Plan your History application

For the current three-question UCAS format. Your answers share 4,000 characters including spaces; each answer needs at least 350 characters. Check the live form.

For most 2027-entry courses without the October deadline, equal consideration ends on 13 January 2027 at 18:00 UK time. Check the exact course and your earlier school deadline. Oxford and Cambridge had an earlier usual deadline.

My courses, entry year and school / course deadlines:

Q1: Why do you want to study this course or subject?

A historical question, reading or debate that changed my thinking:

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Optional personal support. No commitment to book.

Use your studies as evidence

Q2: How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject? Select examples and explain what you learnt.

Study example: what did I investigate or do?

What did it teach me about evidence, argument or interpretation?

How does this connect to the courses I am applying for?

Avoid repeating grades already recorded elsewhere. Mention an EPQ or coursework only accurately and in line with your school rules. Keep assessed work and your application your own.

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Reflect on preparation beyond lessons

Q3: What else have you done to prepare outside of formal education, and why are these experiences useful? There is no requirement for expensive activities.

Reading, work, caring, volunteering or another genuine experience:

What did I learn, question or do differently?

Why is that useful preparation for the courses?

Final check: answer all three questions; remove repetition; verify claims and references; check the live character counters. Ask for questions and clarity feedback, not replacement wording. No workbook can guarantee an offer.

Official format and deadlines: ucas.com. For general guidance and a private self-review: uanduni.co.uk/personal-statements/. For History support: janeclarkhistory.com/university-applications/.

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