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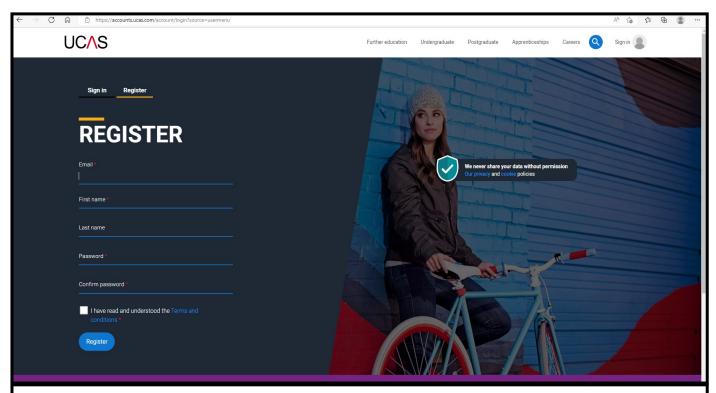






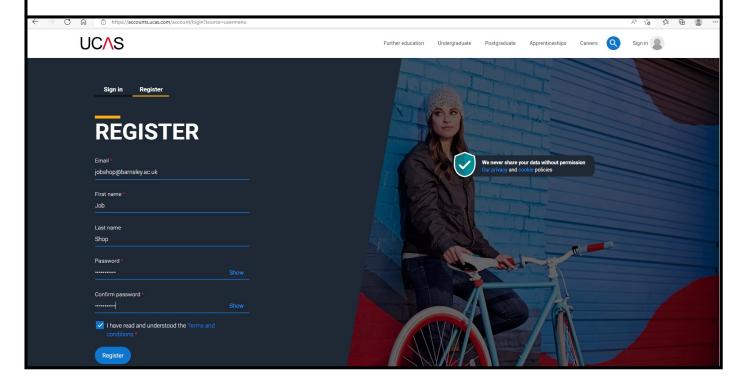


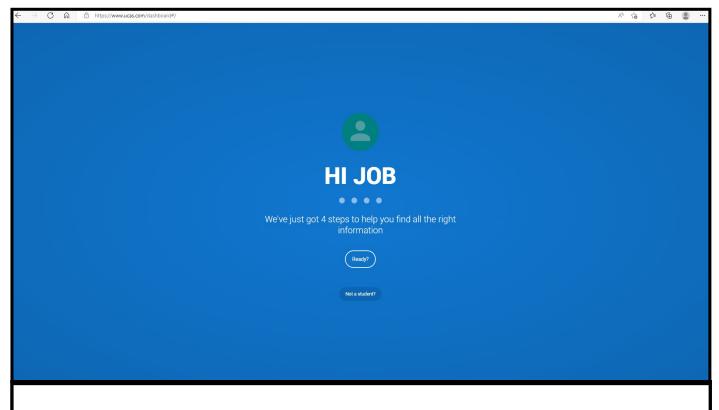
### **Creating an Account**



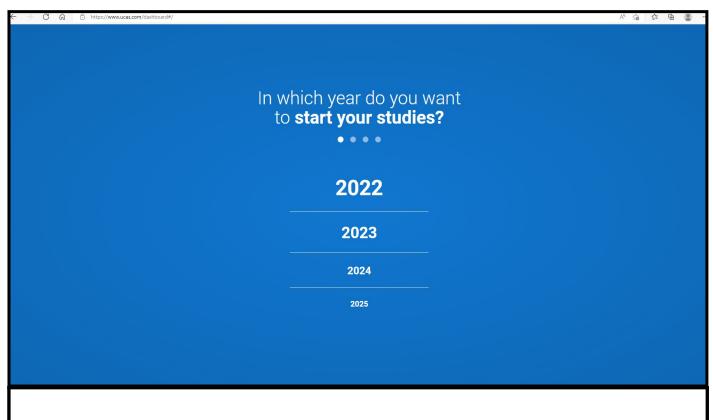
Firstly, you will need to register for an account on UCAS. When you go on the UCAS website (ucas.com) you will see an option to either sign in or register. Fill in these details (remember to make your password something that you will remember!) We put our name as "Job Shop" for the purpose of creating this guide—so any time you see this throughout this guide, it's because that's the name we entered!

NOTE: Do not use your student email address—you may not have access to this when you finish your course, and universities will need to get hold of you, using this email, right up to you starting there.

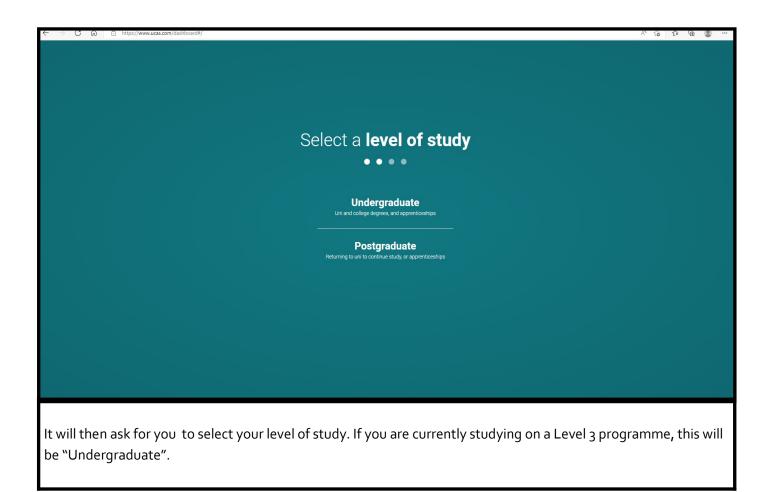


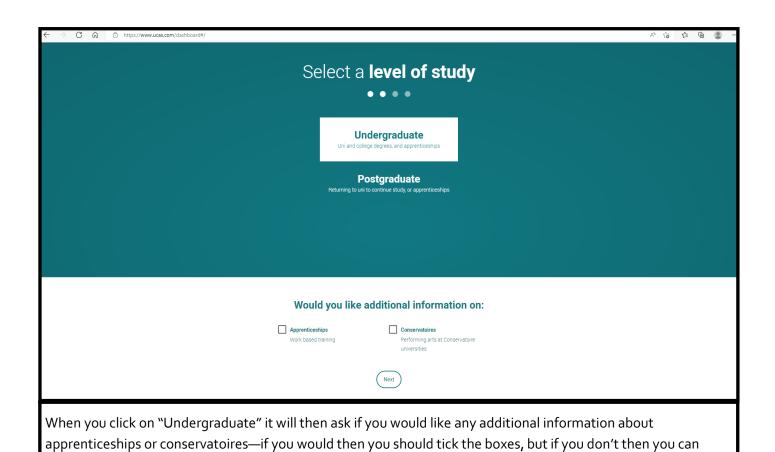


After clicking to register your account, you will then receive this page. Click "Ready" and continue registering your account using the steps below.

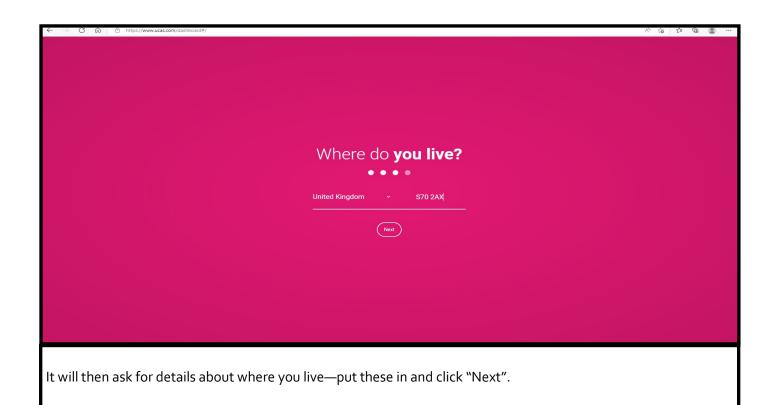


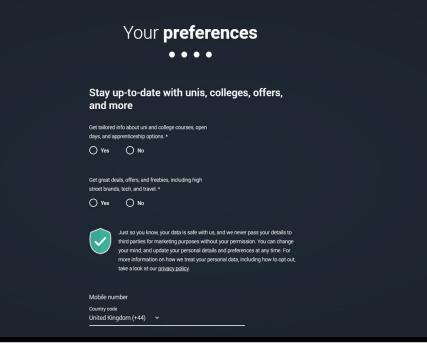
You will then need to select the year that you are planning on starting Higher Education. If you are planning on going straight to university after finishing at college, this will be "2024".



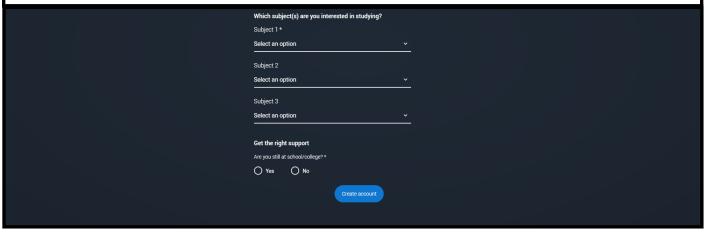


leave them unticked. Then click "Next".

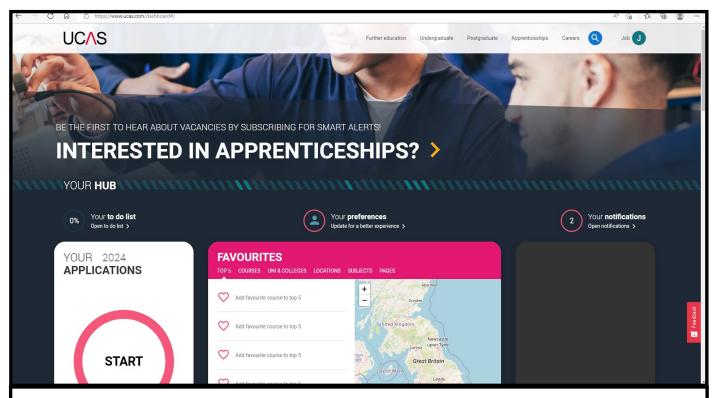




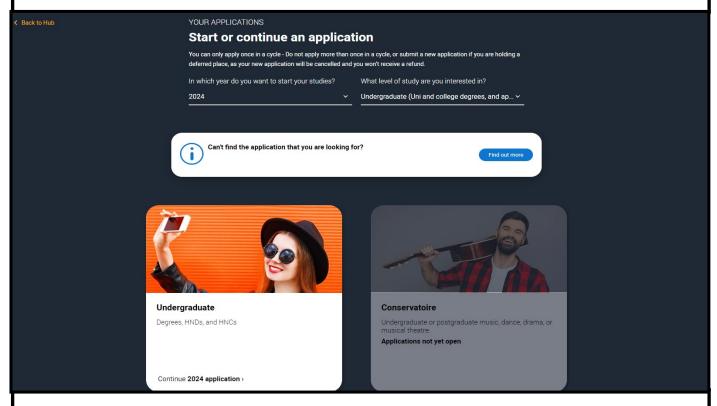
Fill out your preferences in this section—don't worry too much about the subject interests bit as shown below—this is just so that they can send tailored information if you choose to receive it. When you've finished click "Create Account.



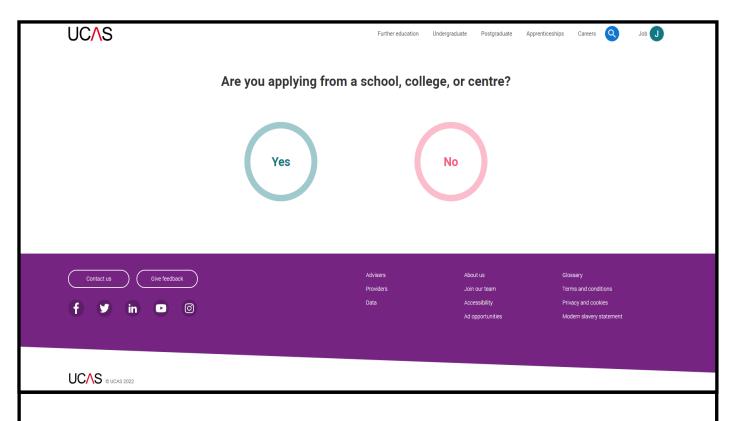
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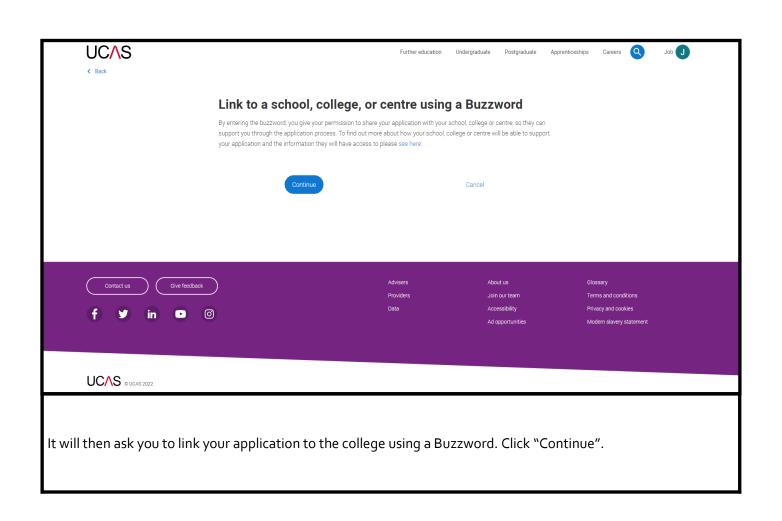
This is your Hub homepage. To start your application, click on the "START" button in the red circle in the box on the left side. Whenever you log into UCAS from now on, this is the page that you will have. To continue working on your application, you will also click on this box.

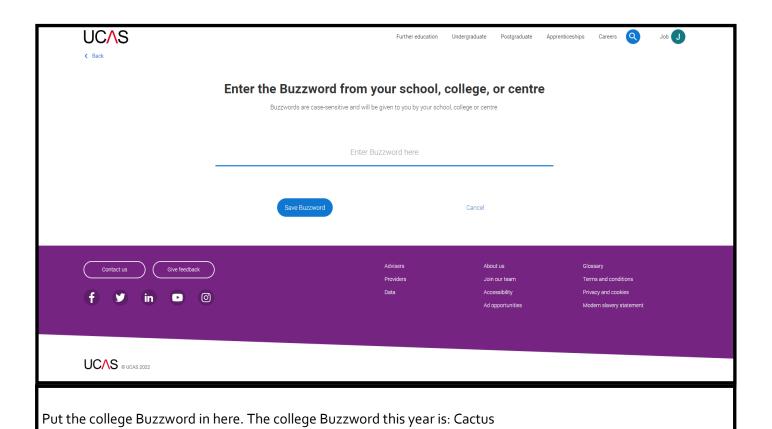


It will then ask you what type of application you would like to make. Unless you have already researched and know that you would like to apply to conservatoires, it is likely that you will be making an undergraduate application—so click this option.

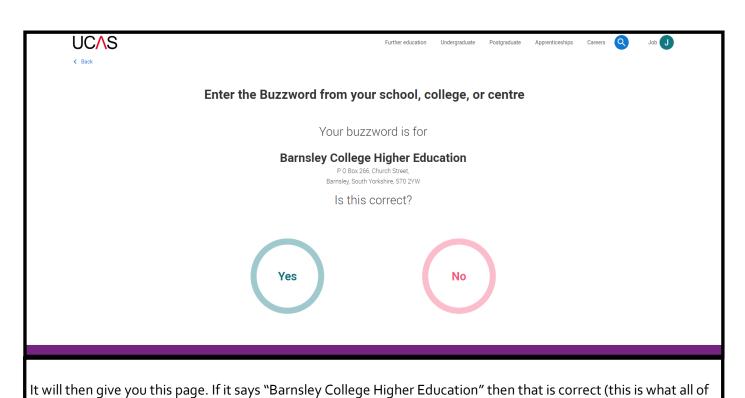


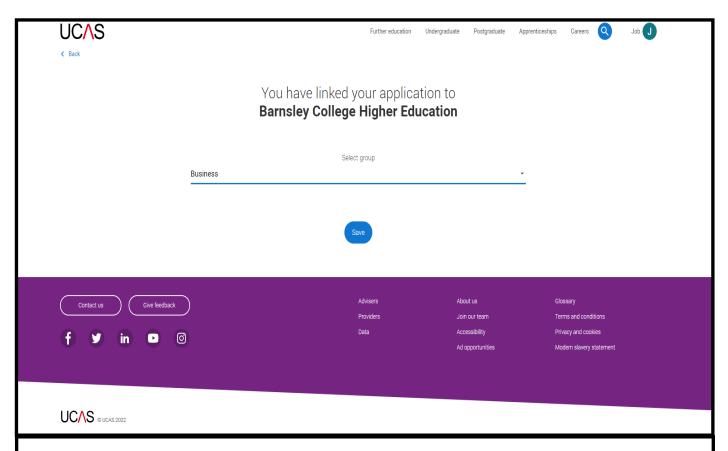
When you're asked if your applying through a school, college or centre—click "Yes". This means that the college can see your application and support you with this.



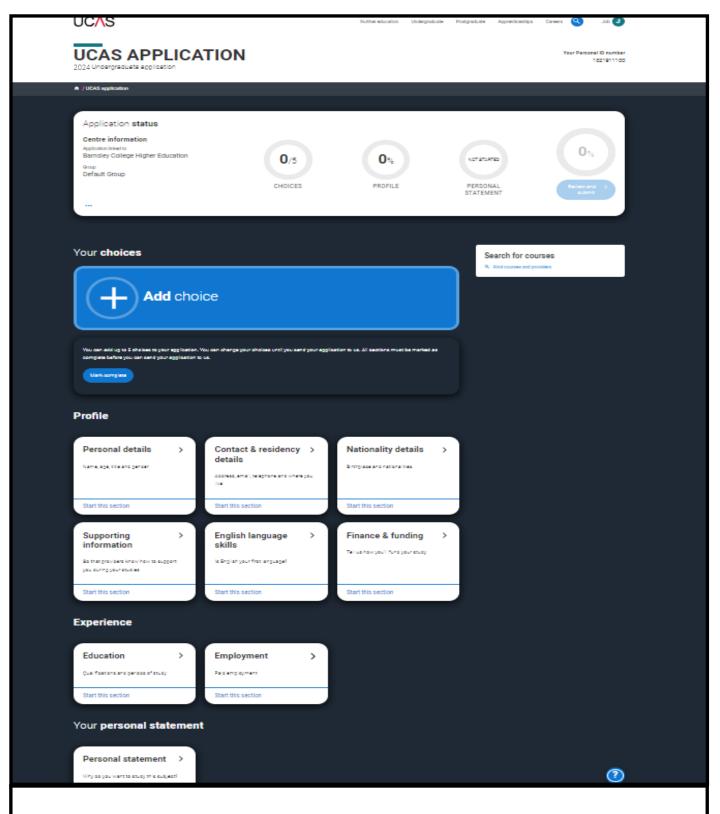


If you have any problems when entering the Buzzword, please get in contact with the Job Shop.





Now you need to select the group that you want your application to show in. Pick the group that either has your course title, or if there are multiple that do, click the one that also has your tutors name (we've used business as an example). If you can't find this on here, you can let your application go into the "Default" group, but this is not recommended as applications in here might not get noticed by tutors.



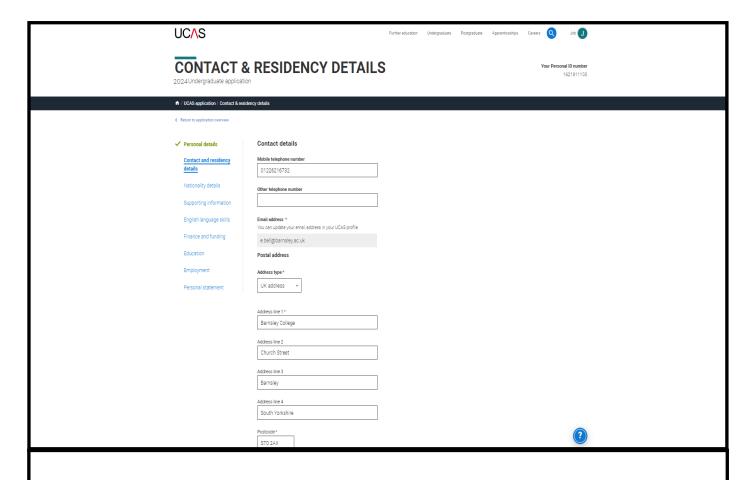
Once you have linked your application, you will get this page. This is where you fill out individual sections to complete your full application. To fill out or edit a section, just click on it.

## **Personal Details**

Personal details	Title *
Contact and residency details	Miss Y
Nationality details	First and middle name(s) *  Make sure your name is as it appears on any official documents, such as your passport, birth certificate or driving licence.
Supporting information	Job
English language skills	Last name *
Finance and funding	Make sure your name is as it appears on any official documents, such as your passport, birth certificate or driving licence.
Education	Shop
Employment	Previous name(s)
Personal statement	Tell us any other names you've been known by (for example maiden name), as it helps when we're matching educational records.
	Preferred name  Let us know what we, and your chosen universities and colleges, should call you in our correspondence.  Date of birth *  Day Month Year  04 \times 06 \times 2005 \times  Gender *  Select the gender you most identify with at this time. You can tell the university or college directly if you'd feel more comfortable identifying in another way, or if this changes.  Man Woman I use another term I prefer not to say
	Mark this section as complete *  You must complete all mandatory fields in this section before you can mark it as complete. All sections must be marked as complete before you can send your application.  Save this section

Enter your personal details here. Mark the section as complete by ticking the box at the bottom, and then click on the blue "Save this section" button.

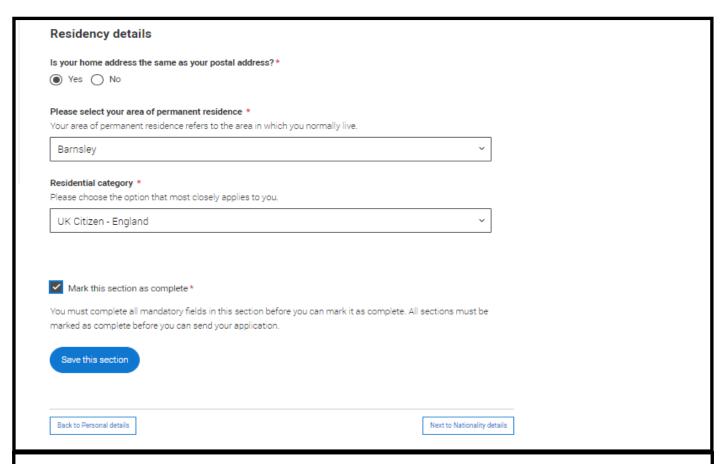
### **Contact and Residency Details**



Fill out your contact details—including your address. When you type in the information it asks for, it will display your full address (as shown here). It's important to get these right, and update UCAS if these details change, as this is how UCAS, universities and the Job Shop team may get in touch with you about your application.

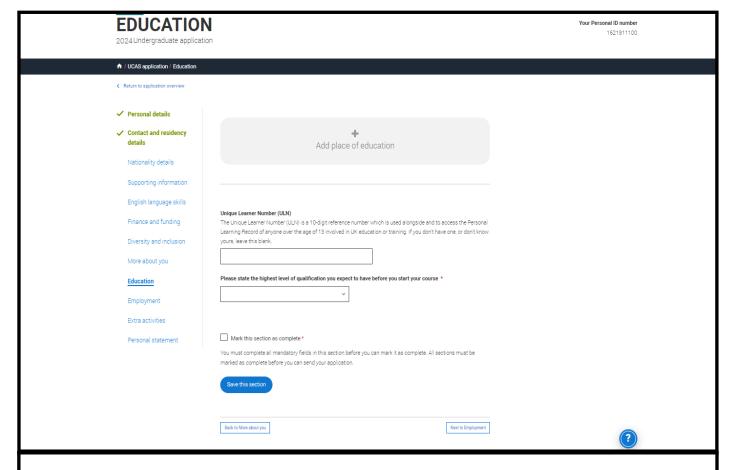
# Nominated access Do you want someone else to be able to act, or speak on your behalf, about your application? e.g. A parent, teacher, other relative or guardian. If you are using an agent, you can choose to enter their details. You're able to enter details of someone you're happy to help manage your application - this is called nominated access. Parent of nominee \* The first and last name of your nominee. They will be asked this information when speaking to UCAS on your behalf. Parent Job Shop Relationship to you \* How you know your nominee. They will be asked this information when speaking to UCAS on your behalf. Parent

As you scroll further down the page, you will see this section about nominated access, We usually recommend that you put the details of someone that you trust in here (usually a parent or guardian)



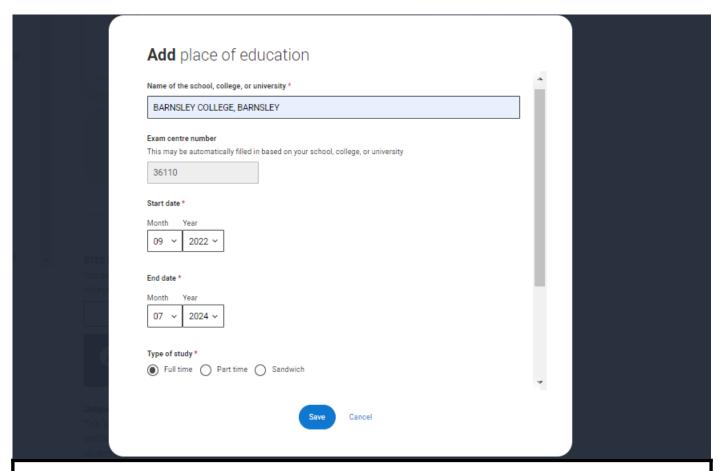
Under the nominated access section is the residency details section. For this, just answer the questions using the tick box and drop down boxes, to describe what best describes your residency details. This helps universities see if you are likely to need sponsorship or visas etc. to study in the UK or if you are a UK resident. Once you have completed this section, tick the box to mark it as complete and click on "Save this section".

### **Education**

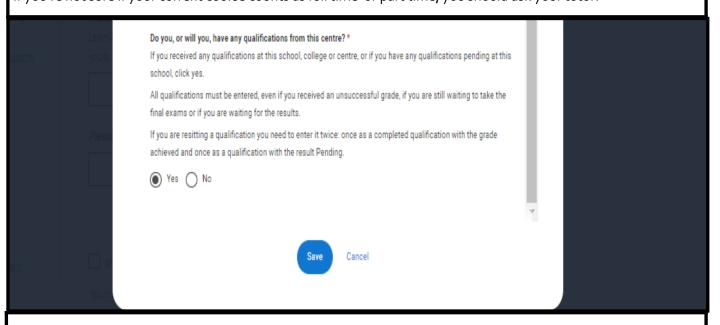


This is the education section of the form—where you need to put in all the details of your current and past qualifications. You need to put in the details of any qualification you have ever sat—regardless of the grade that you achieved. If you're resitting English or Maths in college, make sure to include your original grades under your school, as well as under the college (with the result set to "pending").

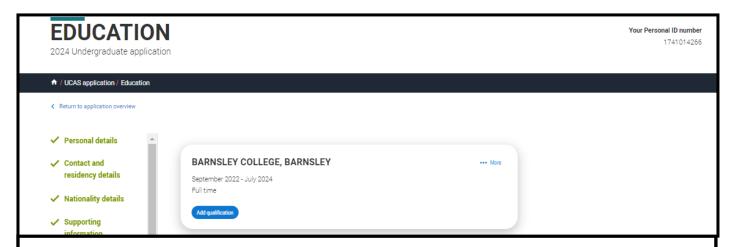
Click on the big grey "Add place of education" button to add your school and college. You will need to add these separately, and then add the individual subjects for each of them.



When you click to add a place of education, the above window will pop up on your screen. Type in the name of your school or college, along with the dates you were there, (for your current course you should set the planned end date—usually July). Your type of study for school will be "full time" and for most Level 3 courses it is the same. If you're not sure if your current course counts as full time or part time, you should ask your tutor.

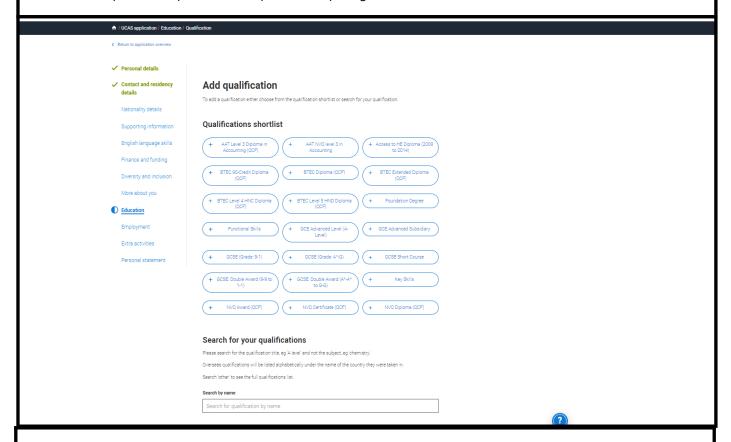


It asks if you already have, or will have, any qualifications from this place of study (as shown above) - for anywhere you have done any qualifications (including the college) the answer will be yes. Once you have filled this in, click the blue "Save" button.

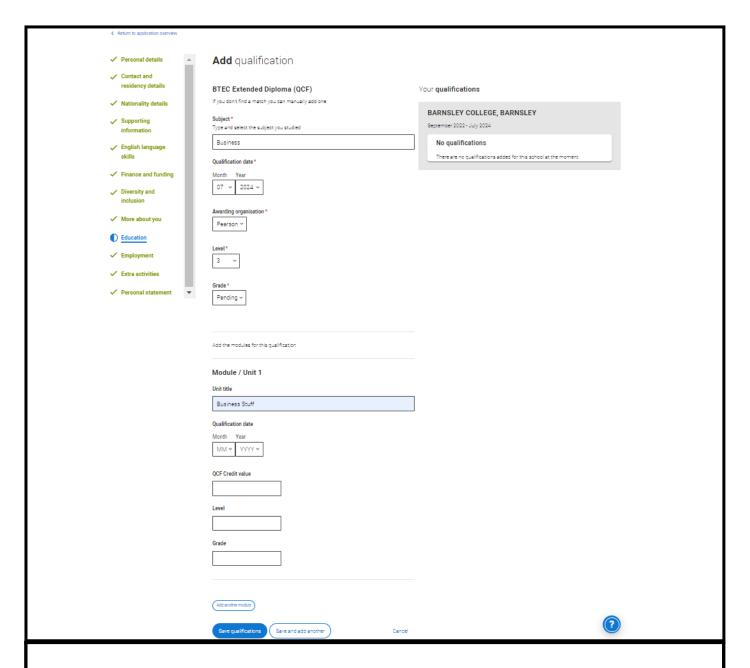


When you've added your school or college, your education page will look like this. You'll have the ability to add another place of education, and add your qualifications to the place you've just inputted.

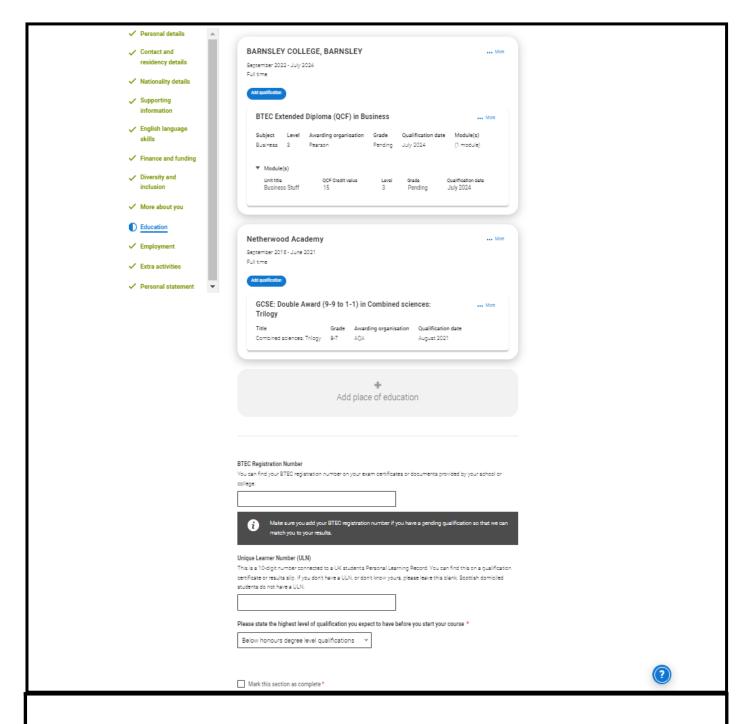
To add your qualifications—click on add qualification. If it asks if you want to proceed without saving your changes you can click yes, or click no and then save them using the save button at the bottom of the page. Do not mark the section as complete until you have completed everything.



To add a qualification—either click on the box that has the right qualification in it—or if you can't see it, type it into the search box near the bottom of the page. It's important that you get your qualification information right, as some are worth more UCAS points than others—although they may look similar.



This is an example of the page that comes up when you click to enter your qualification. The information that it asks for will vary depending on what type of qualification you have clicked on. Make sure that you enter all of the information fully (if you're not sure about any of it —ask your tutor). When you've done inputting the information, click "Save qualifications" to save and go back to the education section—or click "Save and add another" to add another qualification of the same type (useful for inputting things like GCSEs—but not when adding a double award GCSE such as Double Science—which is a separate option).



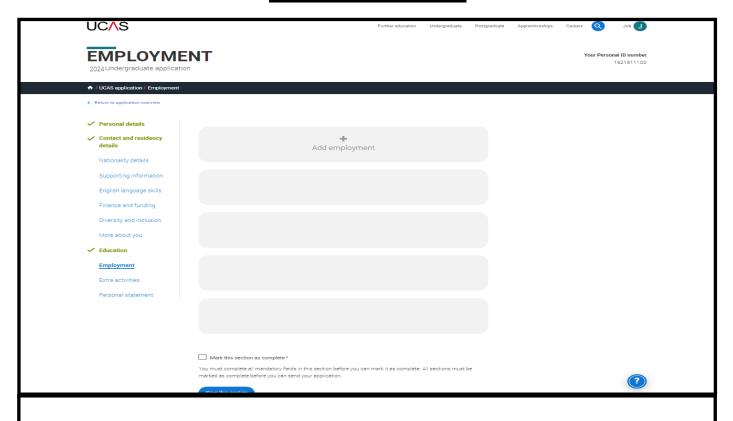
This is an example of what your education page might look like once you have begun to add your qualifications. This will be slightly different for each person, and will obviously have more (and maybe different) qualifications than the one illustrated in this guide.

If you have inputted a BTEC qualification into your education, you may see that it asks you for a BTEC registration number. This should be on your certificate. You should also be able to find your Unique Learner Number (ULN) there.

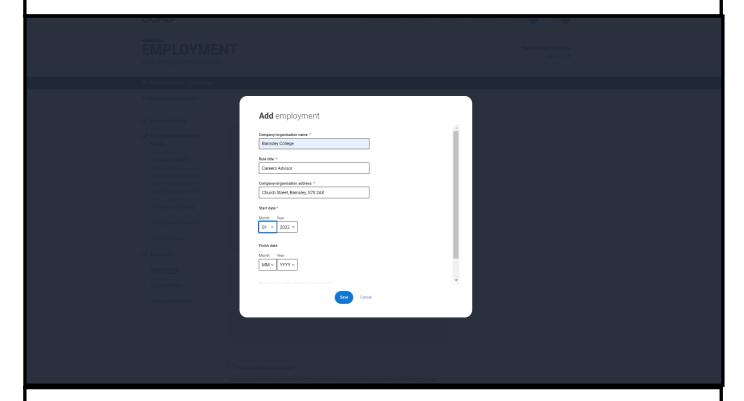
It asks you for a highest level of education—this should be "Below honours degree level" unless you already have a degree.

Once you have put all of this information in, and put ALL of the qualifications you have ever sat in, then you can mark the section as complete and click the blue "Save this section" button.

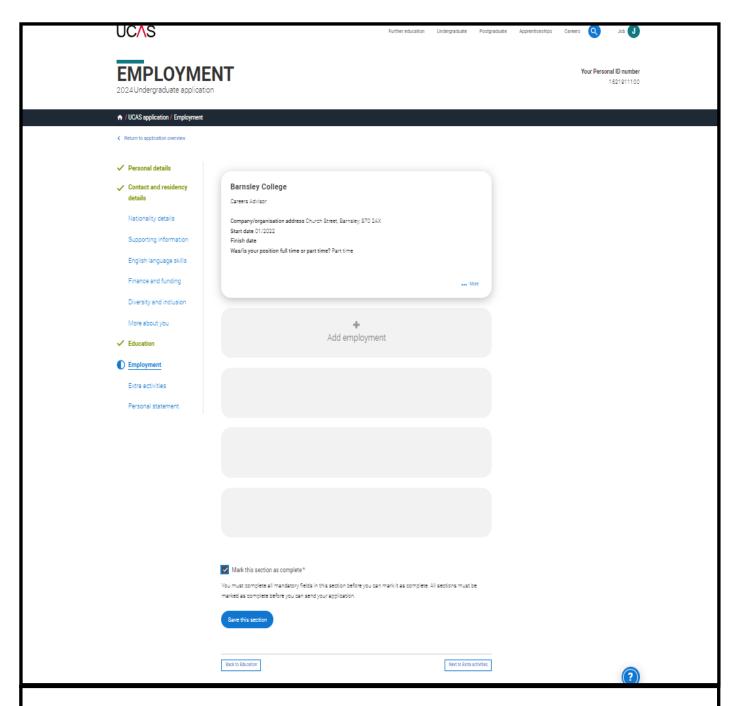
### **Employment**



You can add any PAID work that you have done in this section. Do not include any volunteering or work experience you have done in here-only work that you have been paid for (such as a part-time job). To add a new employment record—click on the grey "Add employment" button.



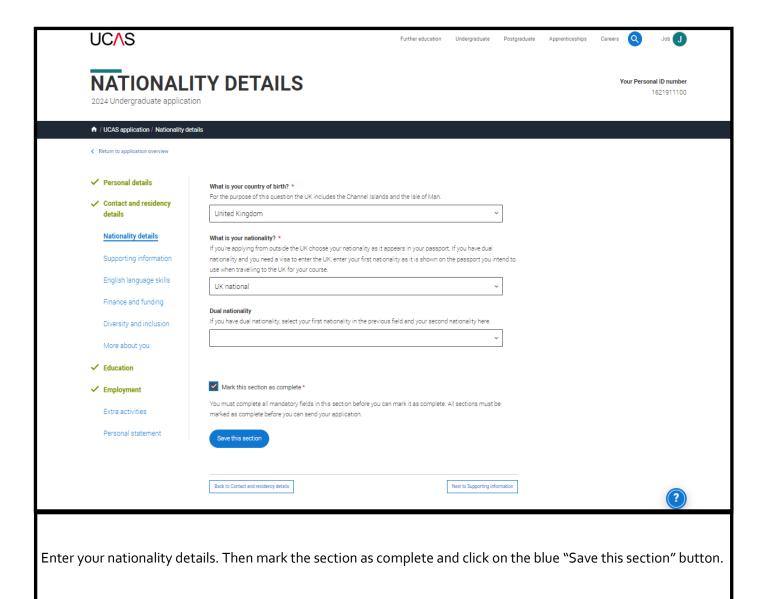
Fill out the details that it asks for. Check your spelling—there's no spell check in this section! Once you have put your details in, click on the blue "Save" button.



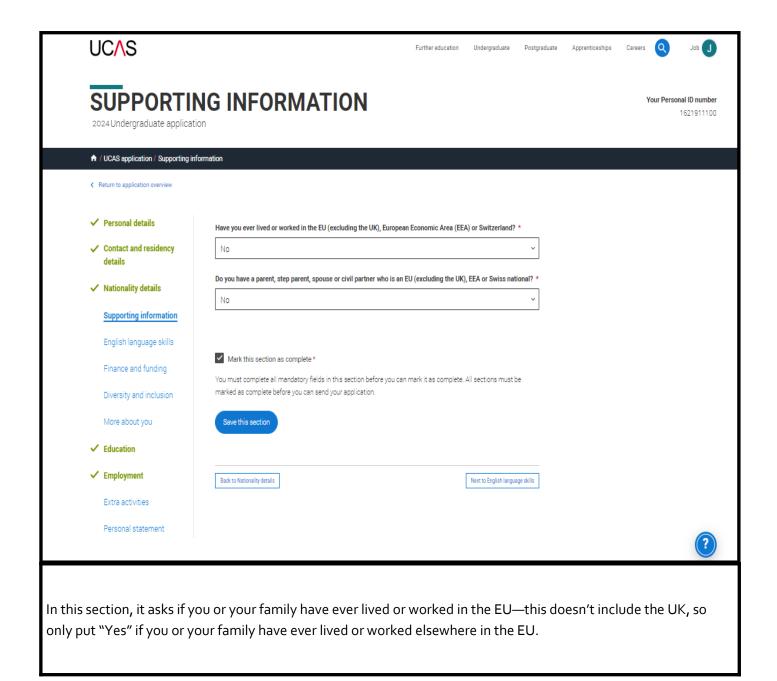
Once you've added your employment—your page will look something like this. You can add multiple if you have had more than one job. Once you have added any employment that you have to add—click to mark the section as complete, and then click the blue "Save this section" button.

If you don't have any employment history to add, you can just mark this section as complete and save it without adding anything.

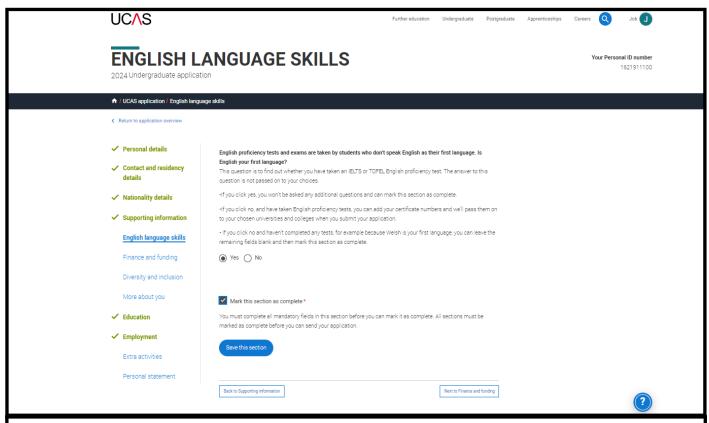
### **Nationality Details**



### **Supporting Information**

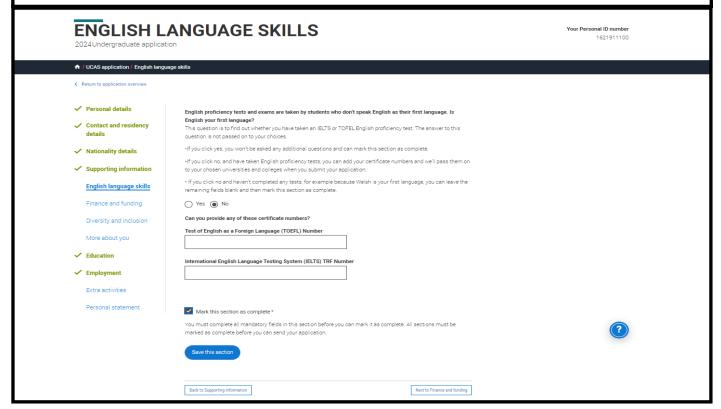


### **English Language Skills**

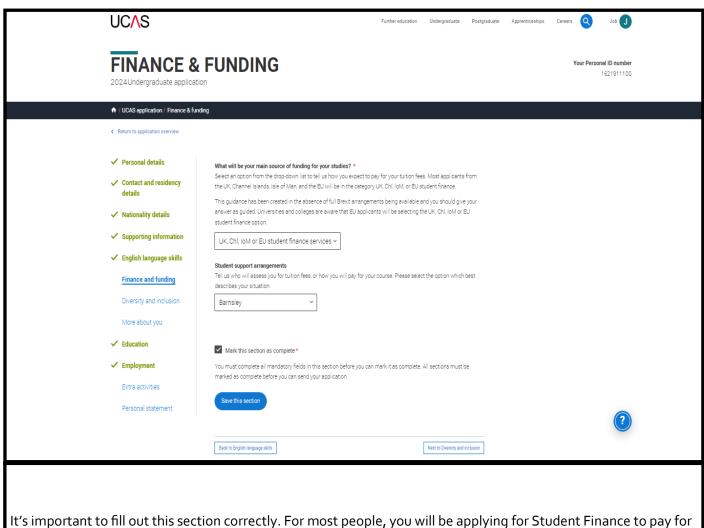


For this one, you just need to select whether English is your first language or not. If your answer is yes, just select "Yes", mark the box as complete and then click the "Save this section" button.

If English is not your first language, select "no". You will then be asked if you have a TOEFL or IELTS number to provide (as seen below). If you do, input these here. Then click to mark the box as complete and click the blue "Save this section" button.

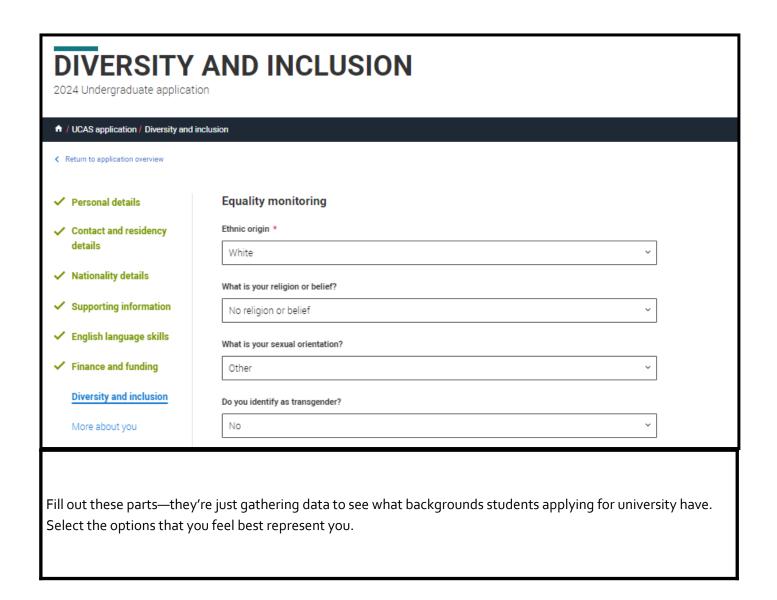


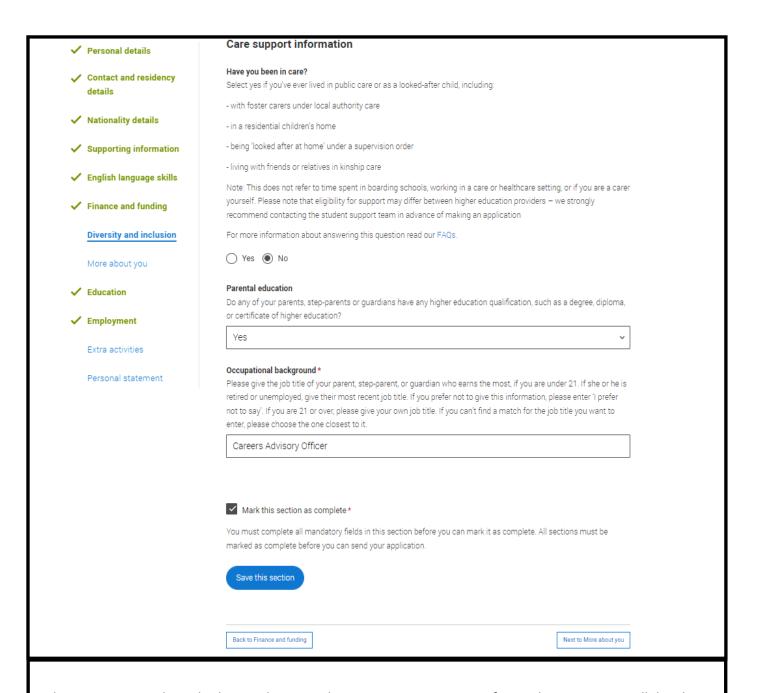
### **Finance and Funding**



It's important to fill out this section correctly. For most people, you will be applying for Student Finance to pay for your course—so you select fee code "o2..." from the drop-down. Under "student support arrangements" you select the name of the place that you live / the council where you live—e.g. Barnsley.

### **Diversity and Inclusion**

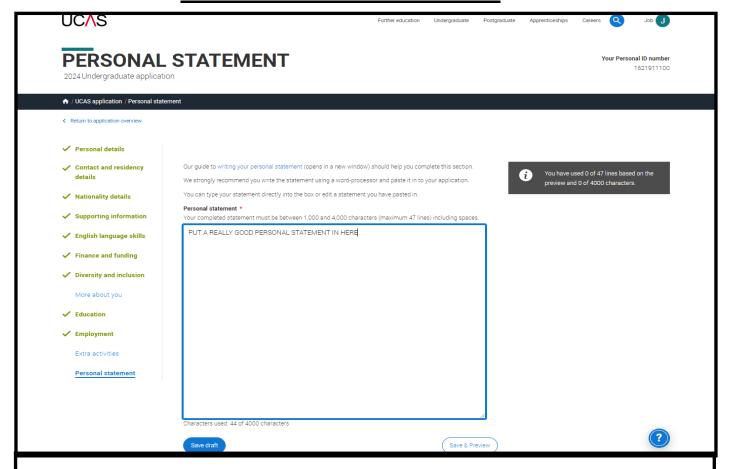




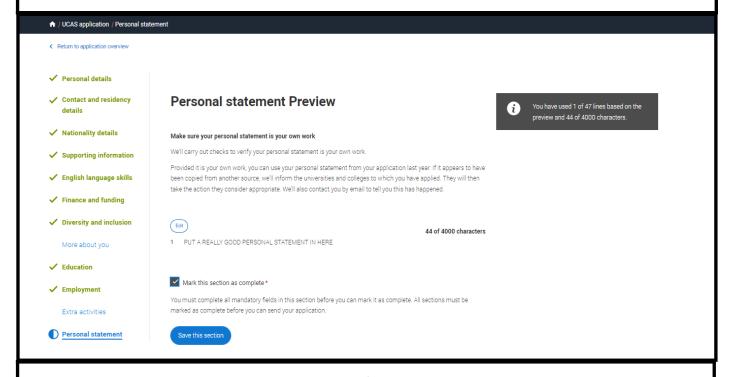
In this section, you select whether you have ever been in care "yes" or "no". If you select "yes", you will then have to select how long you have been in care. Again, this is to ensure that appropriate financial and support arrangements are made with the university. Note: if you're not sure what this means, the answer is probably "no".

You need to put in your parental education, and the job title of your highest earning parent—again this has no impact on your application—so don't worry too much if you can't find an exact match—go with what sounds the nearest.

### Personal Statement

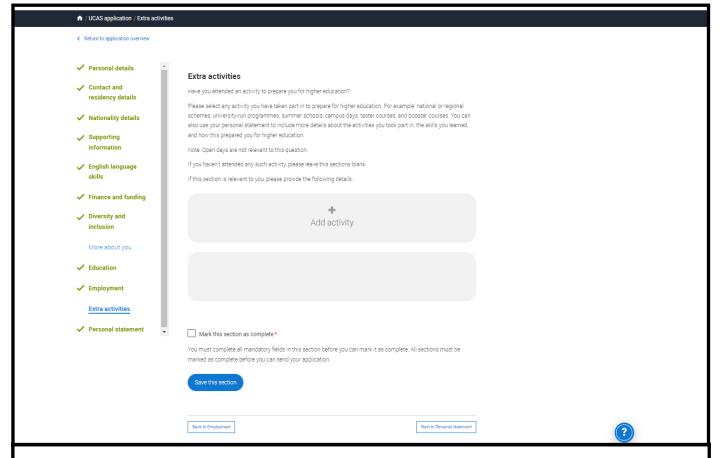


Copy and paste your personal statement into the box on this page. We always recommend writing your statement on Word and pasting it in here, instead of writing it in here straight away, because there is no spell check feature on this page. For support with creating your personal statement, please contact your tutor or the Job Shop team. Once you have done this, click on the "Save & Preview" button.



Check that you're happy with your statement and that it fits within the UCAS criteria, then click to mark the section as complete and click on the blue "Save this section" button.

### **Extra Activities**

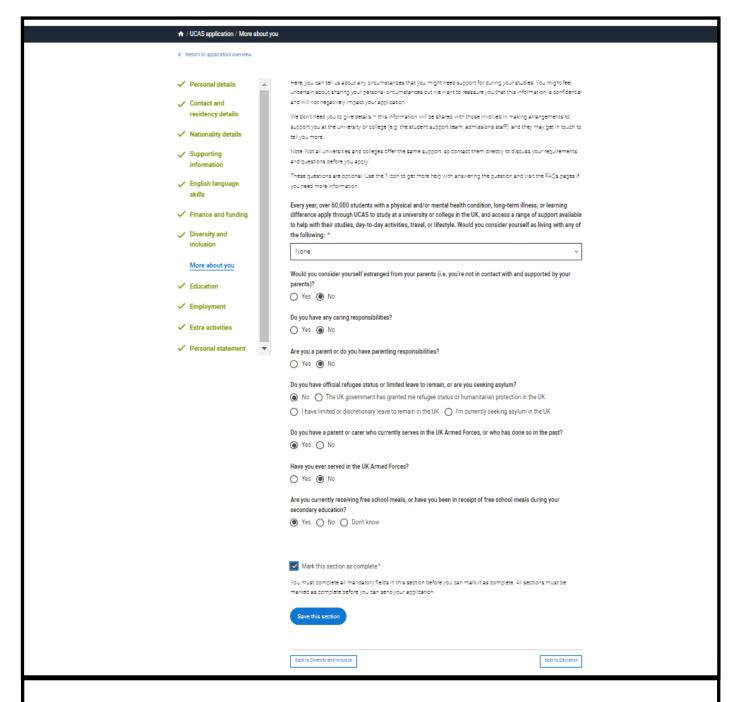


For this section of your application, you can select any activity that you have taken part in to prepare for higher education e.g. campus days, university-run programmes, taster courses etc. Open days are NOT relevant to this question. If you haven't attended any such activity you can leave these sections blank, but still mark this section as complete!

If this section is relevant to you click on the grey "Add activity" button and answer the questions using the drop-down boxes.

Once you have completed this section tick the "Mark this section as complete" box and press the blue "Save this section" button .

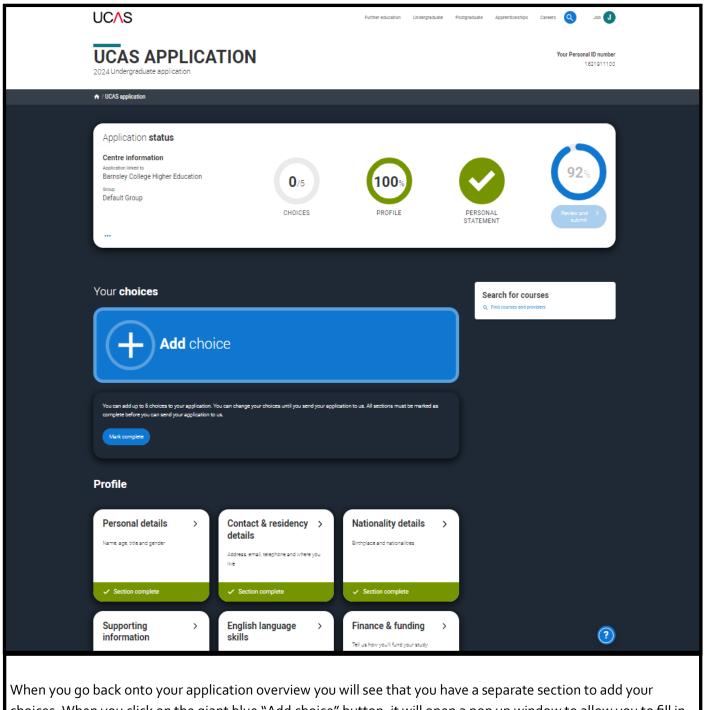
### More about you



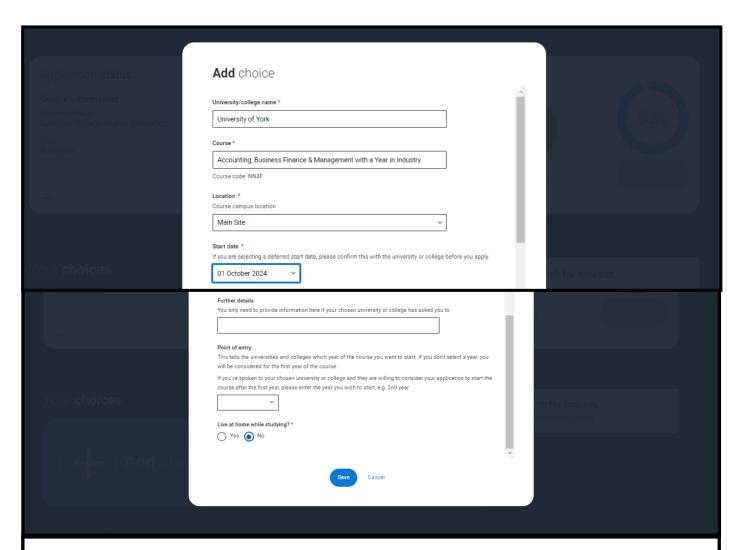
In this section of your application, it is a chance for you to tell them about any circumstances that you might need support for during your studies. This information is confidential and it WON'T affect your application. Not all universities or colleges offer the same support, so make sure you contact them directly to discuss your requirements and questions before you apply.

Answer these questions by ticking "yes" or "no" and by using the drop-down boxes. Once you have completed this section tick the box to "Mark this section as complete" and click the blue "Save this section" button.

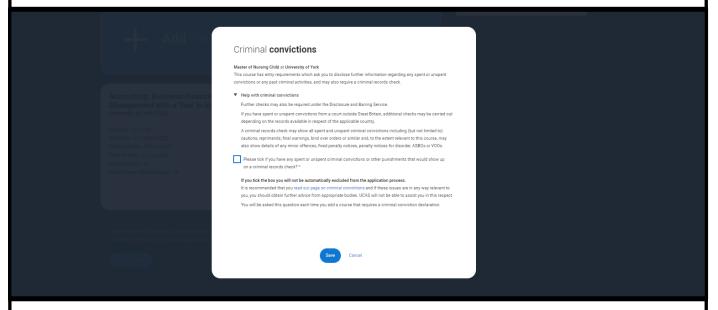
### **Adding your choices**



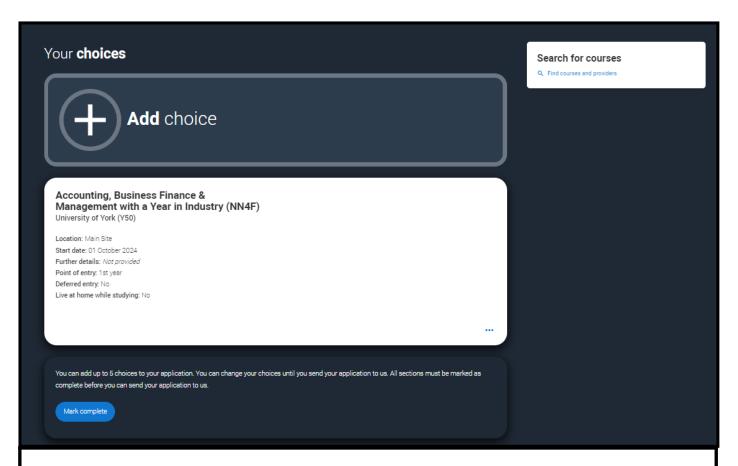
When you go back onto your application overview you will see that you have a separate section to add your choices. When you click on the giant blue "Add choice" button, it will open a pop up window to allow you to fill in the details of your choice. You add these one at a time.



This is the page that you will see when you click to add a choice. Fill in the information that it asks for, which can be found on the UCAS course search. Your options that you can input will vary depending on the university and course that you select from the drop down options (after you start typing it in). Please make sure that you make your choices carefully, and don't accidentally click to apply for a top-up, Masters or deferred entry (unless that is what you are trying to apply for). You will most likely be starting on the first year of a course (unless it includes a foundation year) in which case you can leave the "point of entry" box blank.



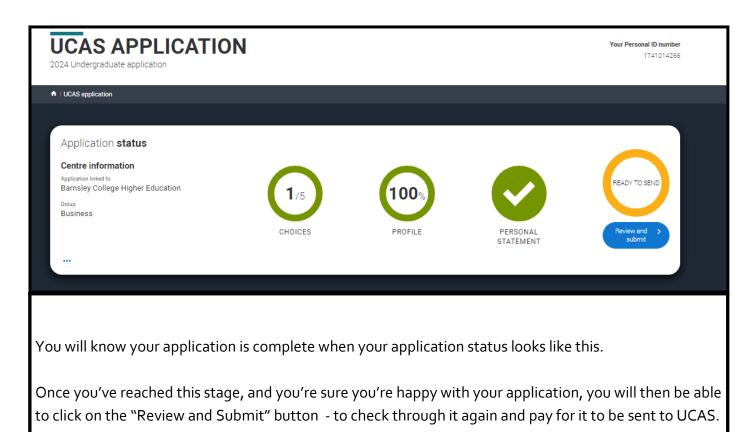
If you choose a subject, such as nursing, which requires you to have a DBS check (and so declare any criminal convictions) you will then get this screen of questions. If your course doesn't require this, this screen will not appear. Only tick the box if you do have any criminal convictions or punishments that would show on a record.



Once you've added your choices, you'll see that they look like this on your application overview.

Once you have finished adding your choices, click on the blue "Mark complete" button under your choices—this shows that this section is complete.

### **Your Completed Application**



### **What Happens Next?**

After you have submitted your application, there are a few things that will happen:

- Your tutor (or someone in your department) will check over it—they will tell you if there are any changes to be made. If there are changes to be made, they will return the application to you so that you can edit it. If there are no changes to be made, they will approve your application.
- Your tutor (or someone in your department) will then add your reference and predicted grade to your application.
- Another tutor in your department will then approve this reference.
- Once your application and reference have been approved by your department, it will then become
  available for the Job Shop team to check over.
  - If there are no changes to be made, the Job Shop team will send your application to UCAS.
- If there are changes to be made, they will return your application to you, with an email explaining what needs changing. If your application is returned to you, you will need to make the changes, then resend your application (you won't be charged twice!) and then your department will need to approve it again.

This will then be checked again by the Job Shop team before being sent to UCAS.