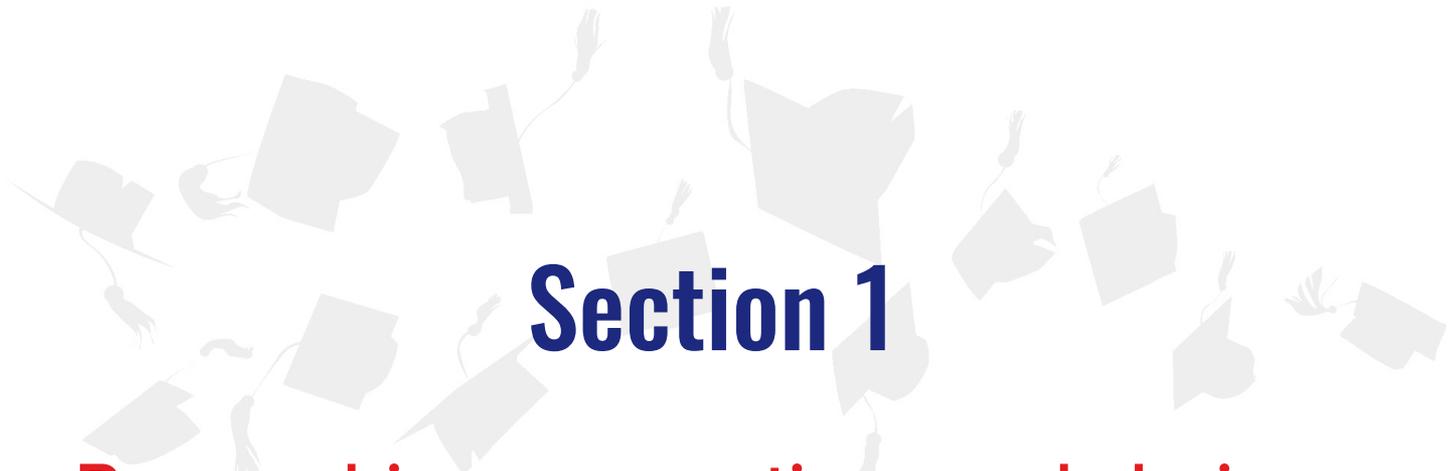
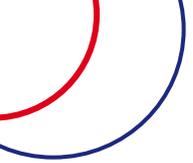


# Applying to University in the UK

Presentation to 1ère parents & students  
Monday 20th February 2023



# Section 1

Researching your options and choices



# Research your choices: What do **you** want to do?

***Q: What do you want to do after Terminale? Travel? Work? Study? Maybe all three!***

Points to consider:

- What are you passionate about?
- What do you want to do for work after university and which courses will qualify you for that work?
- What obstacles stand in your way and how will you overcome them?

Think hard about **affordability** and **feasibility** when considering your plans after school.



# Using UNIFROG to research your options



Unifrog is an online platform which helps students to:

- research post-Bac study opportunities on English speaking courses throughout the world.
- organise themselves so that they can submit the strongest applications, on time and in the correct format.

**IMPORTANT! Unifrog is the primary way that the University Guidance Team will communicate with students. Make sure your access is working correctly and get used to using it!**

- Lost your Unifrog login? Reset it using your @csilyon.fr email address from the following link : <https://www.unifrog.org/reset-password>
- Never signed up? <https://www.unifrog.org/code> using the code **LYO1er24** and your @csilyon.fr email address.
- Contact [university@csianglo.org](mailto:university@csianglo.org) if you have any problems accessing your Unifrog account.



# UNIFROG Parent Accounts



Parents can set up a **parent account** on Unifrog

This can be used to research subjects, institutions, online courses etc and to try out the quizzes and other tools that are available.

It is **not** linked to your child's account and not intended to be used to 'track' their progress.

A **sign-up code** was sent out to all 1ère parents on 31/01/2023 to allow them to sign-up and create a parental account: this code will now have expired. If you missed your chance and want to sign up, please contact [university@csianglo.org](mailto:university@csianglo.org).

NB: Please don't be tempted to set up a 'fake' student account. Our advisers actively use Unifrog to track individual student progress and the presence of 'fake' student accounts can cause confusion.

Complete the <a href="#">Interests quiz</a>	4.1%
Favourite a profile on the <a href="#">Subjects library</a>	4.1%
Complete your first post-school <a href="#">Shortlist</a>	6.1%
Favourite a guide on the <a href="#">Know-how library</a>	4.1%
Complete a shortlist for <a href="#">UK Uni, UK App or College / Sixth form</a>	5.1%
Start to record your <a href="#">Activities</a>	2.0%
Add something to your <a href="#">Locker</a>	2.7%
Complete a <a href="#">Shortlist</a> in a different post-school pathway	5.1%
Favourite a recommendation in the <a href="#">Read, Watch, Listen tool</a>	2.7%
Start to record your <a href="#">Competencies</a>	2.7%
Complete the <a href="#">Personality Quiz</a>	✓ DONE!
Complete at least three post-school <a href="#">Shortlists</a>	5.1%
Record at least 5 <a href="#">Activities</a>	5.1%
Favourite a profile on the <a href="#">Careers library</a>	5.1%

Complete a <b>MOOCs</b> Shortlist	2.0%
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Start your <b>CV</b>	2.7%
Add info for each section of your <b>CV</b>	5.1%
Get a teacher to add an Interaction for you	✓ DONE!
Get teachers to add examples of at least 3 types of Interaction for you	2.7%
Start your <b>Personal Statement or CA essay, or add an item to the Writing tool</b>	1.0%
Get a teacher to mark your Personal Statement, CA essay or Writing item as 'Finished'	5.1%
Add an Application to your <b>Applications list</b>	4.1%
<b>Write notes</b> for the teachers giving you a Reference or Recommendation	1.7%
Get one of your teachers to start a Subject Reference or Recommendation for you	1.0%
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# Other research tools for UK university choices

- **Look online**

- University websites
- [UCAS Undergraduate page](#) - information about about courses, unis etc.
- [UCAS International & EU Students page](#)

- **Check out University League Tables and Rankings**

- [The Complete University Guide: league table for UK universities](#) 2023
- Compares by different measures including student satisfaction

- **Visits & Social Media**

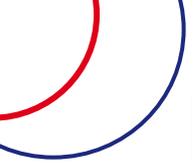
- If you are able to go to visit, or even a virtual tour of a campus, do so. It is a great way to get a feel for a place. Some universities are offering virtual tours because of the current situation. A lot of universities now actively engage with prospective students on social media, and we encourage you to follow your preferred colleges through these platforms.
- [UCAS Events & Open Days page](#)



# Studying in the UK, post-Brexit

- Brexit has had a big impact on EU students applying to study in the UK. This can relate to **fees & funding** AND to **visas / immigration status**.
- Some useful websites are:
  - [UK Government website](#)
  - [British Council website](#)
  - [The Complete University Guide page on International Student fees \(see next slide\)](#)
  - [UK Council for International Students: Fees & Funding](#)





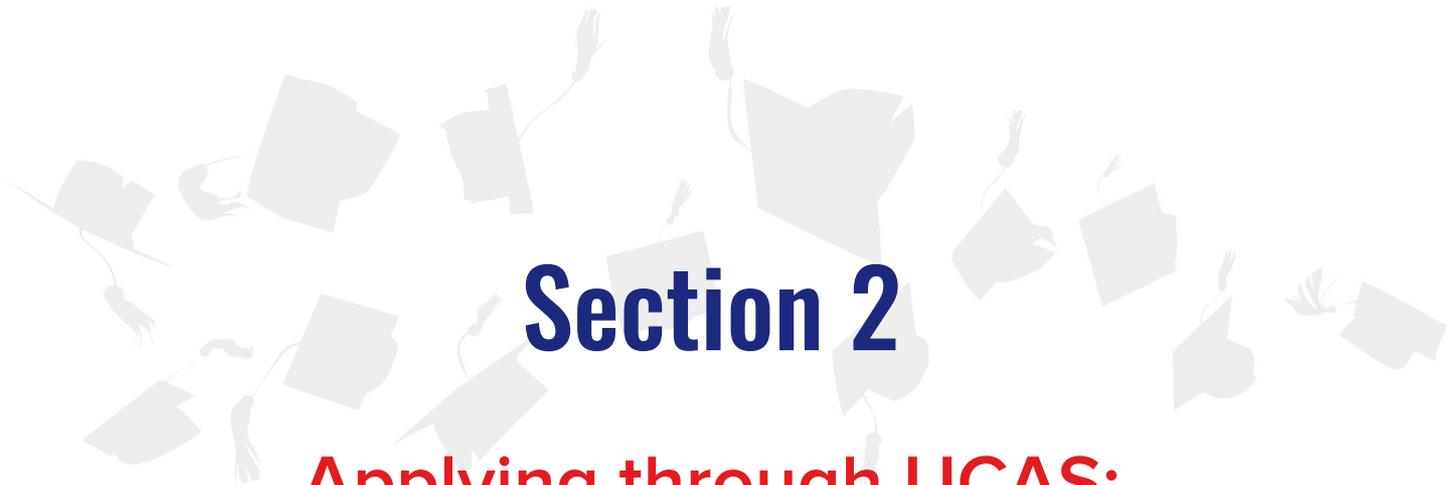
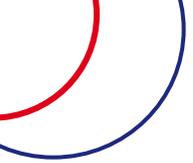
# Fees & funding: British citizens living in the EU

**British citizens and the children of British citizens** who were resident in the EU *before* Brexit was implemented have a **special status** regarding fees and student loans in the UK. They may be **eligible for 'home fees' for 7 years** after the Agreement came into force on 31/12/2020. So this applies up to and including **courses starting in the autumn of 2027**.

- These arrangements are still quite new and many universities have put their own assessment procedures into place.
- Also, the arrangements may also vary significantly between the different 'home nations' of the UK: England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

**You will need to use the links given previously AND to clarify the situation with the universities and student loan companies in the 'home nation' that you are applying to.**





# Section 2

**Applying through UCAS:  
organisation, deadlines, applications**



# Applying through the UCAS system



All applications to UK universities are processed through **UCAS**.

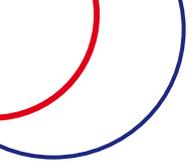
- UCAS = University (and) College Application Service
- UCAS is a registered charity. Applicants pay a fee to use the service.
- The UCAS website has many purposes - from providing information about courses to organising / submitting completed applications.
- Students will create a UCAS Hub account. This is what they will use to collect, organise and submit the application *dossier*.

# Key UCAS deadlines

For UCAS applications there are two key deadlines to be aware of:

- Mid-October
  - All courses at Oxford and Cambridge (Oxbridge) Universities
  - Most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science, and dentistry
- Mid-January
  - All other courses
- Check out the [When to Apply page](#) on the UCAS website





# What do you need to do by these deadlines?

- Fill in your UCAS **online application form**, which includes your personal details, qualifications, education history and course choices.
- Write a max. 4,000 character **personal statement** to demonstrate you'll be a good student.
- Request 4 **references** from your teachers, which will then be collected and synthesised into one holistic reference by a member of the university guidance team
- Request **predicted grades** from all your teachers.
- Pay your **application fee** online (currently £27 for 2 or more choices)



# Applying to Oxford & Cambridge

- The process for applying to Oxford and Cambridge is quite distinct.
- For example, you apply to a college rather than to the university. There may be entrance exams and there will be interviews.
- If you want to apply to Oxbridge you must let us know well in advance.
- [This company](#) provides a lot of free resources and a blog. Tailored, individual advice from a qualified counsellor is also available (for a fee).



# Recap & next steps...

- Think about what you want to do and research your options using Unifrog, UCAS and other sources of information.
- Carefully consider the implications of Brexit - for fees & loans and for your immigration status.

Ideally **before the end of this school year** and **DEFINITELY at the start of Terminale...**

- Contact [university@csianglo.org](mailto:university@csianglo.org) to let us know about your plans and how we can help you take them forward to the application stage.

