

# Uni Fare UK Tues 01/03/16

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## Southampton

### Scholarships

Merit based, if you beat your offer for Southampton, e.g. if your offer is 6 and you get a 7 in a HL you would get 1k UKP scholarship

### Why UK?

200 universities in total

High ranking

High levels of satisfaction

Tradition and innovation (120 to 130 nationalities)

Chance to work and get experience in the UK

Also have chance to study abroad (sandwich years in the UK)

28 to 38 points

Ucas starts in Sept

5 choices to apply for

Need to chose firm and insurance choice from those unis that have offered you a place

15th Jan Deadline (for UK students), but also highly recommended for international students

Need to write personal statement

Cost : 15k to 22k UKP

Expect 9 to 12K living costs

Scholarships - Southampton have 30% for first year

Guarantee accommodation for the 1st year

Also do a meet and greet from airport.

80 to 160UKP per week accomodation

Can also get catered rooms, and ensuite.

## Warwick

51 years old

Top 50 uni in the world

Top 10 unis in the UK

1/3 students are from abroad

**19th in the world for employer reputation**

Campus uni, about 20min walk from accommodation

Arts, social science, science

Do MORSE for actuarial science, PPE, no Medics or Arch or ChemEng

## Uni of Strathclyde, Glasgow

Big city, shopping, nightlife, but small city centre

1796 start, but got it's charter in 1965

Big on engineering, got ChemEng ann Arch

Also got finance, law school is top 14 in UK

Got UK uni of the year in 2012

20% of students are international

350UKP spent on new campus

Close to the city centre

Royal college dates to 18th C

## Questions:

### Top 5 questions:

1. Acceptance rate for international students?
2. What main countries do the international students come from?
3. Scholarships?
4. Fee structure for EU and international students
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6. Number of graduates pursuing their undergraduate subject afterwards?
7. Student to teacher ratio?
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## Southampton

81st in the world

14th in UK

Russell Group

Top UK uni for spinoff companies

Tim Burners-Lee is a professor

Most affordable city to live in int UK

1 hour from London by train

Broad based university - Don't do architecture and Chem Eng

## Regent's University London

Only independent not for profit uni

140 students from around the world

97% employability

Undergrad and Postgrad

Bit of riddle really, not heard about this

## Brunel

50years old, very well regarded for new unis

Well regarded for engineering

Business school won award in 2013

Social sciences, physiotherapy, journalism, media

15k Students, 55% of students are from abroad

Campus based uni

15min from Heathrow Airport (and offer taxi service)

Scholarships offered for undergrad

Guarantee accommodation for 1st year

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Emily College Counselor

Works to help students study abroad

Grades start matter in first year of High School

Are you taking the best courses you possibly can

Tracking activities, what you did, how many hours per week, and how many weeks per year

[www.CollegeBoard.org](http://www.CollegeBoard.org) to look at the programs

Brazilian students often suggests that they wished they had read and written more before studying in the US.

Need to try to understand the requirements of a course before you apply so you can adjust your profile to meet those requirements.

College comparison chart (a perfect one has no more than 12 schools on it),

A balanced list 1-10% dream schools, 70 to 80% target schools, 15 to 20% "safety schools"

Target schools: Should go to the school that makes you successful.

"Safety schools" should still be schools you are proud to go to.

Can get a letter of recommendation in Portuguese, and sometimes this is better to translate afterwards.

ACTION PLANS for students and parents: [favcebook.com/BSCUE](https://www.facebook.com/BSCUE)

UC Riverside

UC has its own application system

Students need to be college ready to be accepted.

2 Personal essays, + small personal statement, to see what kind of person you are, what makes you special beyond your grades.

Entry requirements:

- A. social sciences (e.g. history of geography): 2 years
- B. Language of instruction (e.g. English): 4 years
- C. Math (including geometry): 3 years
- D. Sciences: 2 years
- E. Language (e.g. Portuguese): 2 years
- F. Visual or performing arts; 1 year,
- G. Elected course, e.g. economics; 1 year

Think about things that could make you more than the average college graduate, e.g. clubs, internships and other things that will allow you to demonstrate that you are different

Bloomfield uni (near NYC, about an hour away)

150years ols, small private liberal arts college

Computer animation (one of top in Eastern)

Have business, and premed.

Do lots of internships inside NYC, also near to DC, Philadelphia

Middle Tennessee

Have Mylee Cyrus and Taylor Swift

20min from Nashville

Offer Aerospace program, own airport

140programs, including honour scholarships

University of California, Riverside

Public research institution

90 majors, including engineering, and social sciences, natural and ecological sciences, Sciences

400student clubs and organisations

Most popular club is navy club(?)

University of Oklahoma

Do meteorology, dance and performing arts (number 1 program)

Also do lots of engineering

Spoken word poetry (rap) - got a full scholarship

There are 5k unis and colleges, so there is a school for you

Set yourself apart, what makes you different.

Idaho State Uni

Grades tell a story, what story does your grades tell about you?

Essay is important for your scholarships. What is the reason behind why, for instance, you want to be a doctor.

Better to talk about one thing you are an expert at, not 20 things you do a little.

What thing about your interests actually engages you

Put your heart and soul into your essay

Uni of Michigan, Flynt

Want B average or above, got iGCSEs therefore don't need TOEFL

How much credit will the Uni give you for doing the IB

What they are looking for completeness of the documentation

Honours college, same momentum as IB, worth considering.

Flagler university, Florida, in St Augustine, oldest City in the US

Deadlines: Early decisions, rolling admissions, open admissions (no deadlines).

When applying to a Uni ensure the supplement requirements that are school specific are met (500 unis use common app)

If essay is optional, don't assume it really is, very important, especially for scholarship applications or consideration for honours system

30 academic majors Including: Graphic design and arts, sports management

Students who intern for CNN, NASA and Marvel

Iowa State university

Large 4year institution, 36k students

Over 100 programs: Big on Engineering, Architecture, agriculture (including biotech), animal science (e.g. Vet)

TOFL required, through common app

Scholarships - Merit based for Int Students (Assigned based on SAT or ACT scores)

Uni of Michigan, Flint

Near the great lakes

120majors, including education

SAT and ACT are not required, but can help with scholarships

One of the largest alumni associations in the world

8k students (mid size)

15 to 1 student to teacher

# Useful questions to ask

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# Berklee College Music Boston

23 October 2015 13:54

Javier Barra giving talk, director of admissions (Americas), plays guitar  
Zezo and Pedro (from work) - Alumni

Largest music school in the world  
205 Grammys from alumni, including Quincy Jones  
Simpsons and Lord of the Rings composed by Berklee

2 main sources of revenue for musicians -  
Song writing royalties  
Touring

## Application process

(SEE Audition)  
Online app  
TOFL Score (not needed for IB students) of 72  
Must be able to read sheet music (not essential to read that well)  
Must send in high school transcripts

Main Writing and Tech undergrad degrees:

## Song writing

Jazz (world music, including rock etc) composition  
Composition  
Film Scoring  
Contemporary writing and production

## Tech:

Music production and engineering  
Electronic production and design

## Music Business:

Scholarships:

Determined by **audition** largely  
Cost is 30K, average scholarship is 20K per year

## Summer programs:

Designed to get a glimpse of school  
From 1 day to 12 weeks  
Whole variety of foci, e.g. voice, composition  
Most popular is the 5 week program, like a mini semester

## Audition

Must choose an audition venue, in last week of January, interview all over the world, including Rio and SP

**Audition is the core selection procedure** - also allows you to be considered for scholarship  
Audition is 5min tops - could be a composition

Try to show your culture

Improvise, ideally

11K students audition per year, 2.5K get accepted.

No absolute amount of numbers per country

## Interview:

15min talk about culture,

Berklee Online

yourself

Largest online music university online

International students from (order given)  
Canada,  
Korea,  
China,  
Mexico,  
Europe

Urban campus, 120 different nationalities represented by the student body  
16 story student accommodation building

4500 undergraduate students in total  
Boston Conservatory, oldest performing arts school in the US, merging.

# Curtin University of Technology Perth Australia

29 October 2015 13:55

Given by **Rafael Moreira**, Brazilian rep, (+55 11 9421 30282)  
rafael.moreira@curtin.edu.au (And Camilla, former student, dentist)  
Is willing to meet parents, visits Rio about once a month

500 courses offered

Perth = Beach city, one of the best places to surf in the world

Oil and gas and mining industries dominant, Western Australia is richest state.

Top 10 most liveable city (Economist 2015) - Derived from: Education, safety, good health centres.

Uni has a list of house shares - no official provision?

Cost Aus\$1550 per month for all things

Student visa - Aus\$550 (must get acceptance from the uni)

Can work 20 hours a week (actually 40 hours every 2 weeks) - average income is \$20 an hour, so maybe 1600 per month.

Must show financial capacity - parents must have \$18K in bank account

Health insurance is compulsory, help is given by the uni

Each degree program has its own visa

After finishing can get a post grad extension course after bachelors, e.g. art, humanities (3 years), engineering (4 years)

Honours program is 1 year extension for good students

Can also do double majors

Total of 5 unis in western australia

Top 2%

In the best 50 universities that are less than 50 years old

10th most internationalised university

50000 students, 17k international

Have campuses in Singapore and Malaysia, Kalgoorlie (mining town)

Oldest art gallery in Western Aus.

Campus is 6km from city centre

Have a 1 year exchange program with other universities

Curtin Business School, courses are professionally recognised, so e.g. after degree already on track to qualify as an accountant

Engineering

Resources - Big on extraction, especially oil

Intends to become 1st uni in Australia that is carbon free

Top 40 best unis globally in the field of education

Can get scholarships from Brazilian government

MOOC - Free online courses

Have 3 courses offered-

1. Business of mining
2. Astronomy
3. Digital branding and engagement

Questions:

1. Can you get a visa after you graduate?

2 year graduate visa after you finish, engineering, IT needs lots, arts commerce, not so much, Need a sponsorship visa from a company.

2. Do they offer medicine?

Medicine school but no international places though. In Australia very tough to get into medicine for international students

Dentistry is open to international students though, but requires pre-dentistry bachelors like oral hygiene (medicine is similar, but not open to international students)

Architecture is 3 years, but need masters really to qualify.

## Scholarships

International merit scholarship, 25% off for first year for a good student,

sometimes for whole course, not always

Business school offers \$9K to implement a business idea whilst there

No need for English diploma

Minimum score is 24, 27 or above you would get scholarships

For busnies will need math

Engineering needs phys, chem math

Art need an art portfolio

Also accept iGCSE grade C

International agreement with over 70 countries, including us, uk (not Brazil) recognise the Australian university qualifications

## Fees

Humanities 30K, 18k living costs

Engineering and health sciences 35K

Bank of Santander has a specific student loan, slightly lower rates

Campus quest - online game to find out about campus life

# Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

21 October 2015 12:02

"Liberal (free) University"

Given by Eric (International office) graduated from 3 programs and Sylvia Communications Dept.

Here for 2 fairs, Rio and Sao Paulo Undergrad.

1 million people in Amsterdam - 16 million total population

2000 international students per year - lots of masters

2 types of universities -

- research unis, and
- applied sciences - prepares for vocational careers

Top 100 global ranking uni,

13 research universities in country -2 in Amsterdam

Campus uni, all in one campus, close to the financial district, 15min by bike to centre

Number of English language undergrad program e.g.

1. International bus admin
2. Computer sciences
3. Liberal arts and sciences program
4. PPE
5. Business analytics
6. 80 bachelors program, mostly in Dutch
7. Most masters programs in English though

25000 students in total 2000 international

Want IB Maths at level 4 standard level as well as diploma needs to be awarded but absolute score not necessarily defined, but possible requirements for more competitive subjects

Exchange students in Uni for one semester

Summer school program:

In July

2 week program, first and second of Uni

Questions:

1. Student to teacher ratio? Lectures could be 150 students per rate.
2. Do you offer student housing? All international students go for Uni provided accommodation.
3. Living cost - 1000 euros per month including accommodation and food
4. Do they offer medicine? In Dutch Need NG2 exam to get admission, but open to international students.

Non eu students 11000 euros, for eu students 2000 (same for Dutch students), can get student loan with eu student (work 55 hours per month to get loan from the government can cover living costs as well).

After you graduate - get one search year to find a job, then when you get a job employer can help you find

Can work 10 hours per week, and full time per week, eu students can work full time (40 hours)

# UCLA

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9 campuses, UCLA is flagship campus  
Public school  
"Optimists"  
Changing the world, pioneers, thinkers  
Research university.  
First usage of civilian internet.

Scholarships are merit based, not needs based  
SAT average 2200 for international students  
GPA 3.97 unweighted  
Average IB 38 and above (last year 40 though)  
If you have 30 above with diploma, additional credits earned, HL classes 5 and above get full credit.

Average SAT 2 students take 2, but some take many more

Retention rate is 97%  
90% graduate in 12 quarters

125 majors  
80+minors  
Can both double, triple or quadruple major

"recommends living in the first year (and two) on campus"  
In Westwood village  
#8 in US News Global rankings  
Public uni top 2  
Forbes entrapanorial uni #10  
Active Greek life - can't recruit in first year though  
92,000 applicants 1 in five accepted

2 of 3 classes has 30 or fewer students  
40K students  
50% of undergrads in research  
\$1 Bn research budget 2014  
140 programs in 42 countries  
1,000 clubs and organisation

Arts portfolio for arts, architecture, music  
Film, TV and theatre need a supplemental, actually want 2 more essays rather than youtube videos or portfolios.

# Trinity College Dublin

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**Scholarships: If you get a first in the second year exams you get free fees for EU student (EU fees for international students), free accommodation, only applies from the 3rd year on.**

Founded in 1592, top 100 (78), 10k undergrads, 5k postgrads, 15% is from outside of Ireland  
Number 1 for producing entrepreneurs

One of the first university in the world to allow international students  
No visa needed for Brazilians  
International students of the university can work 20 hours in term, 40 hours during holidays (1 month Christmas)  
World's friendliest country in 2010  
Only English speaking country in the Eurozone  
Graduate stay-backed work visa for one year after graduating to gain work experience  
Many tech companies, including IT and pharmaceutical companies have offices in Dublin, also start-ups are located geographically around Trinity  
City is by the sea and mountains  
Can walk from one side of the city to the other in 20mins, but also a capital  
Trinity is in the heart of the city centre  
Number 1 in immunology (?)

Research-led curriculum- All professors have to teach.  
Don't do: Veterinary science, architecture and a few types of engineering, like aeronautical engineering  
Do lots of business courses, including marketing  
Undergraduate degree is a 4 year degree, can do a single honours or double honours (specialise in two topics, like French and maths)  
5 year professional degree which results in a Masters degree and offers a 6 month paid internship, but you would decide this in your third year  
Globally connected e.g. US: Georgetown, Brown; Moscow, Peking, HK, PUC-Rio (fees much cheaper at Trinity, therefore one year studying in a partner university in US would be at Trinity fees)  
Do Erasmus program which allows students to study in other European universities  
Also students work with those at Stanford, for instance in design competition every year  
Necessary English: IELTS 6.5 or 90 on Toefl  
Offer a Bachelor of Business (BBS), which is different in structure to the standard bachelors, or BA degree  
Business economics and social sciences (BESS) either end up with a BBS or a BA, but you decide to specialise after the first year, so a very broad range of options  
Joint degrees (especially in the humanities), not the same as the US system, they are focused from the very beginning, so not a liberal arts model where you have to initially study everything at the start and then decide on a major and a minor course of study

Application need to be online, can have three subjects.

Living costs 5K per year food and accommodation 17K euro on average to 21K, no quota for number of international medicine students (need 40points though).

Lots of interdisciplinary activities

Very similar system, it seems, to the UK in terms of tutor and assistance

Has the world's oldest student societies, "The Phil" and "The Hist" which have been going for 300 years.

Offer student accommodation, guaranteed for the first year.

Fresher's week: decide what societies you want to join  
Trinity ball, largest private party in Europe, like a music festival.

Careers: Offer internship placement assistance, expanded summer internship

# Vestibular

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Vestibular private university has their own private (usually 2 per year feb/oct)  
Enem ("NA") public exam for eg medical school November/October

# Scholarships

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- eduPASS Financial Aid  
[www.edupass.org/finaid](http://www.edupass.org/finaid)
- Fastweb Scholarship Search  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- International Scholarships Database  
[www.internationalscholarships.com](http://www.internationalscholarships.com)
- International Education  
Financial Aid (IEFA)  
[www.iefaf.org](http://www.iefaf.org)
- Peterson's Guide to Colleges  
and Universities  
[www.petersons.com](http://www.petersons.com)
- U.S. News & World Report Rankings  
[www.usnews.com/rankings](http://www.usnews.com/rankings)

From <<http://univassist.com/student.aspx>>

# University WEBSITES

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## RANKINGS:

US Official Government	<a href="https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/">https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/</a>
US Economist	<a href="http://www.economist.com/blogs/graphicdetail/2015/10/value-university">http://www.economist.com/blogs/graphicdetail/2015/10/value-university</a>
Global Times (UK)	

For a complete range of links about college rankings from the Economist:  
<http://www.economist.com/blogs/graphicdetail/2015/10/value-university>