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# Understanding the University Application Cycle

*Session 3: What Happens Next?*

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## Key Dates

It is important to have a sense of the application cycle timeline so that you are able to adequately prepare for what is coming next for your students. Below are the key dates for 2017 applicants:

**15 January 2017** – UCAS deadline for most applicants.

**25 February 2017** – UCAS Extra begins – if applicants haven't used all five choices and they are not holding any offers they might be able to add another choice. The last date to apply in Extra is 4 July.

**4 May 2017** – If applicants receive all their university/college decisions by 31 March, applicants must reply to any offers by 4 May or they'll be declined.

**5 May 2017** – If applicants applied by 15 January and they are still waiting, universities/colleges will decide whether they're making an offer by 5 May.

**30 June 2017** – Applications received after 30 June are entered into Clearing.

**5 July 2017** – UCAS Clearing opens.

**5 July 2017** – International Baccalaureate results published.

**17 August 2017** – A-Level results day.

**20 September 2017** – Final deadline for 2017 entry applications.

Source: <https://www.ucas.com/advisers/getting-started/application-deadlines>