

Next Steps Year 13 Courses 2018-19



Midsomer Norton

Sixth Form

new vision **bright future**

What are your options after Sixth Form?

- Further Study – Degree at Uni
- Further Study – Foundation Degree at Uni or College
- Further Study – HND/ HNC
- Apprenticeship
- Direct into work
- GAP year



Direct into work

- Support from Mrs Windsor both during Year 12/13 and after.
- Sessions running at same time as HE sessions covering work place skills and application support.
- Business Administration course
- Sessions to support students with interview techniques, CV writing etc.



Year 12

- Half way through your courses.
- 7 school weeks away from Year 12 final exams
- You are currently taking 4 courses and need to decide what 3 courses they will take into Year 13.
- You will need to drop a subject at the start of Year 13
- You need to achieve a D grade at AS level or a pass in BTEC to automatically continue into Year 13 with the subject



A Level reforms

- All subjects are following the new linear courses.
- This means that the AS exams at the end of the year will not count towards their final grade in year 13.
- However universities will take the grade into consideration when making offers.



Why only three courses in Year 13?

- Year 13 courses are more challenging and more study time is needed to be dedicated to them.
- Universities/ HE Colleges only require three courses for entry.
- Employers expect only three courses at the higher level.
- Only exception is Further Maths and GPR.



Enrichment - The Extended Project

Freedom of choice –

- an aspect of a subject you are studying
- a topic in which you have a personal interest.
- Developing skills – Independent learning, initiative, project management, planning, research, problem solving & presentation skills.
- Support with the transition to University.
- Universities make lower offers if you take this course



Higher Education

- Degree – BA/BSc (Usually 3 years)
Mchem/ Meng (4 years)
- Sandwich course 4 year course with a year in industry
- Foundation Degree – vocational – full or part time – can be converted to a full degree. eg. Police or Fire Service.
- HND – 2 years – convert to a degree.
- Other – eg. Art Foundation courses, Performing Arts.



What courses?

Over 120,000

- Single subject
- Joint – 2 separate but equal subjects
- Combined – 2/3 or more subjects
- Modular – separate units = degree
- Vocational – eg. Accounting, business, medicine, law – few offer full qualifications.
- Sandwich – 4 year course with year in industry



A subject you know or something a bit different?

- Standard University courses – eg. English Literature, Law, History and Politics, Chemistry.
- Subject related – eg. English Literature – Creative Writing, Publishing, Film Studies
- New or unusual – eg. Wine Studies, Ecotourism, Ocean Yachting, Fashion Image Marketing, Computer Games Technology.



What courses? The Teaching?

- Teacher directedAutonomous learner
- ExaminationsContinuous Assessment



What institution?

340 to choose from!

- Location – city, rural, cost of living
- Campus – self contained or centrally located.
- Distance from Midsomer Norton?
- Accommodation – hall for all 1st years?
- Status and quality of teaching
- Facilities, eg. Library, sports, internet
- Opportunities available
- Student profile
- Personal experience – friends, relations, teacher, Open Days and Visits
- Collegiate, eg. Oxbridge, Durham, Lancaster, Lampeter.
- Size



Choosing an institution

- You must be able to achieve the grades demanded by the institution of your choice for the course you want
- You must be realistic and optimistic.
- What grades do you think you will get at the end of Year 13?
- Ask your teachers!



Useful website:

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

- On the front page, follow link marked 'Parents' to the appropriate section
- You will find information on everything related to the application process including accepting places and going through Clearing
- There is also clear advice on choosing appropriate courses, financial support, accommodation and transport



Summary

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How to apply

Our BA (Hons) English degree is ideal if you enjoy the study of language and its creative and critical applications, yet don't want to focus your studies on a particular area through one of our named awards. Offering access to a huge range of modules covering everything from literature and language to original writing and drama, it can be adapted to suit a variety of interests. Practical modules in Drama and Creative Writing are also available.

> [View course details on provider's website](#)

Contact

Course Enquiries Team (see Enquiries link below)

Tel: 0121 331 5595

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> Website: www.bcu.ac.uk

Start dates

September 2015

Open to applicants from:

Why study this course

Our richly stocked library puts texts and materials at your fingertips with access to every book published in the UK between 1470 and 1800. The School of English has a very high proportion of staff with PhDs; six of them awarded by top ten universities. Our 'Twenty-Century Poetry' module lets you build an assessed, web-published personal anthology of poems and images – described by one external examiner as 'exceptionally innovative'. Further advanced facilities include modern teaching rooms (including a dedicated drama room) with networked presentation equipment in every room, a student commons room, as well as WebCorp, a unique tool for analysing language, and eMargin, a text annotation tool currently developed in the School.

Location

Curzon Building
Cardigan Street
Birmingham
West Midlands
B4 7BD
United Kingdom



More about this course

The School of English at Birmingham City University has an exceptional level of research publication to support your course; the most recent Research Assessment Exercise found the School's research to be of international standard, some of which was world-leading. The official course data from universities and colleges – shows a huge 93% of our English students were satisfied overall with the quality of the course (2012 National Student Survey (NSS)). The School was ranked joint top among all UK English departments for the proportion of graduates who went on to further study.

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First year entry

Second year entry

Third year entry

Final year entry

First year entry

Qualification requirements

GCSEs

A Levels

BTECs

International
Baccalaureate

Scottish qualifications

14-19 Diplomas

Access to HE

Other Academic
qualifications

GCSEs

GCSE/Standard Grade

General information on subjects/grades required for entry:

Grade C or above in English Language and Mathematics, or equivalent. Please note the University does not accept Level 2 Key Skills, Functional Skills or Certificates in Adult Numeracy and Literacy as suitable alternatives to GCSEs.



If you cannot find the qualification that you are studying (or have previously studied) please

Tariff information

UCAS Tariff points : 300

Scottish Tariff points : 300

14-19 Diploma Tariff points : 300

Course specific requirements

GCE A level: no specific subjects required. You must have a minimum of two A levels. All applicants must also have GCSE English Language and Mathematics at grade C or above, or the equivalent.

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4 Years

Full-time

Study on site

MA (Hons)

Q300

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First year entry

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**Baccalaureate -
International**

**Baccalaureate -
European**

Scottish qualifications

Overseas qualifications

A Levels

The University of Aberdeen will make offers based on the following qualifications individually and when they are combined with others

GCE A Level

BBB Typical offer

General information on subjects/grades required for entry:

For First Year Entry a minimum of 3 A Levels at BBB or 4 AS at AAB. For Second Year Entry a minimum of an A in the subject selected for Single Honours plus BB, or AB in the subjects selected for Joint Honours plus a further B.

Information:

GCSE in English or English Language is also required.

GCE AS

General information on subjects/grades required for entry:

Curriculum for excellence

The University of Aberdeen is reviewing its curriculum and the new qualifications. We will continue to review entry requirements until the SQA introduce the new National Qualifications.

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Law

The University of Birmingham

Duration
3 Years

Study mode
Full-time

Attendance
Study on site

Qualification
LLB (Hons)

Course code
M100

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GCE A Level

AAA Typical offer

Specific subjects excluded for entry:
Critical Thinking and General Studies.

Information:

A good performance in General Studies may be taken into account if you fail to meet the conditions of the offer.

Unit grade policy

The University of Birmingham offers based on the unit grade and A2 level examinations. H achievement may be taken in considering applicants who h terms of their offers.

Admissions tests

You need to complete the foll admissions test(s).

Law National Admissions

All applicants must take the Admissions Test for Law (L LNAT website(<http://www.ln> info. Applicants who do not center in their country ab

The reality of what the unis tell you

- Prospectuses are published over a year in advance. Website most up to date.
- Check entry requirements.
- Offers are likely to be higher than published.
- Offer will be made on three courses, but additional enrichment courses make you more appealing.



HEAP

HEAP Online is a great starting point for moving on into higher education and planning ahead and will take you through all the stages in choosing the course and place of study which is right for you.

We will have a new long which we will send out over the next week.



Be Realistic

- Know your predicted grades
- Apply to courses that match your predictions
- Apply to a spread of universities
 - Optimistic
 - Realistic
 - Pessimistic



UCAS tariff

Pre-U Principal Subjects & GPR	Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)	GCE AS	GCE A level	New Tariff points	BTEC Level 3 National Certificate/ WJEC Level 3 Certificate (Criminology)	BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate / WJEC Level 3 Diploma (Criminology)
				168		
				160		
				152		
				144		
				128		
				112		
				104		
				96		
				80		
				64		
D1/D2			A*	56		D*
D3				52		
			A	48		D
M1				44		
M2			B	40		
M3				36		
			C	32		M
P1	A*			28	D*	
P2	A		D	24	D	
P3	B	A		20		
	C	B	E	16	M	P
	D	C		12		
		D		10		
	E			8	P	
		E		6		



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How do I choose what to drop?

- If planning to study a subject at University, you must continue with it into Year 13
- Some University courses have specific entry requirements, eg.
 - Medicine usually requires Chemistry and Biology
 - Engineering usually requires Maths and Physics
 - Law usually requires subjects such as History and/English Literature



Next steps

- What are your target grades? What do you need for the course you want to take?
- HE Convention - 12TH April — plan out what uni's stands you want to visit/ what courses are you interested in.
- [UCAS website](#)
- [Parental updates from UCAS -
http://www.pages02.net/ucas-charitynek/parents_signup/](#)
- University websites and visits
- Mrs Windsor – Career's Advisor
- [http://university.which.co.uk/](#)
- [http://www.bestcourse4me.com/](#)



Deadlines

- HE sessions after study leave to help prepare you for application
- UCAS application – all personal sections completed by end of summer term.
- First draft of Personal Statement to be completed by start of September.
- Medicine/ Vet Science/ Oxbridge - deadline end of Sept for applications.
- All other UCAS applications by October half term.



Get revising – you're only as
good as your last exam!

