

Adding LIFT OFF to UCAS and Widening Access information, 2024 entry

Including LIFT OFF in your UCAS Application - options

- 1. Include information about taking part in LIFT OFF activities in your Personal Statement, for example LOLS (LIFT OFF Learning Skills), setting goals during your Individual Action Plan meeting (IAP) or the Personal Statement Workshop.
- 2. Include details about specific activities through the **'Extra Activities** section. Note: you need to have the dates of the activity for this and can only add two.
- 3. If you completed LOLS successfully, you can also add this as a qualification in the **'Education'** section.

Adding 'Extra Activities'

Within the Experience category, there is a tile called 'Extra Activities'. Note: this is only visible once you have added some details to the Education section, such as Qualifications and also completed the previous section 'Profile'.

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Education > Your qualifications and periods of study	Employment > Employment, paid or unpaid, or volunteer work	Extra activities > Activities you have attended in preparation for higher education
Section in progress	Section complete	O Start this section

Click on the Extra Activities tile. On this next page there is more information about what UCAS considers an extra activity i.e. activities that prepare you for higher education. Click 'add activity' to add details—if you are adding two activities you will need to do this for each one.

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ave you attended an activity to prepare you for higher education?
ease select any activity you have taken part in to prepare for higher education. For example: national or regional chemes, university-run programmes, summer schools, campus days, taster courses, and booster courses. You an also use your personal statement to include more details about the activities you took part in, the skills you arned, and how this prepared you for higher education.
ote: Open days are not relevant to this question.
you haven't attended any such activity, please leave this sections blank.
this section is relevant to you, please provide the following details:
+ Add activity

Adding your IAP:

Type of Activity: Select 'Information Advice and Guidance' from the drop-down menu

Activity Provider: Select 'LIFT OFF' from the drop-down menu

Name of Activity: Individual Action Plan meeting (you can add more description here, such as any goals you set or what you discussed).

Start Date: If you can't remember when your IAP was, ask us for the specific date (typically Jan-March 2023)

End Date: Same as Start Date

Adding LOLS:

Type of Activity: Select 'Skills and attainment raising activity' from the drop-down menu Activity Provider: Select 'LIFT OFF' from the drop-down menu Name of Activity: LIFT OFF Learning Skills (LOLS) Start Date: 09/10/2023 End Date: 13/10/2023

If you joined LIFT OFF in S6, you can use the Personal Statement Workshop as an activity:

Type of Activity: Select 'Information Advice and Guidance' from the drop-down menu Activity Provider: Select 'LIFT OFF' from the drop-down menu Name of Activity: Personal Statement Workshop Start Date: If you can't remember the date, please ask us (typically Oct-Nov 2023) End Date: Same as start date

Example windows:

Skills and attainment faising activity	~	
ctivity provider *		
LIFT OFF	~	
Name of the activity/programme *		
LIFT OFF Learning Skills (LOLS)		
LIFT OFF Learning Skills (LOLS)		

Day	Month	Year		
09 ~	10 ~	2023	~	
End date	*			
E nd date Day	* Month	Year		

Currently, UCAS will only allow you to add in two activities to this section. If you have taken part in other 'Preparation for Higher Education' activities such as a Sutton Trust or First Chances Fife Summer School, or Reach or ACES events, you should think about which activities really show your interest in Higher Education. Please note that Reach and ACES do not appear as 'activity providers' in the drop down menu at the moment, so you will have to include the names in the description instead.



Adding LOLS to the 'Education' section:

Click 'Add qualification' then scroll down to find the search bar.

Personal details	
Contact and residency	Add qualification
uctans	To add a qualification either choose from the qualification shortlist or search for your qualification.
Nationality details	
Supporting	Qualifications shortlist
information	
English language skills	(2014 onwards) + BTEC Diploma (QCF)
Finance and funding	+ GCE Advanced Level (A- + GCE Advanced Subsidiary + GCSE (Grade: 9-1)
Education	
Employment	(+ GCSE (Grade: A*-G) (+ National 5 (+ SQA Advanced Highers

Adding LOLS to the 'Education' section:

Type 'other' into the search bar. Then select 'Other courses (Scottish) from the list.

Search for your qualifications

Please search for the qualification title, eg 'A level' and not the subject, eg 'chemistry'.

Overseas qualifications will be listed alphabetically under the name of the country they were taken in.

Search 'other' to see the full qualifications list.

Search by name

Other

Access (other) BMAT (Bio-medical Admissions Test) and other admissions tests CACHE Other Level 3 gualifications City & Guilds (other than NVQs) GAMSAT (Graduate Medical Schools Admissions) and other admissions tests HPAT (Health Professions Admission Test) and other admissions tests LNAT (National Law Admission Test) and other admissions tests MAT (Mathematics Admissions Test) and other admission tests MML (Modern and Medieval Languages Test) and other admissions tests MSAT (Medical Selection Admissions Test) and other admissions tests Other (International EU Qualifications) Other (International Non-EU Qualifications) Other (UK Qualifications) Other Courses (Scottish) Other English Proficiency Other Group Awards (Scottish) PAT (Physics Admissions Test) and other admission tests STEP (Sixth Term Examination Papers) and other admissions tests TSA (Thinking Skills Assessment) and other admissions tests UCAT (Clinical Aptitude Test) and other admissions tests UKCAT (Clinical Aptitude Test) and other admissions tests

Adding LOLS to the 'Education' section:

Qualification date: 10/2021

Awarding organisation: Fife Co (Note: this box appears to be stuck at 8 characters in a UCAS error, so you won't be able to type in Fife College fully).

Grade: SCQF L6 3 credits

Unit/module number and title: LIFT OFF Learning Skills

Qualification Date: 10/21

Result: Pass

Other Courses (Sco	ottish)
If you don't find a match yo	u can manually add one
Qualification date *	
Month Year	
10 ~ 2021 ~	
Awarding organisation *	
Fife Co	
Grade	
SCQF L6 3 credits	
	Add the modules for this qualification
	Module / Unit 1
	Unit/module number and title
	LIFT OFF Learning Skills
	Qualification date
	Month Year
	10 ~ 2021 ~
	Result
	Pass

Including Widening Access information:

UCAS has a range of optional questions through which you can share more information about your personal circumstances with your chosen universities. These are all positive disclosures that will ensure you are offered tailored support. Providing this information will **not** negatively affect your application.

Once you have completed the Contact and Residency details section, the 'More about you' tile will appear in your Profile. Click on this to bring up a window with more information and the questions.

The first question brings up a menu with physical and/or mental health conditions, long-term illnesses and learning differences that you can disclose. The application then asks:

- If you are estranged
- If you have caring responsibilities
- If you are a parent
- If you are a refugee or asylum seeker
- If you have a parent or carer who is/was in the UK Armed Forces
- If you have been in the UK Armed Forces
- If you are or have been receiving free school meals

Note: If you are care experienced, this information can be provided in the 'Diversity and Inclusion' section, which will also appear after the Contact and Residency section is complete.

Personal details	Here, you can tell us about any circumstances that you might need support for during your studies. You might feel uncertain about sharing your personal circumstances but we want to reassure you that this information is
Contact and	confidential and will not negatively impact your application.
residency details	This information will be shared with those involved in making arrangements to support you at the university or college (e.g. the student support team, admissions staff), and they may get in touch to tell you more.
Nationality details	Note: Not all universities and colleges offer the same support, so contact them directly to discuss your
Supporting	requirements and questions before you apply.
information	These questions are optional. Use the ? icon to get more help with answering the question and visit the FAQs pages if you need more information.
English language	
skills	
	Every year, over 60,000 students with a physical and/or mental health condition, long-term illness, or learning
Finance and funding	difference apply through UCAS to study at a university or college in the UK, and access a range of support
Diversity and	living with any of the following: *
inclusion	
More about you	
Education	would you consider yourself estranged from your parents (i.e. you're not in contact with and supported by yo parents)?
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