>Coalition</u> for College Access
  140 colleges this year
- > MIT, UCLA applications are made directly
- Californian and Texan universities (and some in Florida) have their own systems
- Check the websites of universities for confirmation





### USA Applications

The <u>Common Application</u> has a table of all deadlines, fees, and entrance requirements

- •Early Decision (binding) deadline early November
- •Early Application(not binding decision) deadline early November
- Regular Decision(not binding) deadline end of December
- •You can apply during all 3 phases





### USA Applications

You will need:

- -School transcript provided by school
- -To nominate school counselor
- -List of extracurricular activities in and out of school
- -Essay see current prompts on websites
- -SAT, ACT test scores (if you have them)
- -Subject referees (depends on colleges)





### **USA** Essays

- The best ones tell a story
- What defining moment or person in your life made you who you are?
- Make sure they are original
- Colleges want to understand who you are and what makes you stand out from everybody else
- •Why do you deserve a place at their college?





USA

#### **Admissions Tests**

- SATs and ACTs are desirable but not always compulsory (especially with Covid difficulties)— check with colleges
- APs (Advanced Placement) are optional college level courses.
- Both are administered by College Board
- Both sets of exams can be taken at IBS in Luynes (fees to pay) during the year (independent preparation for exams required)





### USA

#### Approximate fees per year

- In state applicants approx \$20,000
- Out of state applicants approx \$40,000
- International applicants \$60,000 (private universities approx \$75,000)
- Check each college website for exact details – they can be higher or lower

Scholarships and financial aid available: check website of <u>EducationUSA</u>





### Ireland

 Most applications through CAO (Central Applications office) website:

http://www.cao.ie

- International guide for parents
- International guide for students

Presentation from CAO about application process

- Check your points equivalence
- ≻Main Deadline 1<sup>st</sup> February, 17:15





### Ireland

https://www.cao.ie/apply.php

Fill in the online application form

- Letter of motivation and reference letter not normally needed
- Each university will ask you for specific items after you have filled in the cao form

➢You will need to ask for a transcript from the school at least 4 weeks before the deadline

➢<u>Medicine</u> – HPAT test is required (see website)



### Ireland Approximate Fees

- EU students can apply for Free Fees
  Scheme or otherwise fees are approx 6,000€
- International (non EU) students approx
  20000€ per year
- More details about tuition fees in Ireland for EU or International students <u>here.</u>
- Check university websites for full details





Canadian embassy, Paris

Information about studying in Canada– see website

Study in Canada website for students

Study in Quebec website for applicants





Canada Applications

#### **Quebec universities:**

Applications directly online with universities for French-English courses: McGill, Concordia, Université de Montreal, Laval

#### **Other universities:**

Check the websites of universities





#### Deadlines:

#### January for McGill, Concordia and Université de Montreal

1<sup>st</sup> March for Université Laval

Check University websites for exact information





### Canada Application process

Check the websites of each college

Most are informative and will tell you what you need to do

-Application forms

-Transcripts required (ask school at least 4 weeks before)-must be certified

–English language certificate (IGCSE English)







Colleges may ask you for a motivation or reference letter but don't send them unless asked

You have to upload copies of your original certificates



### Canada Approximate tuition <u>fees</u> per year

Universities in Quebec:

- International students approx CA\$48,000
- French applicants approx CA\$11,000 (Canadian student rate)
- Other Canadian Universities:
- International students approx CA\$28,000
- •EU students approx CA\$28,000

Check each college website for exact details and for details of Scholarships and financial ai available





### The Netherlands Advice and college fairs

#### Study in Holland website

- Research universities more academically rigorous education that focuses on specific subjects
- Universities of applied sciences (hogescholen in Dutch) - profession-orientated- programmes that are designed for students who are looking to enter a particular career upon graduation.
- Private universities (hospitality tourism)
- University colleges specialise in teaching liberal arts degrees following the US model
- <u>Numerus Fixus</u> for competive universities and courses





### The Netherlands Applications

1. Enrol for <u>Studielink</u> to choose the course to apply for (and general information)

2. The individual universities will contact you to give you access to upload the required documents

You can apply for 4 universities, of which 2 numerus fixus and 1 medicine Check the websites of universities



### The Netherlands Applications

#### Deadlines:

Recommended in December

- Numerus Fixus programmes 15<sup>th</sup> January
- End of April for Maastricht business programmes

Check university websites for exact information





#### The Netherlands Approximate fees per year

- All EU students approx 2000€
- EU citizens can apply to be reimbursed
- Non-EU: €8,000 a year for business, arts and humanities, around €12,000 for science subjects, €14,000 for liberal arts programmes and €32,000 a year for medicine.
- Check each university website for exact details and for details of Scholarships and financial aid available





#### Belgium Advice and college fairs

English and French courses:

<u>Study in Flanders</u> – English courses <u>Study in Wallonia</u> – Bilingual courses (French-English)





#### Belgium Applications

Courses in English have earlier deadlines:

- -1 March for applications of non-EEA citizens
- -1 June for applications of EEA citizens
- –Apply online to each university (admissions portal opens end of October) and pay admissions fee if applicable
- -Send hard copies of required documents
- -Wait for admissions offer, accept offer!
- -Organise accommodation, visa, scolarships, health



#### Belgium Approximate tuition fees

- EU/EEA nationals: €947.20
- For Non-EU/EEA nationals: €947.20 €6 000, depending on the programme
- Students who pay regular tuition fees will probably also have to register for a credit contract or an exam contract:
- Credit contract: €245.20 fixed fee + €11.70 per study credit (ECTS)
- Exam contract: €111.90 fixed fee + €4.30 per study credit (ECTS)

Check each university website for exact details and for details of Scholarships and financial



#### Other countries

• There are an expanding number of university courses in European countries in English such as:

Denmark, Spain, Austria, Germany, Sweden, Czech Republic, Luxembourg,...

A full list can be found <u>here</u> (Study in Europe)

- There are also English language courses at universities in Asia, Australia and New Zealand
  - -Study in Asia
  - -<u>Study in Australia</u>
  - -Study in New Zealand



#### **Other Information**

- All students requiring a reference for English speaking countries must complete a permission form
- All requests for transcripts must be made using the transcript form
- Good references take a long time to write stick to deadlines
- Complete the online questionnaires (student and parent) to give us a full picture and enable us to write a good reference



#### S7/T° Careers Guidance Programme

Links for student

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1DzUFApmfSBHow3DsiD3riwnrAiJZH0E Ns8iSsjOXPw/edit

and parent questionnaires:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FTUnljr0PvAJLvL179Rh25hIALg79OLa Efc\_u7oGXXk/edit

UCAS Buzzword 2022: Positivity

#### Individual appointments for English speaking university applications:

Please make an appointment with me as soon as possible to discuss what you need to do or give ideas, especially if you are applying this year

For any other information – come and see us!!! (at least 1 month before the deadline)



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