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The annual King's **Admissions update**

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Admissions update

- 5500 places available
- 45000 applications for those places
- 25% are for professional healthcare programmes
- 25% are for Management, Law and Politics/Economics programmes
- But remember, there's five choices and only one student...



How we select

- Predicted grades and educational history
 - Resits are fine, but seen as less competitive if retaking all A levels
- UKCAT for Medicine and Dentistry, LNAT for Law
- For professional healthcare, multiple mini interviews
- Personal statements – the more competitive, the more important the PS



A Levels

- A*AA–BBB
- Required Subjects at A level (and sometimes GCSE)
- Check the online prospectus
- Everything is transparent
 - No secret blacklists or preferred subjects (unless listed!)
- General Studies/Critical Thinking not used in offers
- Offer is on 3 A levels only



A Level reforms

- Removed 4th AS requirement for Medicine/Dentistry
 - Medicine now A*AA
- We want all students to get the practical endorsement
- We appreciate the challenge in predicting grades
- Useful to know about school offering in reference, if relevant ...



GCSEs

- Removed/reduced GCSE requirements where possible
- Still required for professional processes and where there is a genuine pedagogic need
- Overall GCSE profile considered in highly competitive areas
- No plans to use Grade 9 in the near future
- 6=B, 5=C (4 for Nursing)



International Baccalaureate

- Overall: 35 points
- HLs to match A levels:
 - A*AA = 766
 - AAA = 666
 - AAB = 665
 - ABB = 655 & 34 points
 - BBB = 555 & 32 points
- Subject requirements at HL
- HL or SL English can meet language requirements



Access to HE Diploma

- Accepted for all programmes
- Specific diploma subject may be required
- Can generally wait till January for predicted grades
- Again, maps onto A level:
 - A*AA = 39D 6M
 - AAA = 36D 9M
 - AAB = 33D 12M
 - ABB = 30D 15M
 - BBB = 30D 12M 3P



BTEC

- Extended Diploma accepted for Nursing/Midwifery BScs
- Other programmes require one or two A levels alongside BTEC(s)
- BTEC sciences can meet subjects requirement – but please check online
- A* = D with 5 modules at D
- A = D with 4 modules at D
- B = M (but BBB = DDM)



European Qualifications

- Standard entry requirements for most European countries on our website
- Admissions team can advise on subject requirements – we try to be sensible and flexible
- Where possible, English component can meet our language requirements
 - As long as a Tier 4 visa isn't required



Proof of English

- Differ by programme – four different bands of English
- IELTS, TOEFL, Cambridge, Pearson and Trinity all accepted
- GCSE/IGCSE, IB, A level or AP can all meet requirement
- As can English element of most EU/EEA qualifications
- If student thinks they meet, they can get in touch with us



Behind the scenes

- Universities looking to grow, fewer UK 18yos ... and Brexit
- Translates to more offers, with many students now getting five
- Unconditional/incentivised offers (but not at King's)
- Alternative offers instead of a straight rejection
 - But not a backdoor onto the first-choice programme ...
- Clearing now mainstream
 - King's Superstars – A*A*A



Applicant as consumer

- UG offers seen as a contract, granting applicant rights
 - Though unis won't hold them to their side
- 14-day cooling off period after accepting offers
- Much more information online and in offer
 - Offers with more T&Cs, but no real change – just all out in the open
- Clear appeal/complaint process if unhappy



Information overload?

- Much more information – applicants can really drill down into detail before making their final choice
- Hard to know what to use:
 - Unistats/KIS/TEF
 - League tables
 - Application numbers
 - Offer rate calculators
 - Entry requirements
- Most important question – how good a fit is this for me?



*Thank you for
listening. Any
questions?*

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