



UKCAT Consortium Questionnaire

Why is this information required?

The UKCAT Consortium wants to minimise bias due to factors such as age, sex, nationality, ethnicity, or socio-economic background of the candidates on their performance in the test. In order to do this, we need to ask for information about each applicant's nationality, ethnicity, parents' occupation, mother tongue and languages spoken and highest educational level, as part of the registration process.

The questions we ask are the same as the questions used in the 2001 UK Census, which were developed by the Office for National Statistics in consultation with the Commission for Racial Equality. The questions are shown below, with guidance on how to answer them.

Please answer the questions about your nationality, your ethnicity and about your parents' occupations as fully and as accurately as you can. By your parents, we mean the parent(s) or carer(s), who have most fulfilled the role of parents in the household in which you grew up, who may or may not be your biological parents.

UKCAT Consortium guarantee that this information will not be passed to universities before the selection process is complete. The UKCAT consortium will store the data in an anonymised electronic form containing only random identifying codes, with names being stored separately, and all files will be password-encrypted.

The information will be used solely for the purposes of educational research, evaluation of the UKCAT and quality control of the selection process. The results will be published in medical, educational and other academic publications in aggregate or other forms in which individuals cannot be identified.

You can choose the option 'Information withheld' in answer to any of these questions without it affecting your application. A proportion of people who choose this option (as well as some who complete the full set of questions) will be sent a paper questionnaire asking these questions again, for return entirely anonymously, to allow UKCAT to undertake a proper statistical interpretation of the data.

Question 1: Please type in your 10 digit UCAS Personal ID Number if known.
Answer: *Type in your 10 UCAS Personal ID Number if you have it. If not, you can leave this field blank.*

Question 2: Please re-type in your 10 digit UCAS Personal ID Number if known.

Answer: *Re-type in your 10 UCAS Personal ID Number if you have it. If not, you can leave this field blank.*

Question 3: Please confirm that you have reviewed the practice test questions.

Answer: *It is important that you have reviewed the practice questions prior to sitting the test. You can try the practice test questions at the following website address:<http://www.ukcat.ac.uk/home/preparation/practice-questions/> Once you have tried the practice test questions, select YES.*

Question 4: What is your date of birth? Please type your date of birth in the following format dd/mm/yyyy

Answer: *You must enter your date of birth in the format indicated above. For example if your date of birth is the 27th of November 1989, you would enter 27/11/1989*

Question 5: What is your sex?

Answer: *Select Female or Male.*

Question 6: What is your home postcode? (This should be your permanent residence, not an educational establishment or temporary residence).

Answer: *Type in your home postcode in the space provided.*

Question 7: What do you consider your national identity to be? Please choose your answer from this list, choose as many or as few as apply.

Answer:

1. *English*
2. *Scottish*
3. *Welsh*
4. *Irish*
5. *British*
6. *Information withheld*
7. *Other national identity – please type in your nationality below.*

Question 8: If you selected Other please type in your answer here.

Answer: *Type in your nationality here if you selected “Other national identity” above.*

Otherwise, leave this space blank if you selected options 1-6 from the previous question.

Question 9: What is your ethnic group? Please chose ONE from the following list.

Answer:

1. *White – British*
2. *White – Irish*
3. *White – Other*
4. *Mixed – White/Black Caribbean*
5. *Mixed – White/Black African*
7. *Mixed – White/Asian*
8. *Mixed – Other*
9. *Black/Black British – Caribbean*
10. *Black/Black British – African*
11. *Black/Black British – Other*
12. *Asian/Asian British – Indian*
13. *Asian/Asian British – Pakistani*
14. *Asian/Asian British – Bangladeshi*
15. *Asian/Asian British – Other Asian*
16. *Chinese*
17. *Information withheld*
18. *Other ethnic group – please type in your ethnic group below*

Question 10: If you selected 'Other' please type in your answer here.

Answer: *Type in your ethnicity here if you selected "Other ethnic group" above.*

Otherwise, leave this space blank if you selected options 1-16 from the previous question.

Question 11: Does (did) your Parent/Carer 1 work as an employee or are (were) they self-employed?

Answer:

1. *Employee*
2. *Self-employed with employees*
3. *Self-employed without employees – please select "Not applicable" on the next question*
4. *Information withheld*

Question 12: Does (did) your Parent/Carer 1 supervise other employees on a day-to-day basis?

Answer:

1. *Yes*
2. *No*
3. *Do not know*
4. *Not applicable*
5. *Information withheld*

Question 13: Please estimate how many people work (worked) where your parent/carer work.

Answer:

1. 1-24 employees
2. 25 or more employees
3. Do not know
4. Not applicable
5. Information withheld

Question 14: Please select the option that best describes Parent/Carer 1 occupation.

If your parent/carer 1 is not working now please show what she/he was employed as.

Answer

1. *Modern professional:*

Such as: teacher, nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, welfare officer, artist, musician, police officer (sergeant or above), software designer

2. *Clerical and intermediate occupations:*

Such as: secretary, personal assistant, clerical worker, office clerk, call centre agent, nursing auxiliary, nursery nurse

3. *Senior managers or administrators: (Usually responsible for planning, organising and work and for finance)*

Such as: finance manager, chief executive

4. *Technical and craft occupations:*

Such as: motor mechanic, fitter, inspector, plumber, printer, tool maker, electrician, gardener, train driver

5. *Semi-routine manual and service occupations:*

Such as: postal worker, machine operative, security guard, caretaker, farm worker, catering assistant, receptionist, sales assistant

6. *Routine and manual and service occupations:*

Such as: HGV driver, van driver, cleaner, porter, packer, sewing machinist, messenger, bar staff, waiter/waitress, labourer

7. *Middle or junior managers:*

Such as: office manager, retail manager, bank manager, restaurant manager, warehouse manager, publican

8. *Traditional professional occupations:*

Such as: accountant, solicitor, medical practitioner, scientist, civil servant, mechanical engineer

9. *Never worked*

10. *Do not know*

11. *Information withheld*

Question 15: What is the sex of your Parent/Carer 1?

Answer:

1. *Female*

2. *Male*

3. *Information withheld*

Question 16: Does (did) your Parent/Carer 2 work as an employee or are (were) they self-employed?

Answer:

1. *Employee*

2. *Self-employed with employees*

3. *Self-employed without employees – please select “Not applicable” on the next question*
4. *Information withheld*
5. *Not applicable, one parent/carer household*

Question 17: Does (did) your Parent/Carer 2 supervise other employees on a day-to-day basis?

Answer:

1. *Yes*
2. *No*
3. *Do not know*
4. *Not applicable*
5. *Information withheld*
6. *Not applicable, one parent/carer household*

Question 18: Please estimate how many people work (worked) where your parent/carer 2 work.

Answer:

1. *1-24 employees*
2. *25 or more employees*
3. *Do not know*
4. *Not applicable*
5. *Information withheld*
6. *Not applicable, one parent/carer household*

Question 19: Please select the option that best describes Parent/Carer 2 occupation.

If your parent/carer is not working now please show what she/he was employed as.

Answer:

1. *Modern professional:*
Such as: teacher, nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, welfare officer, artist, musician, police officer (sergeant or above), software designer
2. *Clerical and intermediate occupations:*
Such as: secretary, personal assistant, clerical worker, office clerk, call centre agent, nursing auxiliary, nursery nurse
3. *Senior managers or administrators: (Usually responsible for planning, organising and work and for finance)*
Such as: finance manager, chief executive
4. *Technical and craft occupations:*
Such as: motor mechanic, fitter, inspector, plumber, printer, tool maker, electrician, gardener, train driver
5. *Semi-routine manual and service occupations:*
Such as: postal worker, machine operative, security guard, caretaker, farm worker, catering assistant, receptionist, sales assistant
6. *Routine and manual and service occupations:*
Such as: HGV driver, van driver, cleaner, porter, packer, sewing machinist, messenger, bar staff, waiter/waitress, labourer
7. *Middle or junior managers:*
Such as: office manager, retail manager, bank manager, restaurant manager,

warehouse manager, publican

8. Traditional professional occupations:

Such as: accountant, solicitor, medical practitioner, scientist, civil servant, mechanical engineer

9. Never worked

10. Do not know

11. Information withheld

12. Not applicable, one parent/carer household

Question 20: What is the sex of your Parent/Carer 2?

Answer:

1. Female

2. Male

3. Information withheld

4. Not applicable, one parent carer household

Question 21: What language(s) do you speak fluently?

Fluency is defined as a native or near-native speaker, meaning you can participate in extended conversations, understand the language when spoken normally (for example on TV), figure out meaning of words within context, debate, use and understand complex sentences with little or no difficulty, speak with a good accent.

Answer:

Refer appendix A

Question 22: What is your 'mother tongue' / first language?

By this we mean the first dialect or language you spoke and that was spoken in your home in your earliest childhood. This is not a question about how well you now speak that language.

You can select more than one 'mother tongue' / first language if applicable.

Answer:

Refer appendix A

Question 23: If you selected "Other" to the question above, please specify in the text box below the language that you speak:

Answer: *Type in your language here if you selected "Other" language above. Otherwise, leave this space blank if you selected options 1-119 from the previous question.*

Question 24: At what age did you start to learn English?

Answer:

1. Age 2 or below

2. Age 3

3. Age 4

4. Age 5

5. Age 6

6. Age 7

7. Age 8

8. Age 9
9. Age 10
10. Age 11
11. Age 12
12. Age 13
13. Age 14
14. Age 15
15. Age 16
16. Age 17
17. Age 18
18. Age 19
19. Age 20
20. Over 20
21. Information Withheld

Question 25: What will be your highest level of academic qualification before you start medical school (that is, by September 2009)?

Answer:

1. School leaving qualifications eg A levels, International baccalaureate or equivalent
2. Pre-Higher education eg Access course or Foundation course
3. Higher education
4. Information withheld

Question 26: If you choose Higher education, now select the HE qualification (Refer to the following table as an example)

Certificate level	Certificates of Higher Education
Intermediate level	Foundation degrees Ordinary or non-honours Bachelors degrees, Diplomas of Higher Education eg Nursing, BTEC national Diplomas
Honours level	Bachelors degrees with Honours, BDS BVet Med or equivalent Graduate Certificates Graduate Diplomas
Masters level	Masters degrees, Postgraduate Certificates Postgraduate Diplomas
Doctoral level	Doctorates

Answer:

1. Certificates of Higher Education
2. Foundation degrees
3. Ordinary or non-honours Bachelors degrees
4. Diplomas of Higher Education eg Nursing
5. BTEC national diplomas
6. Bachelors degrees with honours
7. BDS
8. BVet Med or equivalent

9. Graduate Certificates
10. Graduate Diplomas
11. Masters degree
12. Postgraduate Certificates
13. Postgraduate Diplomas
14. Doctorate
15. Other

Question 27: Please specify in the text box below the 'Other' higher education level that you have attained.

Answer: Type in your higher education level here if you selected "Other" higher education level above.

Otherwise, leave this space blank if you selected options 1-15 from the previous question.

Question 28: I have read and understood the reasons for collection of the data I have supplied above, and I agree to its use by the UKCAT Consortium as described in the information from "Why is this information required?" link above.

Answer: You must answer YES to this question to complete the registration. If you do not agree, you will not be able to complete the registration.

Appendix A – Language list (for Question 21 and 22)

1. English
2. Welsh
3. Afrikaans
4. Albanian
5. Amharic
6. Arabic
7. Armenian
8. Ashanti
9. Azeri
10. Basque
11. Byelorussian
12. Bengali
13. Bosnian
14. Bulgarian
15. Burmese
16. Catalan
17. Cebuano
18. Chichewa
19. Chinese-Mandarin
20. Chinese-Cantonese/Yue
21. Chinese-Gan
22. Chinese-Hakka
23. Chinese-Min
24. Chinese-Wu
25. Chinese-Xiang

26. *Chinese-Other*
27. *Chinese Simplified*
28. *Chinese Traditional*
29. *Croatian*
30. *Czech*
31. *Danish*
32. *Dari*
33. *Dutch*
34. *Efik*
35. *Estonian*
36. *Ewe*
37. *Fanti*
38. *Farsi*
39. *Finnish*
40. *French*
41. *Fulah*
42. *Galician*
43. *Georgian*
44. *German*
45. *Greek*
46. *Gujurati*
47. *Hausa*
48. *Hebrew*
49. *Hindi*
50. *Hungarian*
51. *Icelandic*
52. *Igbo*
53. *Ilocano*
54. *Indonesian*
55. *Italian*
56. *Japanese*
57. *Javanese*
58. *Kannada*
59. *Kashmiri*
60. *Kazakh*
61. *Khmer*
62. *Kikuyu*
63. *Kinyarwanda*
64. *Kish*
65. *Korean*
66. *Kurdish*
67. *Kosraean*
68. *Lao*
69. *Latvian*
70. *Lingala*
71. *Lithuanian*
72. *Macedonian*
73. *Malagasy*
74. *Malay*
75. *Malayalam*
76. *Maltese*
77. *Marathi*
78. *Marshallese*

79. *Mirpuri*
80. *Moldovan*
81. *Mongolian*
82. *Nepalese*
83. *Norwegian*
84. *Palauan*
85. *Pidgin English*
86. *Polish*
87. *Portuguese*
88. *Punjabi*
89. *Pushto*
90. *Romanian*
91. *Russian*
92. *Serbian*
93. *Sinhalese*
94. *Slovak*
95. *Slovenian*
96. *Somali*
97. *Spanish*
98. *Swahili*
99. *Swedish*
100. *Tagalog*
101. *Tajik*
102. *Tamazight*
103. *Tamil*
104. *Telugu*
105. *Thai*
106. *Tibetan*
107. *Tigrinian*
108. *Trukese*
109. *Turkish*
110. *Turkmen*
111. *Twi*
112. *Ukrainian*
113. *Urdu*
114. *Uzbek*
115. *Vietnamese*
116. *Wolof*
117. *Yapese*
118. *Yoruba*
119. *Zulu*
120. *Other*