

**UCAT****UNIVERSITY CLINICAL  
APTITUDE TEST**

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## Do you want to study Medicine or Dentistry?

**Most UK universities require applicants to Medicine and Dentistry courses to sit an admissions test in addition to their other entry requirements. The UCAT is a test used in the selection process by the majority of UK University Medical and Dental Schools.**

### **WHICH UNIVERSITIES REQUIRE THE UCAT?**

If you plan to apply to any of the UCAT Consortium universities listed here in 2020 then you will need to sit the test in the summer of the same year. You should also check individual university websites or the UCAS website for specific entry requirements of each course.

The list opposite is subject to change, so please check the [UCAT website](#) for an up to date list of universities and courses before you book your test.

- University of Aberdeen
- Anglia Ruskin University
- Aston University
- University of Birmingham
- University of Bristol
- Cardiff University
- University of Dundee
- University of East Anglia
- Edge Hill University
- University of Edinburgh
- University of Exeter
- University of Glasgow
- Hull York Medical School
- Keele University
- Kent and Medway Medical School
- King's College London
- University of Leicester
- University of Liverpool
- University of Manchester
- University of Newcastle
- University of Nottingham
- Plymouth University
- Queen Mary, University of London
- Queen's University Belfast
- University of Sheffield
- University of Southampton
- University of St Andrews
- St George's, University of London
- University of Sunderland
- University of Warwick (graduate entry)

A number of non-UK Associate Member Universities also accept the UCAT as part of their entry requirements. Full details of these are on our website.

## WHAT'S IN THE TEST?

The UCAT is a two-hour, multiple choice test. It consists of five separately timed subtests which assess a range of mental abilities identified by university medical and dental schools as important.

### VERBAL REASONING

Assesses the ability to critically evaluate information presented in written form.

### DECISION MAKING

Assesses the ability to make sound decisions and judgements using complex information.

### QUANTITATIVE REASONING

Assesses the ability to critically evaluate information presented in numerical form.

### ABSTRACT REASONING

Assesses the use of convergent and divergent thinking to infer relationships from information.

### SITUATIONAL JUDGEMENT TEST

Measures the capacity to understand real world situations and identify critical factors and appropriate behaviour in dealing with them.

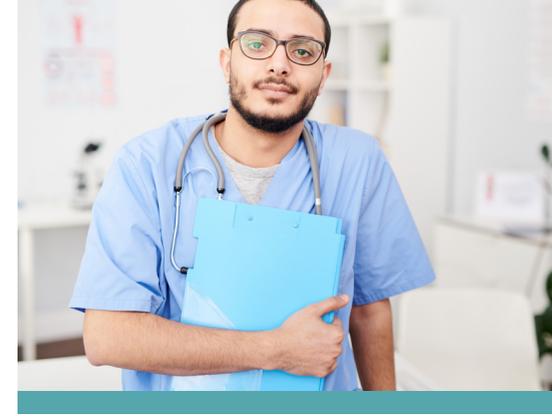
## HOW DO I BOOK A TEST?

The UCAT is a computer-based test delivered in Pearson VUE test centres throughout the UK and internationally.

You will need to register to take the test via the UCAT website and can then book a test at a convenient location and time. We strongly recommend that you take the test at your earliest convenience to ensure places are available at a local test centre.

It's important to note that you can only sit the test once in each admissions cycle.

If you have any special educational needs which mean you require additional time in exams, extended tests are available. Information regarding these, and other accommodations available can be found on our website under [ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS](#).



## BURSARIES

If you are in financial need you can apply for a bursary to cover the full test fee. Full details of our eligibility criteria can be found on the UCAT website, under [BURSARY SCHEME](#).

## WHEN DO I GET MY RESULTS?

You will receive your UCAT result immediately after taking the test. You can then use your UCAT score to make an informed decision about which universities to apply to.

Details of how the test is used by the different universities can be found via their individual websites.

## HOW DO I PREPARE FOR THE UCAT?

Visit the [UCAT website](#) or read our [Official Guide](#) to find out the key information you need to know

Use the [Question Tutorial](#) to guide you through each subtest and learn strategies on how to approach and answer questions

Check out [advice](#) from high scoring candidates on our website and on the [Official UCAT YouTube channel](#)

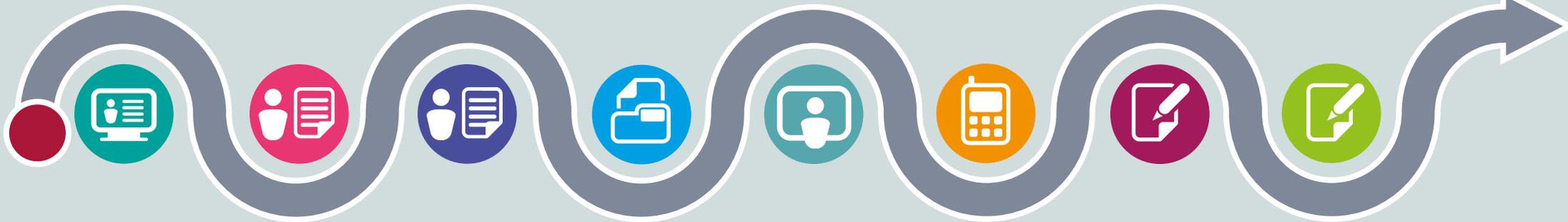
Take [Practice Test A](#) on the UCAT website, these tests closely mimic the test experience and questions are of equivalent standard to the actual test

Use the [Tour Tutorial](#) to understand the format of the UCAT and learn the functions of the computer-based test

Use our [FREE question banks](#) to practise hundreds of example questions

Download the [Official UCAT App](#) to practise some introductory questions in your spare time

Take the remaining [Practice Tests](#) – step up your practice by sitting the timed versions to improve your speed as you get closer to sitting your test





## KEY DATES FOR UCAT 2020

4 May	Registration opens Booking opens
1 July	Testing begins
22 September at midday (BST)	Registration closes Online booking closes Access Arrangements deadline
5 October at midday (BST)	Final booking deadline
6 October	Last testing date Bursary application deadline
15 October	UCAS application deadline
Early November	Results delivered to universities

## TEST FEES

UK and EU, July - August	£55
UK and EU, September - October	£80
Non-EU	£115

## WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

The UCAT is unlike most exams you may be used to, so it's useful to understand what to expect on the day of the test. You should ensure you are familiar with the test centre environment before the day by reading the **TEST DAY** section of our website.

We don't want you to be one of the many candidates turned away each year for presenting the incorrect ID. It's essential that you take the correct, signed, photographic identification to the test centre, otherwise you will not be permitted to test. Please ensure you've read the **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON ID** on our website ahead of time to avoid any issues.



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