



WELCOME TO BEAUMONT SIXTH FORM

Beyond Beaumont

Parent Information Evening March 16th 2022



- Programmes which mix vocational and academic qualification have expanded recently.
- Fluid environment and no one-stop shop like UCAS, however 'Unifrog' access now greatly helps research.
- 2/3s of graduate jobs are flexible about degree subject.



Positives

- No student debt
- Paid work
- Planned career progression

Negatives

- Competitive selection
- Early career choice
- Some loss of university experience
- Impact of Covid

- Beaumont students have had success getting selected for apprenticeships.



Positives

- A life-broadening experience
- Improved earnings potential
- Pursue an academic interest
- Essential for many careers

Negatives

- Debt
- Lack of practical experience
- Impact of Covid



Which Course?

The most important choice and the range is vast.

- Vocational or academic?
- Traditional or sandwich?
- Single or joint subjects?

Which University?

- Home or away?
- City or campus?
- Traditional or modern?
- Reputation or reality?



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Where can you find information?

- University websites, prospectuses and admissions offices
- University Open/ Taster Days
- Unifrog (featuring parent access)

The logo for Unifrog, featuring the word "unifrog" in a lowercase, green, sans-serif font.

Unifrog and You

- Independent research
- Personal record of what you have done
- Drafting personal statements
- Drafting CV / Resumé

The logo for UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service) is displayed in a white box with a red border. The letters 'UCAS' are in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'U', 'C', and 'S' are black, while the 'A' is red and stylized as a triangle pointing upwards.

What students do

- Choose a degree subject
- Write a personal statement
- Choose up to 5 courses
- Apply via www.ucas.com
- Accept two offers

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UCAS and You

- **Your** application
- You add personal details, choices and personal statement
- You make payment to UCAS and submit by deadline to school for us to add school reference

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- We monitor your progress on applications
- Once you have paid and submitted, we add a school reference and forward to UCAS

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What Beaumont does

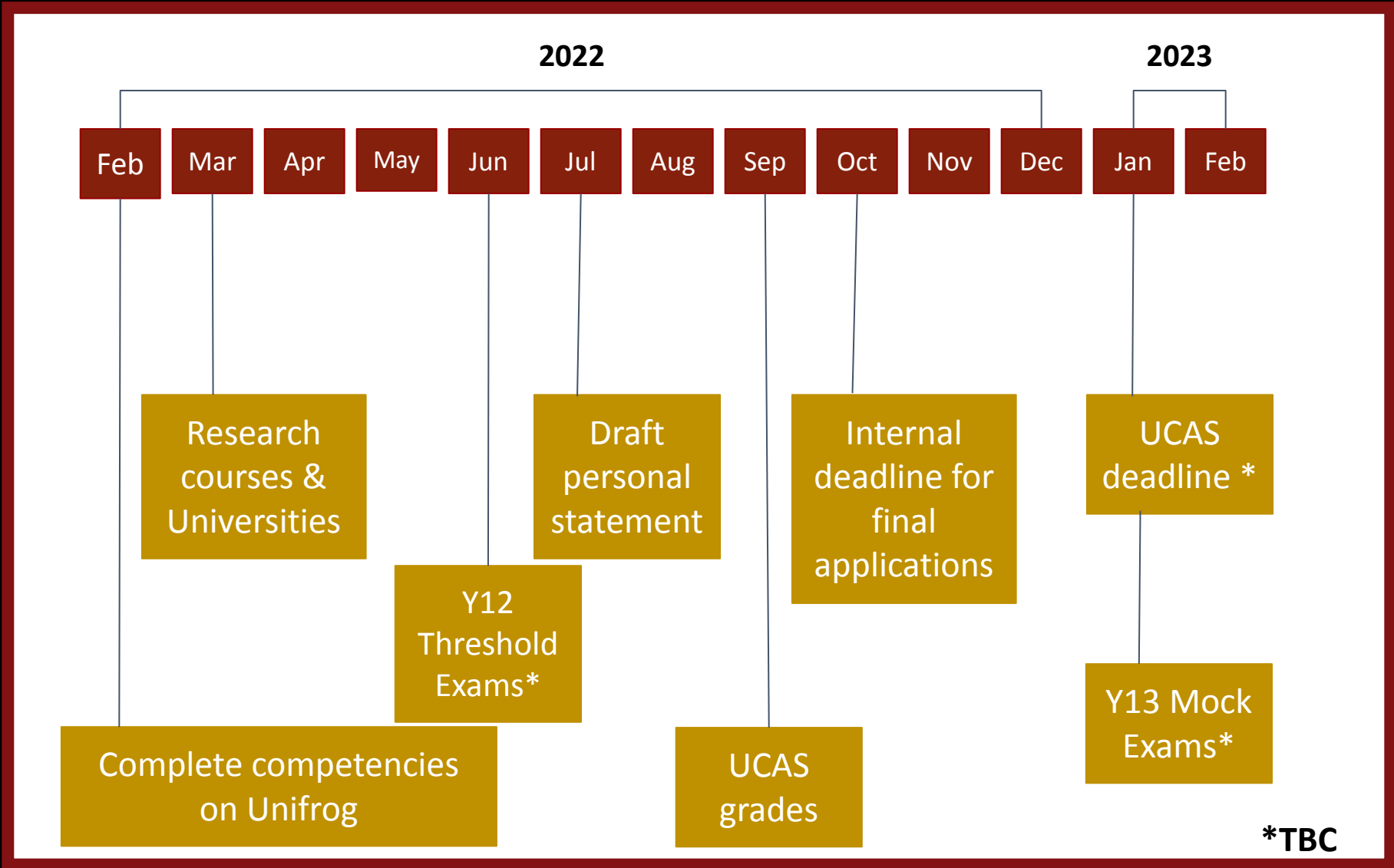
- Provides structured time for guidance and advice (starting this today)
- Reviews personal statement drafts
- Provides 'UCAS grades'
- Provides a school reference
- Dedicated member of staff who processes all applications

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Deadlines

- Student completion by internal deadline of Sunday 30th October ensures UCAS receive application by Christmas
- Oxbridge and medic applications required by 30th September
- Please remember compiling student references takes time



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Support as standard

- Dedicated time
- Support in tutorial sessions
- Access to Unifrog

Additional support

- Medics/ Vets: alumni talk, medics society, work experience opportunities
- Oxbridge: early preparation and guidance including mock interviews
- Art/ Drama/ Music: subject specialism help with portfolio and interview
- Others: various taster days and work experience opportunities promoted

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Key Success Factors

- Strong Yr 12 threshold exam performance (determines UCAS/ Apprenticeship grades)
- Realistic range of choices (aspirational, safe)
- Focused personal statement
- Strong reference from school
 - Communication with tutor key
- Meeting deadlines
- Final results closely match offer

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Unconditional and altered offers

Positives

- Reduced exam pressure
- Certainty

Negatives

- Usually conditional on Firm acceptance
- Potentially lowering ambition
- Impact upon Y13 exam outcome

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Common Questions

- What if Year 12 grades don't match aspirations?
- Can I apply through school after I leave?
- How does deferred entry work?
- Can I apply for two very different courses?
- Do I have to include all academic qualifications?
- What does firm and insurance choice mean contractually?



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