

## **Access to Southampton Scheme 2021 Entry: Application Guidance**

### **How to apply**

Please ensure that the online application form is completed in full, and that all information provided is true and accurate. You must complete the online application form in one sitting. You cannot save your form and return to it later.

This form must be supported by a member of staff at your school/college; this could be your personal tutor, subject teacher or another member of staff who is able to provide the following information:

- Comments on your academic suitability for the programme and, if possible, your predicted grades
- Confirmation of which of the eligibility criteria you meet and how these have impacted upon your studies
- Any other information relevant to your application.

You must already have your reference before you complete the form as you will be required to upload it as an attachment, and cannot submit the form without it. Please ensure that your referee has read the Guidance Information for Teachers document on our website. The reference can be uploaded in the format of a Word document, scanned PDF document or a good quality photo of a letter.

When shortlisting applications we will be taking into account the following:

- That you are studying the necessary AS, A-Level or equivalent qualifications for your chosen subject
- That you meet any GCSE requirements for your chosen subject
- Your predicted and past grades
- Motivation to study your chosen subject at degree level
- Motivation to study at the University of Southampton
- The reference provided by your school/college.

The deadline for completed applications is **15 May 2020**. Please note that we will be unable to accept late applications.

### **The A2S Summer School and academic assignment**

Please note that places on the scheme are competitive and, as such, students applying should be committed to participating in the full programme.

For those selected, the A2S Summer School will provide an opportunity to see what life is like as a University of Southampton student. You will get the chance to explore the campus, attend lectures, seminars and/or labs organised by academic tutors in your chosen discipline, as well as spend time with current University of Southampton students.

The Summer School will take place in July 2020. Attendance at both days of the Summer School is a compulsory part of the scheme.

We aim to offer accommodation in our halls of residence to as many students attending the Summer School as possible. However, in the case that demand vastly outweighs the number of rooms available, priority will be given to those travelling from outside Hampshire. The event is free to attend, and standard-class travel costs can be reimbursed if required.

Applicants must be aware that as part of the scheme you will be set an academic assignment or assessment at the Summer School, which you must complete and pass to be eligible for the associated additional admissions consideration, online support and A2S scholarship.

**Next steps**

Once you have submitted your application we will contact you to confirm that it has been received by the A2S team. You will be notified if you have been selected for the Summer School by 5 June 2020.

Please ensure you inform the A2S team if your email or postal address changes so that we can keep you updated on the progress of your application.

**Contact**

If you have any queries about the scheme or the application process please contact the A2S Co-ordinator: Tel: 023 8059 5696 | Email: [outreach@soton.ac.uk](mailto:outreach@soton.ac.uk)