



University Virtual Open Days and Tours

There are two types of virtual tours

- Those that are recorded and can be viewed anytime and
- Those that are live and have an interactive element with participants being able to ask questions.

Virtual tours are generally a good marketing opportunity for universities. It is their chance to showcase what they are proud of, new buildings with well-equipped teaching rooms, workshops and lecture theatres, spacious and clean student accommodation, a buzzing students' union and sports facilities that have a vast array of equipment. They will also focus on the best attractions within their town or city and many will be filmed on a bright sunny day so everything looks very good.

These virtual tours can be used to get a perspective of what parts of the university and town/city look like and can be away of narrowing down the choice of over 160 universities in the UK.

Virtual Tours can be found on [UCAS](#) or on any university website.

There are also many tours of universities and their accommodation and other facilities on Youtube which are uploaded by current students. These can give a more realistic view of the university but bear in mind the student may have other motives in mind when posting.

Live online tours are happening at most UK universities in Spring/Summer 2020 these will be interactive so questions can be asked. To be involved it will be necessary to register beforehand. A list of open days can be found on

[Opendays](#)

[UCAS](#)

Possible questions to ask:

- What is the split between seminars and lectures?
- What are the assessment methods?
- How many hours a week will I be in timetabled teaching?
- How much studying am I expected to do outside of contact time?
- How much tutor support will I receive?
- How many students will be on the course?
- If I don't meet the grades, is there still a chance I could be offered a place?

- What will make me stand out on my application?
- Will there be interviews before I am offered a place?
- Where could my degree lead me ?
- Are placements or study abroad on offer, where are they, how are they organised, how do they affect tuition fees?
- Is a place in halls guaranteed?

Questions can also be emailed to an Admissions tutor (email address is normally found on the subject page of the university website) or to undergraduate admissions.

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