

Unconditional Offer Scheme 2019 Statement

Our unconditional offer scheme allows us to support students in certain subject areas, who demonstrate passion, exceptional achievement and academic performance. Our assessment will consider all indicators of potential. We will consider all that a student has to offer, including their experience and interests as well as the views of their current school or college. We will review the personal statement carefully and take into account the reference and predicted grades.

We want to understand our students and an unconditional offer will only be made if we are confident that it is in the best interests of the student and will not adversely affect their current studies. To ensure this we will have spoken with the student either face-to-face at one of our applicant days or on the phone, prior to any unconditional offer.

Our decision about whether to make an unconditional offer prior to examination results is influenced by many factors. The most important consideration is the best interest of our students. Although it is not always possible to offer an unconditional place, we would reassure students that this is not a reflection in our confidence that they will achieve, either in their current studies or when they come to Hartpury. When we make any offer, we make a commitment to our students. We consider anyone who has accepted an offer, whether conditional or unconditional, to be one of our students. We are confident they will achieve and they have our full support during their transition into Hartpury University and, naturally, when they are studying here.

Questions

What if I do not have the GCSE required?

It is important that we have assurance of your previous academic achievement so if we don't have GCSE qualifications or equivalent results, including English and Maths, we will not be able to consider you for an unconditional offer. However, we would be happy to consider you for a conditional offer.

Are all students studying all qualifications at Level 3 considered under this scheme?

We are happy to consider students studying most two year Level 3 qualifications. However Access and Foundation qualifications cannot be considered as they are achieved over one year and it is unlikely that we will have predicted grades. We would not have the necessary information to make an accurate assessment of your academic potential. We are happy consider mature students with experience under our mature scheme, which will involve an interview and a written assessment if necessary.

Does the unconditional offer scheme mean that my Level 3 qualifications are not important?

We believe that all qualifications are important, especially Level 3 studies. Unconditional offers are only made to individuals who have already demonstrated their motivation and when we are sure it will not impact their current studies. We believe that this focus and determination to achieve is very unlikely to disappear because of an unconditional offer. We hope that the offer will give students more self-belief and confidence in their own abilities. In many subject areas, there is still the opportunity to gain an achievement-based bursary.

Can I defer my unconditional offer obtained through this scheme?

No, the unconditional offer is only for the current year. We are happy to consider you for a conditional offer that you can defer.

If I receive an unconditional offer what do I need to do to accept it?

You will need to make Hartpury University your firm choice.

Will unconditional offer holders receive priority over conditional offer holders for accommodation?

Our accommodation is offered to all who make us their firm choice. If you attend one of our Applicant Days in February 2019 (Equine 11 February, Animal and Agriculture 13 February and Sport 15 February) then you can apply early for accommodation irrespective of whether you have a conditional or unconditional offer.