

New to UCL 2020 survey questions

Demographic questions (hidden from respondent)

What is your level of study?

- Undergraduate (e.g. BA, BSc)
- Postgraduate Taught (e.g. Master's, PGCE, PGDip)
- Postgraduate Research (e.g. MRes, PhD, MPhil, Doctorate)
- Foundation degree or short course
- Affiliate programme

Domicile

- UK
- EU (non-UK)
- Overseas (non-EU)

Ethnicity

Department

Programme

Mode of study

- Full time
- Part time
- Mixed mode/flexible

(Please note, the following question refers to your planned mode of study across your time at UCL, rather than any temporary arrangements e.g. learning remotely due to Covid-19 restrictions)

Are you primarily:

- A distance learner
- A face-to-face (on campus) learner

Admissions and decisions

1. Which factors most influenced your decision to study at UCL? (choose up to 3)

- Attending a UCL summer school
- Content of degree programme
- Earning potential of degree
- I wanted to stay at UCL (studied here previously)
- Information on the website
- Information provided to offer holders
- League table position
- Location
- Quality of Connected Learning / digital education options
- Quality of research
- Quality of student support
- Recommended by friends/family
- Recommended by school or university
- Reputation
- Scholarships or bursaries available
- Specific member of UCL staff
- Visiting UCL at an Open Day
- Other

2. Which of the following were the most influential resources in choosing your programme of study? (choose up to 3)

- Advert for UCL
- Google search
- League tables
- My school, college or previous university
- Open Day
- Other website (please specify below)
- Prospectus (printed)
- Recommended by friends or family
- Recommended by teacher or academic
- Recruitment fair or exhibition
- Social media
- Studied at UCL previously
- The UCL website
- UCAS
- Virtual event
- Other

3. What, if anything, might have stopped you from studying your chosen degree programme here? (choose up to 3)

- Accommodation available
- An offer from our competitors
- Online application process
- Campus and facilities
- Career prospects
- Cost of living in London
- Degree structure or syllabus
- Feeling that I wouldn't fit in at UCL
- Information about UCL in the media
- League table ranking
- Length of wait for a decision
- Personal circumstances
- Poor or lack of communication from UCL
- Risk of exposure to Covid-19 infection
- Scholarships available
- Social distancing restrictions implemented in response to Covid-19

- Student support available
- Tuition fees
- Other

4. Please respond to the following statement

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree
The information provided to me about my programme or research pathway before I arrived was accurate				

5. Are there any issues with the accuracy of information provided to you pre-arrival that you wish to highlight?

[Distance learners routed to question 27]

Arriving at UCL

6. As a new student I have found the following useful:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	I haven't heard of this	Not applicable
Guide for New Students on the Welcome to UCL app						
Campus maps and tours						
UCL Students website						
The 'New students' section on the UCL Students website						
Student newsletter (myUCL)						
UCL social media channels (e.g. UCL official Facebook page, @UCL Twitter account, UCL Instagram)						
FAQs section in askUCL						
Countdown to UCL emails						
Online Orientation for New Students						
Connected Learning at UCL online course						
UCL's Introductory Programme (IP)						
Make the Most of UCL events and content						

[UK students routed to question 8]

7. As an international student, I have found the following useful:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	I haven't heard of this	Not applicable
Information on the UCL Students website about accessing healthcare in the UK						
Information on the UCL Students website about how to open a UK bank account						
Information on the UCL Students website about the visa process						
International Common Rooms						

Please note, the events referred to in the following questions include digital events, along with on-campus ones.

8. During my first week at UCL:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable
The enrolment process was straightforward					
I found the social events in the first week helped me to settle in					
I found the Welcome Fair useful					
I found the Welcome to UCL Support Services talk useful					
Staff during the Welcome week and central enrolment process have made me feel welcome (non-departmental staff)					

Academic welcome

9. The welcome or induction events I attended organised by my faculty, department or programme were useful and informative

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable
Organised by Faculty (e.g. Engineering)					
Organised by Department/division (e.g. Biosciences)					
Organised by Programme (e.g. MSc Psychology)					

10. Do you have any particularly positive or negative feedback from the welcome or induction events (including digital events) you attended that you wish to highlight? Please be as specific as possible:

[UG and PGT only, PGR go to question 14]

11. Thinking about your experience of arriving in your department:

More info: *Information from departments could include printed or digital handbooks, induction packs, digital or on-campus events and other programme materials

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable
The introductory information I received from my department was clear and useful (click above for more information)					
Staff in the department or programme have made me feel welcome					
I've been able to make social connections with peers in my department or on my programme					
Welcome events helped me to get to know other students on my programme					
I found module selection to be straightforward					
I have a good understanding of the content and structure of my programme of study this year					
The timetable works efficiently for me					
I prefer "live" teaching and events to recorded equivalents					
I know who to go to with questions about my studies					

12. Have you already met/arranged to meet your personal tutor? [Undergraduate and PGT only]

- Yes
- No
- I haven't heard of this

13. Have you had the opportunity to meet your transition mentor? [Undergraduate only]

- Yes
- No
- I haven't heard of this

14. Have you met/arranged to meet your principal supervisor? [PGR students only]

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

15. Please respond to the following statements about your department or research unit [PGR students only]

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable
The introductory information I received from my department or research unit was clear and useful					

Staff in my department or research unit have made me feel welcome					
Department arrival events helped me to get to know other students					
I have a good understanding of what is expected of me as a UCL research student					
I have a good understanding of what I can expect from my principal supervisor					
I have a clear plan of how to begin my research					
I know who my Departmental Graduate Tutor is and how to contact them					
I am aware of the opportunities open to me through the Doctoral Skills Development Programme					

(Sub-question) Have you been given a copy of the Doctoral School Code of Practice?
[PGR students only]

- Yes
- No
- I haven't heard of this

16. Do you have any further comments about arrival in your faculty, department, programme or research unit at this stage?

Support Services

17. I am confident that I know how to access the following UCL student support or advice services if I need them:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	I haven't heard of this	Not applicable
Administrative support from the Student Centre						
Disability support services						
Immigration advice						
International student support (excluding immigration advice)						
IT support						
Student Fees Office (setting and settlement of tuition fees)						
UCL Student Funding (scholarships, bursaries, funding advice)						
Support and advice from Students' Union						
UCL Careers						

Wellbeing, mental health or psychological support						
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18. I have been successfully able to:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	I haven't heard of this	Not applicable
Access online learning (e.g. Moodle, LinkedIn Learning, Blackboard Collaborate etc.)						
Access software (e.g. MS Word, SPSS) on Desktop anywhere or Desktop@UCL						
Access Wi-Fi on-campus at UCL						
Find a computer						
Use one or more of the libraries within UCL						
Access online library resources (e.g. e-journals, e-books)						

Accommodation

19. Where are you living while studying at UCL?

- UCL managed accommodation
- University of London managed accommodation
- Privately rented house/flat/room
- Private halls or a student hostel
- Living at home
- Staying with a host family
- Other

[If not UCL managed accommodation, routed to question 23]

20. Please select your halls or house

List of UCL managed halls and houses

21. Please respond to the following statements about your accommodation:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree
The UCL staff and student ambassadors checking me in made me feel welcome				
My accommodation was clean and everything was in good working order when I moved in				
All relevant pre-arrival and arrival information was easy to find				
The moving in process was well-organised and straight forward				
I am aware of all the support available to residents in my halls or house				
I feel safe in my accommodation				

22. Is there anything about your experience in UCL accommodation so far that you wish to highlight?

Settling in

23. Please respond to the following statements about settling in to UCL:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable
I feel safe on campus and in the local area					
Based on my experience so far, I feel welcome and part of the wider UCL community					
Based on my experience so far, I feel part of the community in my department or research unit					
I am satisfied with UCL's social distancing measures on-campus					
Overall, I am satisfied with my experience of arrival at UCL					

24. Have you signed up for a club or society?

- Yes
- No, and I probably won't
- No, but I intend to
- No, not sure if I will sign up
- I can't remember if I signed up

25. If you could change one thing about your arrival experience at UCL, what would it be?

26. Is there anything you would have liked more information about?

Distance Learners

[Non-distance learners routed to Q.29]

27. Please respond to the following statements about your experience as a distance learner:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable to me
The information I received from my department, programme or research unit (e.g. course handbook, induction pack) was clear and useful					
As a distance learner I feel welcome and part of my course cohort					
I was clearly informed about what technology I need (e.g. computer, software, browser) as a distance learner					
I was clearly informed about the digital skills I would need to carry out parts of my study					
I have been supported, or know where to get that support, to use that technology					
I found module selection to be straightforward					
I have a good understanding of the content and structure of my programme or research pathway this year					
I have had opportunities to interact with other online learners					
I know who to go to with questions about my studies					
The time commitment involved in my programme has been made clear to me					

28. Do you have any comments about your experience so far at UCL?

Connected Learning at UCL

29. Which digital education assets have you engaged with so far at UCL (select all that apply)

- Virtual Common Rooms / Student Rooms
- Blackboard Collaborate
- Unitu
- Microsoft Teams
- Moodle
- Zoom

- Any others (please list)

30. Please respond to the following statements about Connected Learning at UCL:

	Definitely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Definitely disagree	Not applicable to me
Instructions on how to use Connected Learning services have been easy to understand					
Connected Learning services have helped me contribute to scheduled learning e.g. seminars, tutorials					
Connected Learning opportunities have been convenient for my schedule					
UCL staff seem confident with digital education services					

About you

31. Did any of your parents attend university?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

32. Are you currently on campus at UCL?

- Yes
- No, but plan to come to study on campus before the end of my programme
- No, and plan to study away from campus for the rest of my programme
- Prefer not to say

33. Do you have a disability or a mental health condition? (your response will be anonymised)

- Yes
- No disability
- Prefer not to say

Please tick all that apply

- Mental health condition (e.g. depression, anxiety disorder)
- Specific learning disability (e.g. dyslexia, dyspraxia)
- Other disability (e.g. long-term health condition, physical disability)

[No and Prefer not to say go to Thank you page]

34. Did you have this disability or mental health condition before starting UCL?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

35. Have you declared your disability and/or pre-existing mental health condition to the Student Support and Wellbeing services?

- Yes, as part of my application
- Yes, after applying

- No
- Not applicable