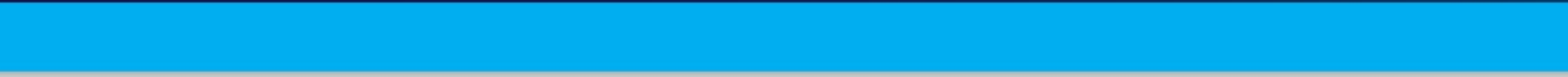




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Post 18 Options Evening



Higher Education and the UCAS process



Degree and Higher Apprenticeships and Employment



Gap Years





Why University?



Considerations

- %You will commit a long time to your studies
- %Employability skills alongside academic study
- %Contact time
- %Life changes
- %You may earn less than an apprentice initially
- %You will have an intense workload
- %It requires high levels of self-discipline
- %You won't be guaranteed a job





Russell Group

- The Russell Group is made up of 24 world-class universities
- The group receives the majority of the research funding in the UK.
- These institutions share a strong reputation for teaching and learning and attract staff and students from around the world.
- Popular with graduate recruiters and highly rated by many major UK firms.

The Russell Group



Early Applicant Group

Oxbridge, Medics, Vets, Dentists, Optometrists
Entrance exams.

[University Clinical Aptitude Test \(UCAT\)](#)

[The Law National Aptitude Test \(LNAT\)](#)

[Cambridge TSA \(Thinking Skills Assessment\)](#)

[Oxford TSA \(Thinking Skills Assessment\)](#)

[Maths STEP \(Sixth Term Examination Paper\)](#)

Interviews / Portfolios

The personal statement

The school's reference

Dr Clements' support now.



Choosing the Right University for you

- **Style**— traditional and subject based, modern universities, more vocational
- **Location**— cities or rural
- **Size**— more than 20,000 to 2,000.
- **Culture and facilities** influenced by a range of factors ~~engage~~, nationality, interests including the diversity of students who attend.
- **What graduates do** destinations after university
- **Course content**
- **Tuition fees**— can vary. Check for scholarships or bursaries.
- **Living costs**— accommodation, transport, and food can vary enormously.



Support throughout

- Early Applicant Group
- Blue Acorns: workshops for students
- Mock interview(s)
- Conference opportunities
- Personal Statement Support
- Tutor Monitoring
- Permission to attend Open Days
- Art/Creative portfolio support





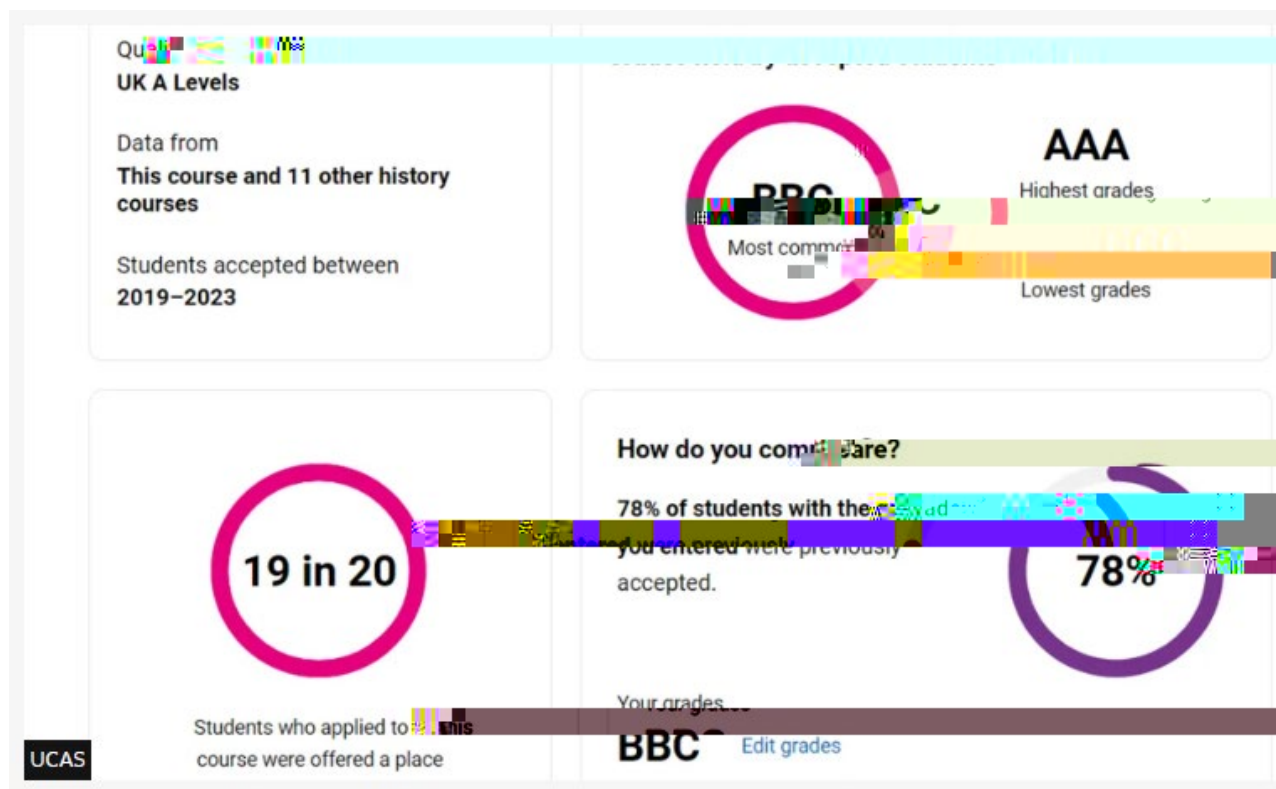
university websites

- www.ucas.com
- www.unifrog.org (parent code [REDACTED])
- unistats.direct.gov.uk
- www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk
- www.opendays.com



UCAS TOOLS

- <https://www.ucas.com/discover/advice-parents-guardians-and-carers>
- <https://www.ucas.com/discover>



Discover options

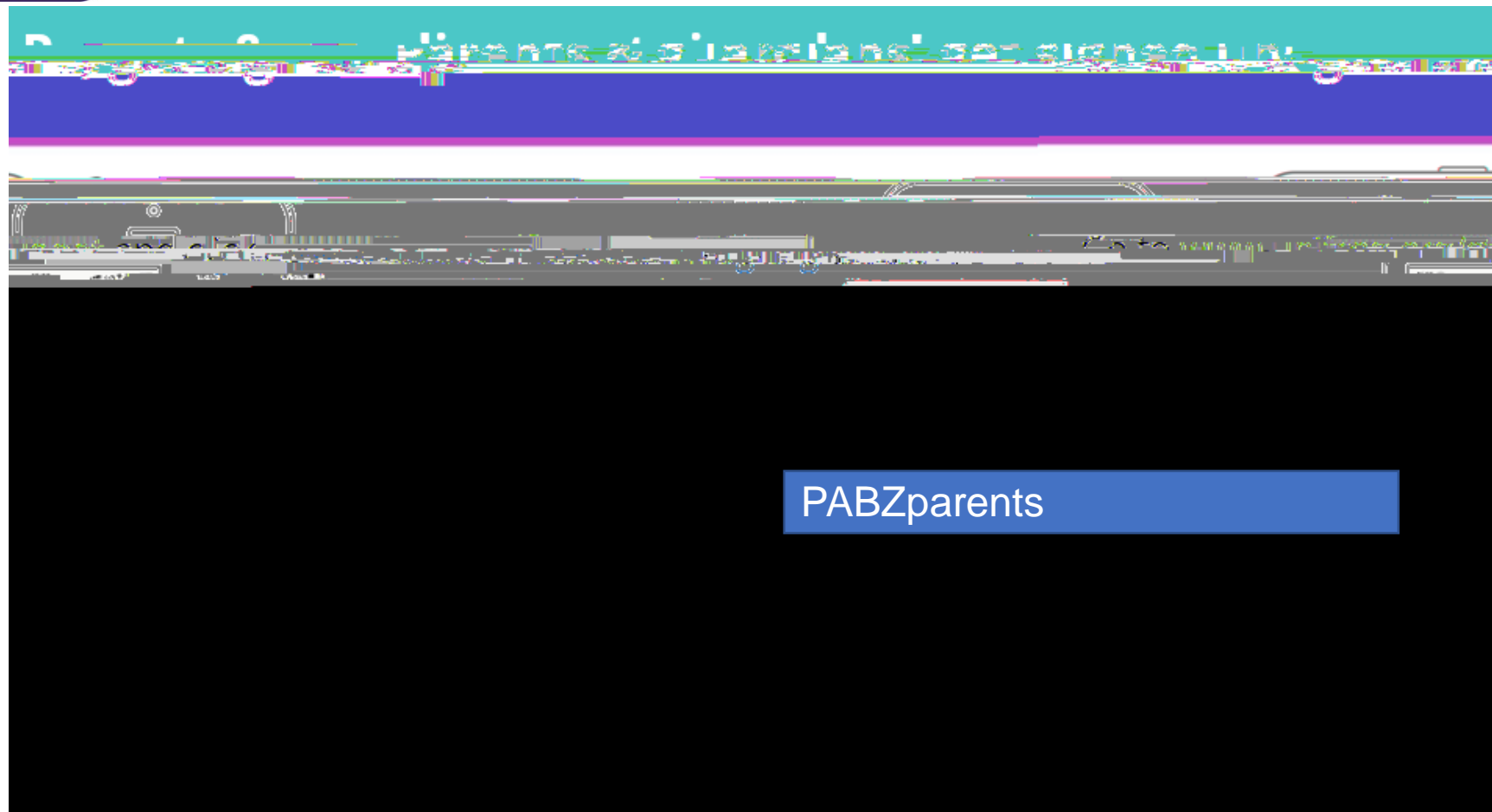
Register with the UCAS Hub to:

- explore careers, subjects, places, and apprenticeships in one place
- find and favourite over 35,000 courses
- search for open days, events and virtual tours
- turn predicted grades into UCAS Tariff points
- speak to those in the know using [Unibuddy](#)
- try before you apply with [Subject Spotlights](#) from Springpod.
- take the [UCAS Quiz](#) to find career matches
- start your application





UNIFROG



- www.unifrog.org/code

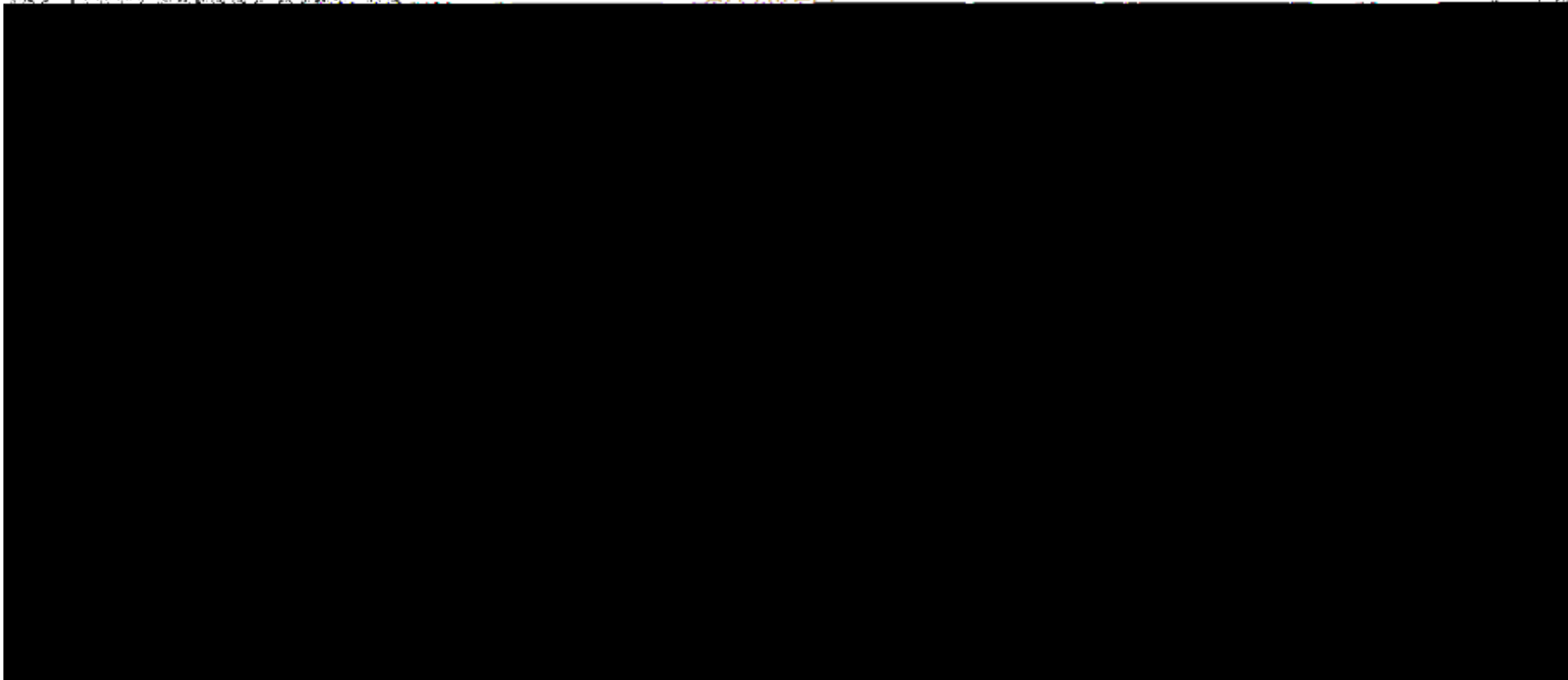


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- Students enter predicted grades and subject of interest.(predicted grades are typically based on Year 12 mock performance)
- Aspirational, solid and safe
- Filter by location, students satisfaction, hours of lectures, price of accommodation etc
- Direct links to university pages and open days
- Save, t, s e

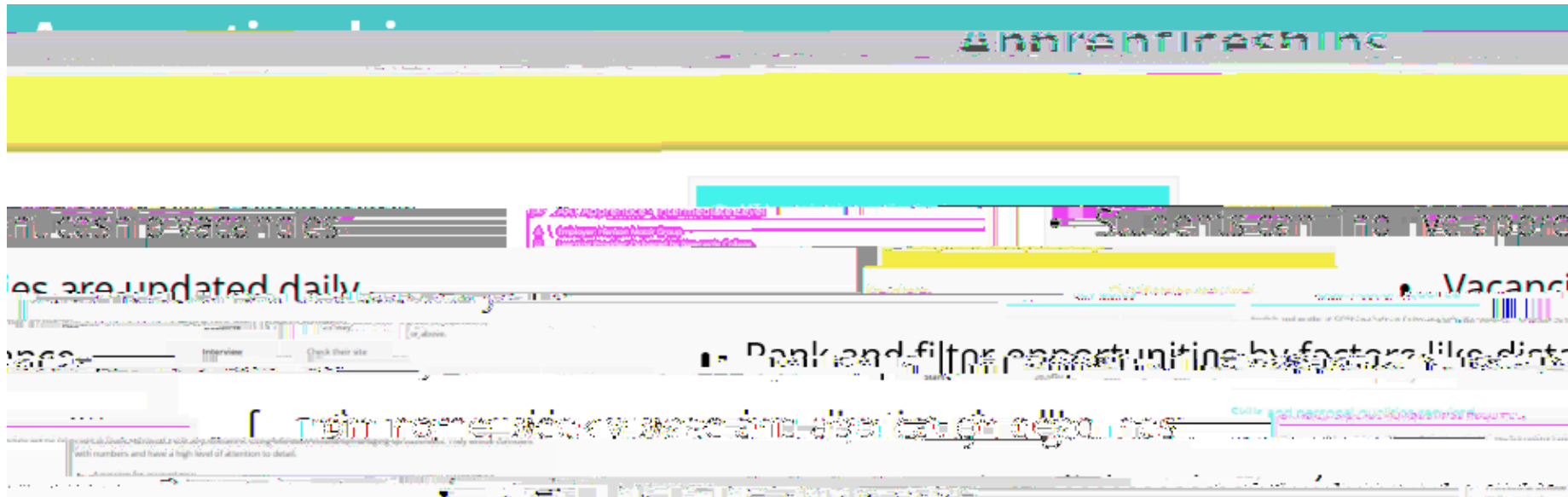


What if I'm not sure what career I would like?





What if I'm interested in apprenticeships?





Gap Year-transferable skills

- Extremely useful if used in the right way. Make it count!
- An opportunity to gain transferable skills ie. /LBody AMCID 22
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Useful websites

- www.goabroad.com - Help with planning.
- www.internationalteflacademy.com - Dedicated to teaching English as a foreign language.
- www.projects-abroad.org - International volunteering projects.
- https://www.volunteerforever.com/article_post/best-volunteer-abroad-programs-organizations-projects/



Year 12 Important Dates

