

APPLICATION TIPS, UK UNIVERSITIES

Note: **GCSE** in the UK education system is approximately equivalent to our 5th year end of year exams.
A level is approximately equivalent to our 4-hour Bac subjects (or 5-hour Maths).

- **Please** use the application instructions you were given. Don't guess. If something isn't clear, ask your referee or email annette.weaver@education.lu
- **Make sure** you have checked the **entry profile** for the courses you are interested in on the UCAS website. There is no point in applying for courses that ask for subjects at A level that you aren't taking in the Bac.
- So **check** that you have the correct subjects for the courses you are applying to:

Maths: If a course asks for **A level Maths** this means you need the **5 hour course**.

Sciences: be careful to check the level required – 2 hour Biology isn't enough for a course that asks for A level Biology.

- **TESTS:** If you are an applicant for **Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, Law**, or for many courses at **Oxford** you will need to register for some kind of **test**. **The deadline for registration for most of these is September 30th**.
English: If they ask for a **language test** and you are L2 English you may not need to take one, but you usually will if you're L3. If necessary you can register for the IELTS test at the Institut National des Langues in Luxembourg. You can do this anyway, or wait to hear whether the universities want you to take it.
- Keep to the **deadlines:** you should have finished your part of the form by **December 1st** unless you are an early applicant, when it's **October 1st**.

If your referee does not have sufficient time to add your reference before the Christmas holidays, your form will not be sent to UCAS until January.