

UCAS POINTS TARIFFS

Some universities make offers based on achieving a certain number of UCAS points rather than a set of grades. A vast range of qualifications are listed in the UCAS Tariff Tables and can be very confusing so the key ones taken at TBSHS are summarised in the table below. More information can be found at:

[UCAS Tariff Points - what are they and how do they work?](#)

Some key points to remember:

- Universities normally give a points offer based **only on what is achieved in your A2s or BTEC** and **do not count any other points** (e.g. from AS, Music, Drama qualifications) towards the total
- Universities that give a UCAS points offer may also specify a particular grade or number of points that you need in a subject
- There are also UCAS points associated with speech, drama and music awards (practical and theory) at grades 6, 7 and 8. You only need list the highest grade that you have passed. Often these points will not be able to be counted towards the total points specified by the university unless they are particularly relevant to your degree. Double check with the universities in which you are interested
- Always check the small print of entrance requirements or make sure you clarify any questions at an Open Day or by contacting the admissions department

Calculating UCAS Points

There is a Tariff Calculator on UCAS - [The UCAS Tariff calculator | UCAS](#) but it can be simply done as follows:

Look up the point values of your predicted A2 grade for the subjects that you are taking to A2 and/or your final BTEC predicted level. For example: a student is predicted History A, English B, Politics C for their A2s.

From the A2 Level column Points = 48 + 40 + 32 = 120 Therefore, **Total Predicted UCAS Points = 120**

NB:

- You only count the highest level of qualification in a subject.
- The Extended Project is scored at 50% of an A2 but AS levels are now deemed to be worth only 40% of an A2 rather than 50% under the old system
- The EPQ is not generally able to be counted as part of a points offer or as one of the 3 grades required but can lead to a reduced grade offer in your main subjects if you get an A in the EPQ

GCE A Level (A2)	UCAS Tariff Points	BTEC (Nationals) Diploma	UCAS Tariff Points
A*	56	D*D*	112
A	48	D*D	104
B	40	DD	96
C	32	DM	80
D	24	MM	64
E	16	MP	48
Extended Project		PP	32
A*	28		
A	24		
B	20		
C	16		
D	12		
E	8		