

# HEO UK/US Timelines Guide

## 2024/25

How to use the *Timelines* guide  
for students applying to UK/US this cycle



### UK and US application portals

When do you open your accounts? How to link your application to the school? HEO has prepared detailed guides for you to follow. **Do not** create accounts before reading our UCAS and CIALFO guides.



### University admission tests

Do any of your course choices (Law, Med, Oxbridge, Imperial) require an admission test? When and how to sign up? Apply and register for your test independently.



### Letters of recommendations and CT's reference

When to approach your Civics Tutor and subject teachers for references? How many letters do you need? Do respect your teachers' time by asking early.



### Do not miss submission deadlines!

All students must submit UCAS applications and confirm your US college choices on CIALFO by **our internal deadlines**. This allows your teachers and HEO sufficient time to complete your apps.

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Students **adhere to all internal deadlines** set by teachers and HEO. We need time to get materials ready for you. This is **non-negotiable**.

Check off completed tasks, be aware of upcoming deadlines.

Check Ivy HEO for our guides to all things app-related. In all cases, check with colleges & testing websites directly for their specific deadlines and updates. Students register independently for all external tests.

Note to alumni: All necessary app guides are uploaded on our open web. If you wish for feedback on your essays, please see Instructions for Written Feedback from Sep onwards.

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## 2024/25 UK and US Application Timeline (updated 10 Jul)

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US: Colleges have different Common App deadlines. You should submit your Common App by your colleges' stipulated deadlines.

Do check as well for SAT requirements, if any.

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