



UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFER HOLDERS

Once you have received your offer from the University of Birmingham there are still other steps you must take to secure your place to study with us. You will get updates via email, but you can use this check list to track some of the key points in this process.

WHEN YOU RECEIVE YOUR OFFER

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Check you understand the conditions of your offer as shown on the UCAS track website, including all required subject grades.

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Check if the university needs a different reference:

Your offer conditions will specify if a new reference is required.

This is typically in the case where the reference provided in an application is non-academic or from an unsuitable email address (e.g. gmail.com).

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Check the English requirements of your offer, if required:

English qualifications must be awarded within 2 years of a course start date unless otherwise specified by admissions.

More information on acceptable English Language tests can be found here:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/requirements/international/index.aspx.

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Make sure you have all the information you need to make a choice between universities:

Find details specific to your country here:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/students/country/index.aspx

If you are traveling to the UK, get in touch with the admissions team to arrange a visit to the university and department.

Attend a virtual visit day if you can't visit in person or wish to see more.

If you have access to Facebook, join the offer holder group to keep up to date with the School.

If offered, take up the opportunity of speaking to a current student buddy who can answer questions about moving to the UK to study at Birmingham via skype, phone or email.

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Check if you need an ATAS certificate, usually only in the case of MSci / MEng (4 year) programmes.

If you need an ATAS certificate, you will usually get a statement with your offer letter confirming that you need ATAS and telling you what to do next.

More information is here:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/students/visas/atas.aspx

WHEN YOU HAVE RECEIVED ALL YOUR UK UNIVERSITY DECISIONS

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Choose a firm and insurance university:

The deadline will be on your UCAS track page.

Pick an insurance choice with a lower offer than your firm choice.

Enter your choice on the UCAS track webpage.

BETWEEN 1ST DECEMBER AND 31ST JULY

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Apply for accommodation:

You must apply by 31st July and place us firm choice to be guaranteed a place in university or partner accommodation.

Make sure you use all the choices as there is no guarantee you will receive your first choice accommodation.

Virtual tours are available to help you make a decision.

WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR RESULTS

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If you haven't met the conditions of your offer or your grades are borderline please contact the School to discuss.

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Ensure your results (including English) are received by the University, if you need to provide evidence:

All documents must be in English or accompanied by a certified translation.

You can send verified or certified documents to us through the post or via one of our other methods.

We can accept verification of your results via email, this must be from the organisation, School, college or university who awarded the qualification. We can also accept scans from a Birmingham approved overseas agent/representative.

More information is found here:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/colleges/professional/external/admissions/Verification.aspx

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When you receive your Confirmation of Acceptance for Economic Area or Switzerland you will need a visa (entry clearance) to study in the UK.

If studying an MSci, ensure you have your ATAS certificate if required.

More advice and information are found here www.birmingham.ac.uk/visas

WHEN YOUR ACCOMMODATION MOVE IN DATE AND VISA IS CONFIRMED

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Finalise your travel plans to the UK:

The university offers pickups from select airports, see website for details.

Make sure you arrive in time for Welcome Week to make the most of all our activities and events for new students.

If you must arrive late, please let us know.

CHECK EMAIL REGULARLY FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please contact the admissions tutor at any time for help or clarification.