

# SPM grads get more time to apply for higher education courses via UPUOnline

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PETALING JAYA: Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) holders will now have until April 12 to apply for higher education courses via UPUOnline, says the Higher Education Ministry.

However, the last day for Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia (STPM) or those with equivalent qualifications remains on March 23. Referring to the Education Ministry's announcement on the 2025 SPM results date, the application period for the 2026/2027 Academic Session (SPM Holders Phase) via UPUOnline, which opened on January 29, has been extended from March 23 to April 12, according to a statement on Monday (March 9).

The Ministry also reminded interested SPM holders to purchase the UPUOnline PIN number from Bank Simpanan Nasional (BSN) for RM10.60 (inclusive of service charge) before submitting their applications online. Payments can be made at BSN counters, BSN ATMs, or through myBSN Internet Banking. BSN will provide a PIN and payment receipt, and applicants must keep the payment slip as proof. A total of 363 study programmes for SPM graduates and 1,146 programmes for STPM/equivalent graduates are offered by public universities, polytechnics, community colleges, and MARA. For more information, call the IPTA student admission division at 03-8684 2363, email [upu@mohe.gov.my](mailto:upu@mohe.gov.my) or forward any questions directly to the student admission division, located at the Higher Education Department, Level 4, Menara 2, Jalan P5/6, Presint 5, 62000, Wilayah Persekutuan