FRAMEWORK · FALL 2027 ENTRY

UK University Guarantee Framework

GUARANTEE COMMITMENT

If an eligible student fulfils all requirements and does not receive a Qualifying Offer (conditional offer of admission) from at least one Russell Group or CUG Top 20 university, the student will be refunded up to **£40,000 (GBP)**of programme fees paid.

01 The Guarantee

What the Guarantee covers

The Guarantee covers receipt of at least one conditional (or unconditional) offer of admission from a Qualifying University, delivered through UCAS. It does not guarantee admission to any specific university or course, nor to any institution ranked in a specific position. It does not guarantee final enrolment, which remains conditional on the student achieving the grades specified in any conditional offer.

02 Which universities are included

- Russell Group universities (24 in total)
- St. Andrews
- Loughborough
- Bath
- Lancaster

CUG Top 20 University: thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/league-tables/rankings

03 Eligibility requirements

Who the Guarantee applies to

- Applicable for students starting Fall 2027

Attendance

- Student needs to attend a minimum of two consecutive full academic years at the point of the student's graduation from Brentwood

Minimum grades

Minimum outcome requirement to be considered:

Qualification	Minimum requirement
A Level	AAB
IB	34 points with 6, 6, 5 at Higher Level
BTEC	DDD

English language

Language proficiency equivalent of:

Test	Minimum requirement
IELTS	6.0 overall; no band below 5.5
TOEFL iBT	72 overall
Cambridge C1 Advanced	Grade C or above
Pearson PTE Academic	51 overall

Admissions tests

- Where required by the student's chosen courses, the student must register for and sit all relevant admissions tests (e.g. UCAT, LNAT, MAT, STEP, BMAT, TSA) by the applicable deadlines.
- Brentwood will advise on required tests; it is the student's responsibility to confirm individual university requirements.

Conduct

- The student must not be subject to any disciplinary action resulting in suspension or expulsion from the school.
- Any academic misconduct, including plagiarism, will result in immediate disqualification from the Guarantee.

Additional requirements

- Student would need to be predicted to meet any particular subject requirements specified on the university's course page (e.g. if a particular course has a stated prerequisite of a predicted A grade in A Level Chemistry, they must have a predicted A grade in A Level Chemistry).
- Students seeking to study Medicine, Dentistry, or Veterinary Medicine are excluded from the guarantee.

- For students who took GCSEs in the UK or at an international school, they need to have attained 50 points from their best 8 GCSEs.

04 Applying through UCAS

- Students submit their applications to UCAS during the Michaelmas Term of their Upper Sixth year, i.e. before Christmas.
- Students must apply to at least three schools among the group of schools listed above.
- Members of the Brentwood university advising team must review predicted grades prior to application submission. A student's predicted grades for their UCAS application are issued by the School, approved by the Director of Sixth Form, during the Michaelmas Term (likely October) of their Upper Sixth year.
- Students need to submit their application in UCAS via the School, and the Director of Sixth Form needs to approve all sections of the student's UCAS application including their personal statement before final submission.
- Student cannot withdraw any application without prior approval of Brentwood/Amerigo.
- The student needs to apply to universities where their predicted grades are in line or better than the upper bound of any stated entry requirements on the particular university course's webpage.

05 The 6th choice provision

- Failure for the student to gain acceptance (into the student's five choices in the UCAS system)
- Student would apply to a sixth choice in the UCAS system; the sixth choice would have to be chosen on advice from the Director of Sixth Form

In the event that the student's initial five (5) UCAS choices all result in rejections, the student becomes eligible to add a sixth (6th) UCAS choice. The following conditions apply to this provision:

- The 6th choice must be a Qualifying University (Russell Group or CUG Top 20 in the year of application).
- The 6th choice must be selected solely on the advice and with the written approval of the Director of Sixth Form.
- The student must remain in compliance with all other participation requirements in Section 3 at the time of adding the 6th choice.
- If the 6th choice also results in a rejection, the Guarantee claim process (Section 8) may be initiated.

06 Refund amount

If the Guarantee is triggered, the student will be refunded the lesser of (a) the programme fees actually paid to Amerigo and Brentwood or (b) £40,000 GBP. Third-party costs, including examination fees, test preparation, travel, accommodation, and visa expenses, are excluded.

07 When the Guarantee doesn't apply (void conditions)

The Guarantee is void and no refund will be issued if any of the following apply:

- The student declines, fails to respond to, or allows to lapse any Qualifying Offer received through UCAS.
- The student fails to meet the conditions of a conditional Qualifying Offer (e.g. does not achieve the required examination grades).
- The student submits their UCAS application after the end of Michaelmas Term (before Christmas) of their Upper Sixth year.
- The student applies to a course without meeting the stated subject-specific prerequisites.
- The UCAS application is submitted without the Director of Sixth Form's approval of all sections.
- The student applies to courses where their predicted grades fall below the upper bound of stated entry requirements, without prior written counsellor approval.
- The student does not meet the GCSE points requirement (where applicable).
- The student withdraws from the programme before completing two full programme years.
- The student provides false or misleading information at any stage.
- The student is subject to disciplinary action leading to suspension or expulsion, or commits academic misconduct.
- Force majeure events prevent normal UCAS admissions from taking place.

08 How to make a claim

To make a claim under the Guarantee, the Family must notify Amerigo and Brentwood in writing within 14 days of the UCAS final decision date. The claim must include full documentation of all UCAS applications, decisions, and evidence that all eligibility and participation requirements were met. Amerigo and Brentwood will assess the claim within 30 days of receiving complete documentation, and approved refunds will be processed within 60 days.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

UK University Guarantee

If an eligible student meets every requirement and does not receive a Qualifying Offer (a conditional offer of admission) from at least one Qualifying university, the student will be refunded up to **£40,000**of programme fees paid.

The Guarantee

What is the UK University Guarantee?

If an eligible student fulfils all requirements and does not receive a Qualifying Offer from at least one Qualifying university, Amerigo and Brentwood will refund up to £40,000 of programme fees paid. A Qualifying Offer is a conditional offer of admission, received through UCAS.

What does the Guarantee cover?

It covers receiving at least one conditional (or unconditional) offer of admission from a Qualifying University, delivered through UCAS.

What does the Guarantee not cover?

The Guarantee does not promise:

- admission to any specific university or course
- admission to an institution ranked in a specific position
- final enrolment, which still depends on the student achieving the grades in any conditional offer

Which universities count as Qualifying Universities?

The universities currently included are:

- Russell Group universities (24 in total)
- St Andrews
- Loughborough
- Bath
- Lancaster

CUG universities: Complete University Guide league tables.

The CUG Top 20 can change from year to year, so this list is not fixed.

Who can the Guarantee apply to?

It applies to students starting the programme at Brentwood in Fall 2027, which is the time of enrolment.

Eligibility

How long does a student need to attend?

A student needs to attend a minimum of two consecutive full academic years at the point of graduation from Brentwood. Withdrawing from the programme before completing two full programme years makes the Guarantee void.

What are the minimum grades?

To be considered, a student needs at least:

Qualification	Minimum requirement
A Level	AAB
IB	34 points, with 6, 6, 5 at Higher Level
BTEC	DDD

What English language level is required?

A language proficiency equivalent to one of the following:

Test	Minimum requirement
IELTS	6.0 overall, with no band below 5.5
TOEFL iBT	72 overall
Cambridge C1 Advanced	Grade C or above
Pearson PTE Academic	51 overall

Is there a GCSE requirement?

Yes, for students who took GCSEs in the UK or at an international school: 50 points from their best 8 GCSEs.

Do students need to sit admissions tests?

Where the student's chosen courses require them, the student must register for and sit all relevant admissions tests (for example UCAT, LNAT, MAT, STEP, BMAT, TSA) by the applicable deadlines. The school will advise on required tests, but it is the student's responsibility to confirm each university's requirements.

Are there subject-specific requirements?

Yes. A student must be predicted to meet any subject requirements on the university's course page. For example, if a course requires a predicted A grade in A Level Chemistry, the student must have a predicted A grade in A Level Chemistry.

Are all courses covered?

No. Students seeking to study Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine are excluded from the Guarantee.

What are the conduct requirements?

The student must not be subject to any disciplinary action resulting in suspension or expulsion from Brentwood. Any academic misconduct, including plagiarism, results in immediate disqualification from the Guarantee.

Applying through UCAS

When must the application be submitted?

Students submit their UCAS application during the Michaelmas Term of their Upper Sixth year, which means before Christmas. An application submitted after the end of Michaelmas Term makes the Guarantee void.

Who needs to approve the application?

The application must be submitted in UCAS via Brentwood, and the Director of Sixth Form needs to approve all sections, including the personal statement, before final submission. Submitting without that approval makes the Guarantee void.

Predicted grades are issued by the school and approved by the Director of Sixth Form during the Michaelmas Term (likely October) of the Upper Sixth year. Members of the Brentwood university advising team must review predicted grades before the application is submitted.

How many Qualifying Universities must a student apply to?

At least three of the universities listed above.

Which courses can a student apply to?

The student needs to apply to universities where their predicted grades are in line with, or better than, the upper bound of any stated entry requirements on the course's webpage. They must also be predicted to meet any subject-specific requirements.

Applying to a course where predicted grades fall below the upper bound of the stated entry requirements, without prior written approval, makes the Guarantee void. So does applying to a course without meeting its subject-specific prerequisites.

Can a student withdraw an application?

Not without prior approval of Brentwood/Amerigo.

What happens if all five UCAS choices are rejected?

The student becomes eligible to add a sixth (6th) UCAS choice.

What conditions apply to the 6th choice?

- It must be a Qualifying University (Russell Group or CUG Top 20 in the year of application).
- It must be selected solely on the advice, and with the written approval, of the Director of Sixth Form.
- The student must still meet all other participation requirements when adding it.

What if the 6th choice is also rejected?

The Guarantee claim process may then be started (see "How do I make a claim?" below).

Refunds and claims

How much is refunded?

If the Guarantee is triggered, the student will be refunded the lesser of (a) the programme fees actually paid or (b) £40,000. Third-party costs are excluded, including examination fees, test preparation, travel, accommodation and visa expenses.

When does the Guarantee no longer apply?

The Guarantee is void, and no refund is issued, if any of the following apply:

- The student declines, fails to respond to, or allows to lapse any Qualifying Offer received through UCAS.
- The student fails to meet the conditions of a conditional Qualifying Offer (for example, does not achieve the required examination grades).
- The student submits their UCAS application after the end of Michaelmas Term (before Christmas) of their Upper Sixth year.
- The student applies to a course without meeting the stated subject-specific prerequisites.
- The UCAS application is submitted without the Director of Sixth Form's approval of all sections.
- The student applies to courses where their predicted grades fall below the upper bound of stated entry requirements, without prior written approval.
- The student does not meet the GCSE points requirement (where applicable).
- The student withdraws from the programme before completing two full programme years.
- The student provides false or misleading information at any stage.
- The student is subject to disciplinary action leading to suspension or expulsion, or commits academic misconduct.
- Force majeure events prevent normal UCAS admissions from taking place.

How do I make a claim?

The family must notify Amerigo and Brentwood in writing within 14 days of the UCAS final decision date. The claim must include full documentation of all UCAS applications and decisions, plus evidence that all eligibility and participation requirements were met.

How long does a claim take?

Amerigo and Brentwood assess the claim within 30 days of receiving complete documentation. Approved refunds are processed within 60 days.