

Task 3 Understanding UCAS Points and starting course research

The UCAS Tariff: how do I work out my UCAS points?

The UCAS Tariff is a points system used to report achievement for entry to higher education in a numerical format. It shows how different types of qualifications compare and provides comparisons between applicants with different types and volumes of achievement.

Different qualifications will be awarded different Tariff points, depending on the grade/level achieved. If a university makes a points based offer, then the points attached to your qualifications must meet or exceed the total set by the university in their offer, for you to secure the place. Please note, universities may specify qualifications they will consider for Tariff points within your individual conditions, or combine Tariff offers with grade based requirements, so check them carefully. All elements of the conditions must be obtained before a place is confirmed.

To see what Tariff points your qualification/grades will earn you, look at the Tariff tables below.

Study the tables closely because you will soon be tested on the information they contain.

UCAS Point Calculator: A-levels

AS-level Grades	UCAS Tariff Points	A-level Grades	UCAS Tariff Points
		A*	140
a	60	A	120
b	50	B	100
c	40	C	80
d	30	D	60
e	20	E	40

UCAS Point Calculator: BTEC

Extended Diploma		Diploma		Subsidiary Diploma	
D* D* D*	420				
D* D*D	400				
D*DD	380				
DDD	360				
DDM	320	D*D*	280		
DMM	280	D*D	260		
MMM	240	DD	240		
MMP	200	DM	200		
MPP	160	MM	160	D*	140
PPP	120	MP	120	D	120
		PP	80	M	80
				P	40

D = Distinction M= Merit P=Pass