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UCAS Discovery events – Why connecting in person is still critical



Young people crave the chance to communicate face-to-face.

While young audiences are often defined by their use of technology – they still crave the physical opportunity to talk through their choices in person - discovering new paths, new brands and new possibilities.

Attending a UCAS event is the first step on the journey towards a place at university or an early career – a moment when young people are at their most receptive, and most open to possibilities. And over the course of the ensuing 18 months UCAS is a constant in the decision making process.





UCAS events offer an unparalleled opportunity to engage young people.

UCAS events cover 40 cities over 9 months every year, attended by 150k young people from over half of all schools in the UK.

The experience is split across multiple zones (including Universities & Colleges, Employer & Apprenticeships, Student life and Wellbeing), giving brands multiple opportunities to showcase their organisations, demonstrate products or offer meaningful advice.

150k

attendees, 22k monthly visits to events pages on UCAS.com 98%

of young people in the UK can reach a UCAS event within 60 minutes Attendees spend an average of 90 minutes at an event, visiting an average of 8 exhibits





We also offer partners the opportunity to reach audiences pre- and post-event via the UCAS ecosystem – leveraging our channels and targeting via our expansive proprietary dataset.

Brands that exhibit at our events benefit from the halo of trust that UCAS commands – which leads to better engagement, more influence, and more leads.











Who Attends?

Audience Types

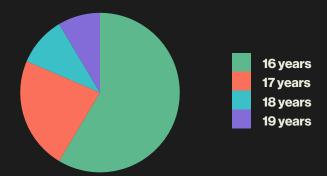
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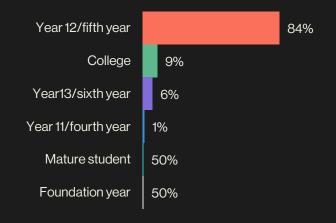
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Parent

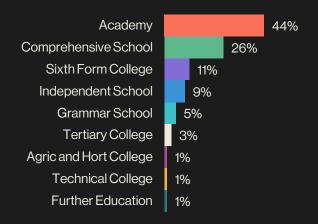
Ages



Study Years



School Types



Student Interests

36% STEM Subjects

41%
Apprenticeships



How We Can Help



Event Stand

Leverage our trust to present your brand through your own branded stand within the event. Our in-house team of event specialists can guide you to create maximum impact in event.



Data Scanning

Scan each visitor's ticket barcode using our app and build your database and continue conversations after the event.



Sponsorship

Our partners have the opportunity to sponsor an event series, individual events or an individual zone - which includes a stand, sponsored live talks, workshops or demonstrations.



Enhanced Profile

Enhanced content on event guides and communication provides increased visibility for your brand and stand location when students are planning their visit.



Attendee Campaigns

Amplify the impact of your event presence using our multichannel campaigns across the UCAS ecosystem – or simply leverage our direct channels for pre- & post event emails.



Event Targeting

Ensure you're at the right events by using the UCAS event data targeting tool to identify the events that have the highest proportion of your target audience.

