

# Higher Education

Parents Information Evening  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017

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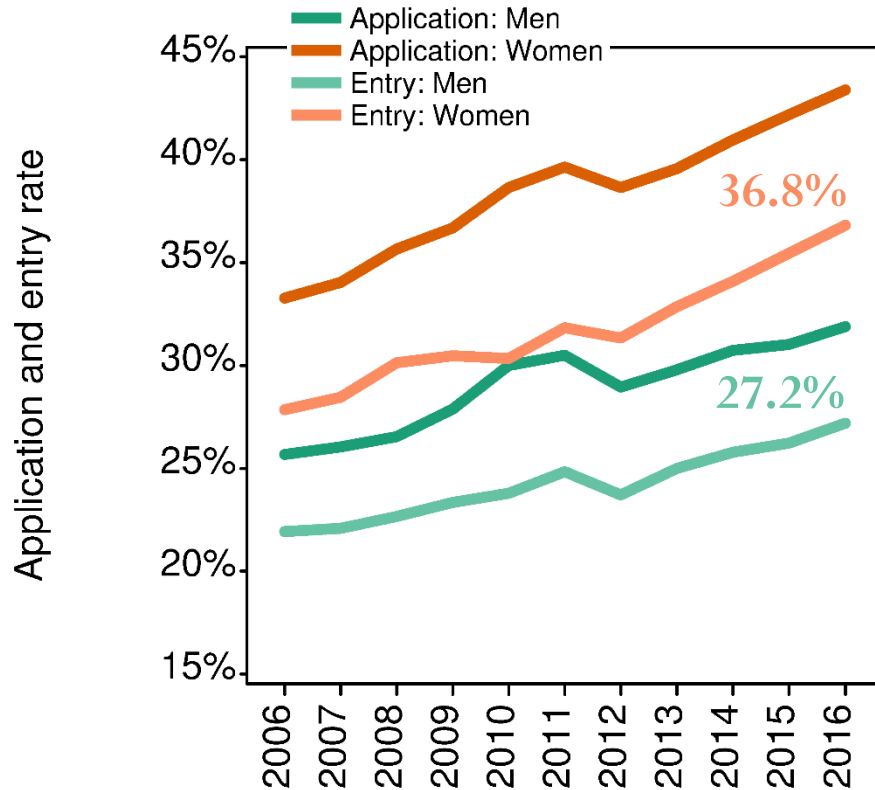
# Welcome

- Introduction to this evening
  - Liz Dudin, The Ladies' College
- Why go to University?
  - Dan Flanagan, Lancaster University
- Funding your son/daughter's Higher Education
  - Joel Conner, Elizabeth College
- Further Information & Summary
  - Liz Dudin, The Ladies' College

# Purpose of this evening

- Give all parents and students the information to make an informed choice
- Not here to convince you that university is the best choice for everyone
- Would like you to have an open mind
- Give more specific information about tomorrow's Higher Education Convention

## Application and entry rates for UK 18 year olds by sex



At age 18, **women** are now a **third more likely to enter higher education than men.**

**37k more men** would need to be accepted to equalise this gap in entry rates.

# Higher Education

Consider:

- Apprenticeships
- University

# New apprenticeships I&A

## Apprenticeships in the UK

Apprenticeships are a good way to gain the skills and experience needed to get into many careers. They combine work, training, and study, letting you 'earn while you learn'.

Relevant to **Undergraduate** **16-18 Choices**

- There is a wide range of apprenticeships for over 1,500 job roles – giving you the opportunity to enter careers in anything from engineering and boat building, to veterinary nursing and accountancy.
- You'll need to be over 16 years old, and show you have the ability to complete the programme.
- An apprenticeship usually takes one to three years to complete, and is usually made up of three parts – all completed on the job, online, or in a classroom.

Depending on your skills and qualifications, there are four different levels available:

- **intermediate** (Level 2) – generally considered to be the same level as five GCSE passes/standard grades/National 4s and 5s
- **advanced** (Level 3) – generally considered to be the same level as two A levels/Highers
- **higher/technical** (Levels 4 to 7) – can lead to NVQ Level 4 and above, or a foundation degree
- **degree/professional** (Levels 5 to 7) – these are new and enable apprentices to achieve a full bachelor's or master's degree as part of their apprenticeship

## What's available?

Do your research!

- Check out the range and number of vacancies being advertised in the area(s) you're interested in. Check on a regular basis so you can get an idea of the availability of opportunities relevant to your interests.
- What is the timeframe from the vacancy being advertised to the application deadline and apprenticeship start date? This will give you an idea of how you need to prepare, and how quickly you will need to apply.

### You may also like to read

- [Degree and professional apprenticeships](#)
- [Higher and technical apprenticeships](#)
- [Apprenticeships in England](#)
- [Apprenticeships in Wales](#)
- [Apprenticeships in Scotland](#)
- [Apprenticeships in Northern Ireland](#)
- [How to find and apply for apprenticeships](#)
- [Application, recruitment, and selection](#)

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<sup>1</sup>NSS 2016 **marjon.ac.uk**

## Starting your career.

- Degree apprenticeships are a fast track into the world of work.
- Degree Apprenticeships offer a real alternative to university
- 499,900 apprentices started in 2014/15
- 114% increase in HA in 2014/15
- 83% of employers believe that schools leaver recruitment will be greater than graduate recruitment by 2020



# Why apply to University?

Dan Flanagan, Lancaster University



# Funding for University

Joel Conner, Elizabeth College

# Costs of Higher Education

## Maintenance Expenses and Tuition Fees

### Tuition Fees

All subjects apart from

Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary

and other healthcare courses

£ 9,250

BUT maximum anyone pays is

£ 9150

# Costs of Higher Education

Maintenance Expenses and Tuition Fees

**NO STUDENT LOANS!**

# Costs of Higher Education

## Maintenance Expenses and Tuition Fees

### Maintenance Expenses (2015/2016)

#### Living Costs

In London                                £7,923    (for 31 weeks =  
    £255.58 per week)

Elsewhere                                £6,508    (for 31 weeks =  
    £209.94 per week)

#### Travel (Guernsey - UK), 3 return trips

South of England                        £462

Rest of UK                                £576

# The Future

- Guernsey, Jersey and IOM have negotiated 'home' fees (approminately £9250) with most universities. Exceptions are Cambridge, and Imperial College.
- From September 2013 Cambridge College fees, currently about £6500, will be assessed for parental contribution.
- The States debated student grants/loans again in March 2014 and agreed this structure for at least the next couple of years

# Costs of Higher Education

## How it works

The parental contribution is assessed against the **GROSS** parental income – the students' income from holiday jobs or work whilst at university, or from any bursaries is **NOT** taken into account (unless the latter is more than £3,950)

£39,224 is subtracted from the gross total; the balance is called the 'residual'.

This 'residual' is then divided by 4

This is then the parental contribution

# Costs of Higher Education

## How it works

Total gross parental income:	£80,000.00
	<u>£39,224.00</u> -
Residual:	£40,776.00 / 4 =
Parental contribution:	£10,194.00

This is initially assessed against the maintenance & travel total of £7,084, leaving a balance of:

£3,110.00

which would go towards tuition fees, leaving Education to pay  
£9,250 - £3,110.00 = £6140

# Costs of Higher Education

## How it works

Total gross parental income:	£40,000.00
	<u>£39,224.00</u> -
Residual:	£ 776.00 / 4 =
Parental contribution:	£ 194.00

This is initially assessed against the maintenance & travel total of £7,084 leaving a balance of:

£6,890

to be paid by Education and

Education to pay £9,250 tuition fees, making a total grant of:

£16140



# Costs of Higher Education

## How it works

The maximum parental contribution towards **fees** is £8,900 (ie everyone gets £100!)

Thus:

Fees contribution:	£ 9150
Maintenance & Travel:	<u>£ 7,084</u>
Maximum Parental contribution:	£ 16234
No grant if parental income is over:	<u>4x</u>
	£ 64936
	<u>£ 39,224</u>
	£104,160

# Costs of Higher Education

## How it works

There is also a further assessed contribution where the parents hold capital assets in excess of £100,000; this is assessed at 2.1%

There are further allowances if more than one child at university and for additional dependent children (about £4,000 per child, dependent on age), single parents etc.

If in doubt – telephone Education and speak to them – they are actually very helpful!

# Further Information & Summary

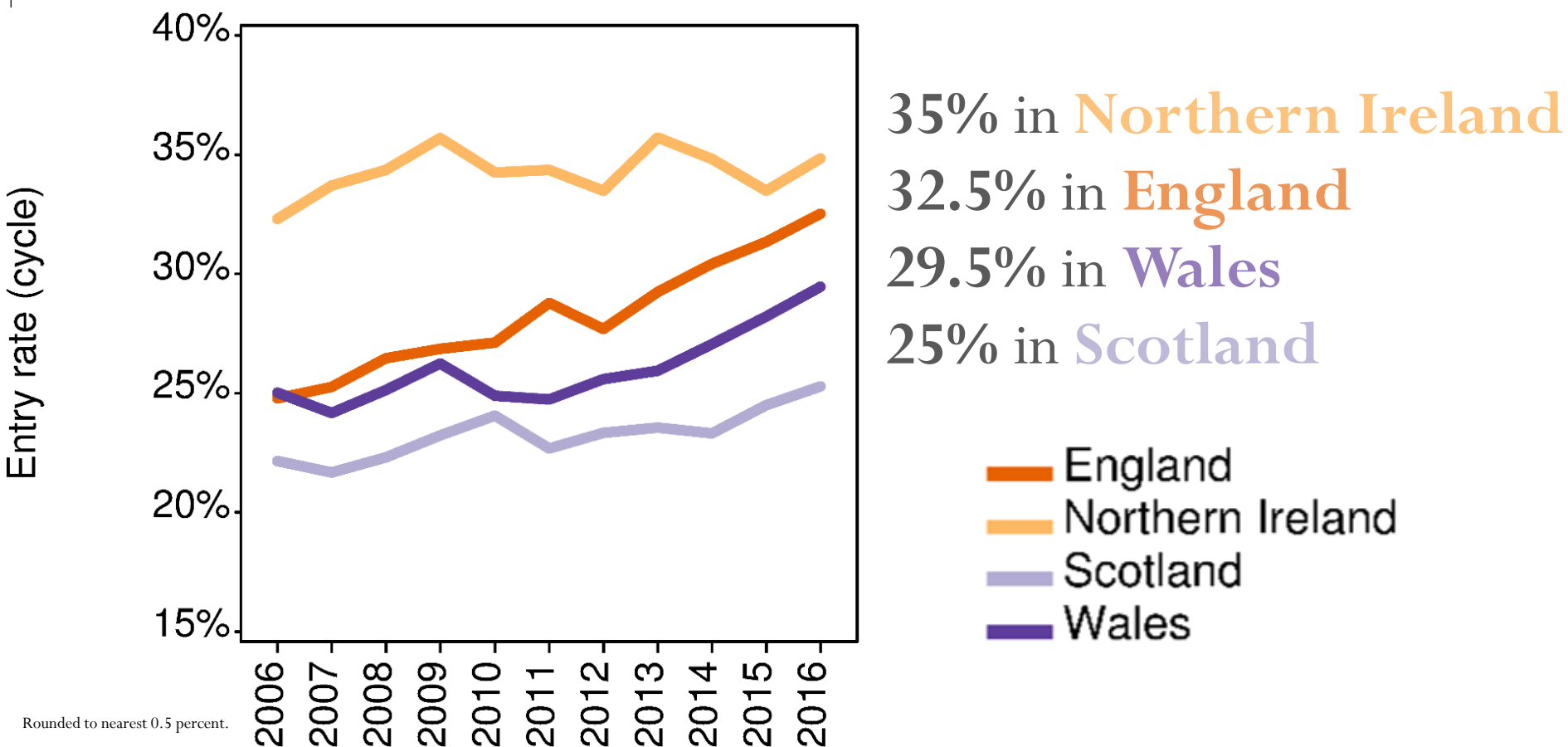
Liz Dudin, The Ladies' College

## Applicants, accepts and acceptance rates for UK 19 year olds & younger: 2013 – 2016

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Applicants	369k	377k	390k	<b>392k</b>
Accepts	309k	315k	329k	<b>333k</b>
Acceptance rate	84%	84%	84%	<b>85%</b>

## Entry rates for UK 18 year olds by country of domicile

Increases in 18 year old entry rates of UK countries



Source: Figure 12 from 'UCAS End of Cycle Report 2016', [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

<https://www.ucas.com/connect/videos/ucas?v=/parents-guide-ucas>

# UCAS Parent Guide

Remember you can apply to 5 Universities.

Unless you are applying for Medicine or Veterinary courses and then you are only allowed to apply for 4

You can apply to the same University more than once.

Once offers are received you will have to choose a Firm (1<sup>st</sup> choice) and Insurance (2<sup>nd</sup> choice) place.

Unconditional offers – saw a splurge but now on the decline.

# UCAS Tariff points

## A level

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Tariff points</b>
<b>A*</b>	56
<b>A</b>	48
<b>B</b>	40
<b>C</b>	32
<b>D</b>	24
<b>E</b>	16

<b>EPQ</b>	<b>Tariff points</b>
<b>A*</b>	28
<b>A</b>	24
<b>B</b>	20
<b>C</b>	16
<b>D</b>	12
<b>E</b>	8

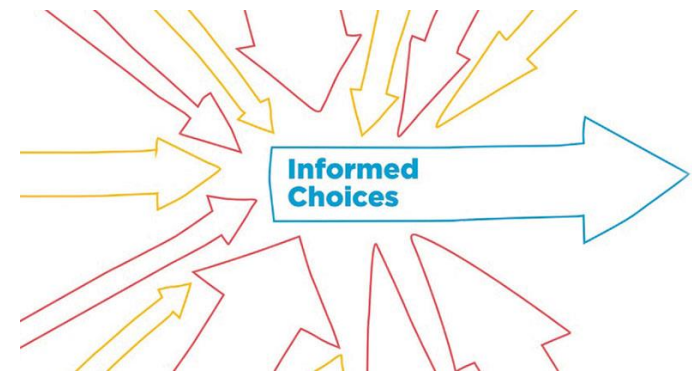
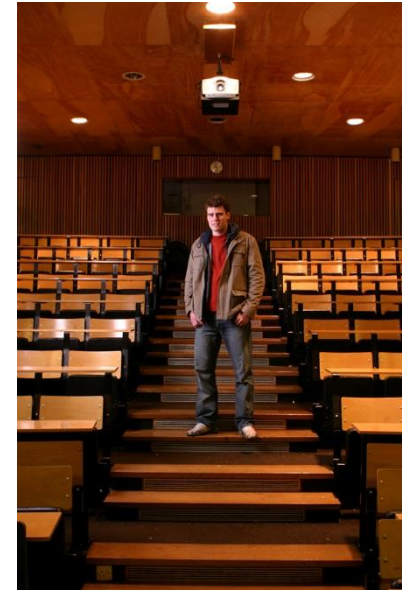
## AS

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Tariff points</b>
<b>A</b>	20
<b>B</b>	16
<b>C</b>	12
<b>D</b>	10
<b>E</b>	6



## Russell Group Universities and the UCAS Tariff

- The UCAS Tariff is a way of measuring the relative value of all post-16 qualifications in the UK
- Russell Group institutions do not express entry criteria or offers as UCAS Tariff points, however other institutions may do so
- Russell Group universities do use the tariff in ways other than entry criteria/offers:
  - Management information
  - League tables
  - Comparing qualifications



Informed Choices – booklet – on Ladies' College Sharepoint

- Elizabeth College UCAS handbook - Firefly

<http://russellgroup.ac.uk/for-students/school-and-college-in-the-uk/subject-choices-at-school-and-college/>

## 2017-2018 Cycle

- Be aware that Universities in **England** are being categorised for the first time ever as Gold, Silver or Bronze
- The new ratings form part of the government's teaching excellence framework (Tef) and will come into force from the middle of next year, with universities given a year's grace period before the rankings dictate their ability to raise tuition fees.
- Be aware bronze will go to universities where "provision is of satisfactory quality ... however, the provider is likely to be significantly below benchmark in one or more areas."

# Applying to HE 2017 Entry

- **23 May 2017**                      **UCAS apply goes online**
- **12 June 2017**                      **Elizabeth College UCAS day**
- **30 June 2017**                      **Winchester & Southampton Uni visit.**
- **3 July 2017**                         **The Ladies' College UCAS day**
- **Summer 2017**                      **Your encouraged to attend open days**
- **1 Sept 2017**                         **UCAS begins accepting applications**
- **15 Oct 2017**                         **Closing date for Oxbridge, Medics & Vets**
- **Nov 2017**                             **Internal LC & EC deadlines**
- **15 Jan 18**                            **UCAS Applications official deadline**
- **25 Feb 2018**                         **UCAS extra begins for eligible students**
- **2 May 2018**                         **Deadline deciding on Firm & Insurance**
- **16 August 2018**                      **Exam Results! Places confirmed/clearing**
- **End Sept 2018**                      **Higher Education term begins**

# HE Convention tomorrow

- Subject talks start from 1.00pm. Make sure you know where you should be when! Please make sure you sign in on arrival.
- The convention is open from **11.30am to 3.30pm** at The Grammar and Sixth Form College
- Parents are welcome to attend the convention but they are not able to attend the individual subject talks.

# HE Convention tomorrow

Information from individual universities

- Who are their current students?
- Accommodation, bursaries and living costs?
- Applying, interviews and offers?
- Specific course related questions?
- Get a feel for things

Information about specific subjects

- From the subject talks you have signed up for

# HE Convention tomorrow

The many alternatives:

- Guernsey Careers Service and Advice Stand
- Guernsey College of Further Education
- Teaching, the Education Dept
- BPP
- GTA
- Year Out
- Studying in New Zealand or Australia
- Projects Abroad
- Alternatives to Higher Education
- Grants Department
- Anglo European College of Chiropractic

# The future

- Both Colleges will be holding a UCAS day(s) where students will be given further information about Personal Statements.
- Both Colleges have a work experience week during w/b 19<sup>th</sup> June
- We recommend you save your research
- Get in school advice from your Careers Staff, Heads of Year, tutors, subject teachers
- Get reading about and around your subject
- Books: Times University Guide, HEAP, Guardian...
- Research when Open Days are
- Ask former students
- **Good luck – remember this is your future & you need to spend time doing the research!**

- **Time for questions...**