Flexible Admissions Policy for 2020 Entry
Information for Applicants

We strive to make our student population more representative of the overall population in terms of socioeconomic background. We select students based on their potential to succeed on our courses and we recognise that some educational and personal circumstances affect achievement.

Students who will receive a contextual offer are:

- students who have spent more than 3 months in care

Or

- students who have attended a state school and meet any one of the criteria below;
  - have attended a sustained widening participation programme
  - live in low participation neighbourhoods and disadvantaged areas
  - are refugees

If you meet the above criteria, and the academic department/school would like to make you an offer for the course to which you have applied, you will be made an alternative offer which is one grade lower than the standard offer. This is subject to the caveats below;

- You are considered as a Home fee status student for tuition fee purposes
- If our standard offer for a course includes a particular grade in a specified subject, we will not normally reduce that part of the offer. For example, if a courses standard offer is AAB with an A in Maths the contextual offer would be ABB with an A in Maths
- For year 1 entry, no offers will be made below the university minimum entry grades of BBC
- For foundation year entry, no offers will be made below the university minimum entry grades of BCC
Some courses have additional entry requirements such as tests or interviews which must be passed before any contextual offer can be made. When admissions staff use additional selection criteria, tests and interviews, they are aware that applicants have access to different opportunities and support.

For Veterinary Medicine courses, the offer made will not be a grade lower but will be a more flexible offer in terms of subject grade requirements.

For Medicine and Physiotherapy courses, the contextual offer made will be dependent upon a student selecting the University of Nottingham as their firm choice.