

BHASVIC

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1.University Research



Aims of the Session



- To begin to look at what **we need to consider** when thinking about applying to uni
- To know about some of the **tools we can use**

Higher Education

- If you are thinking of going to uni you will spend quite a bit of time looking at different options to find the option **that is right for you**
- This is **your decision** (and an important one!) and while you will **know the course that is right for you**, we can help you with the **tools** to help you along the way



What should I look for in a Course?

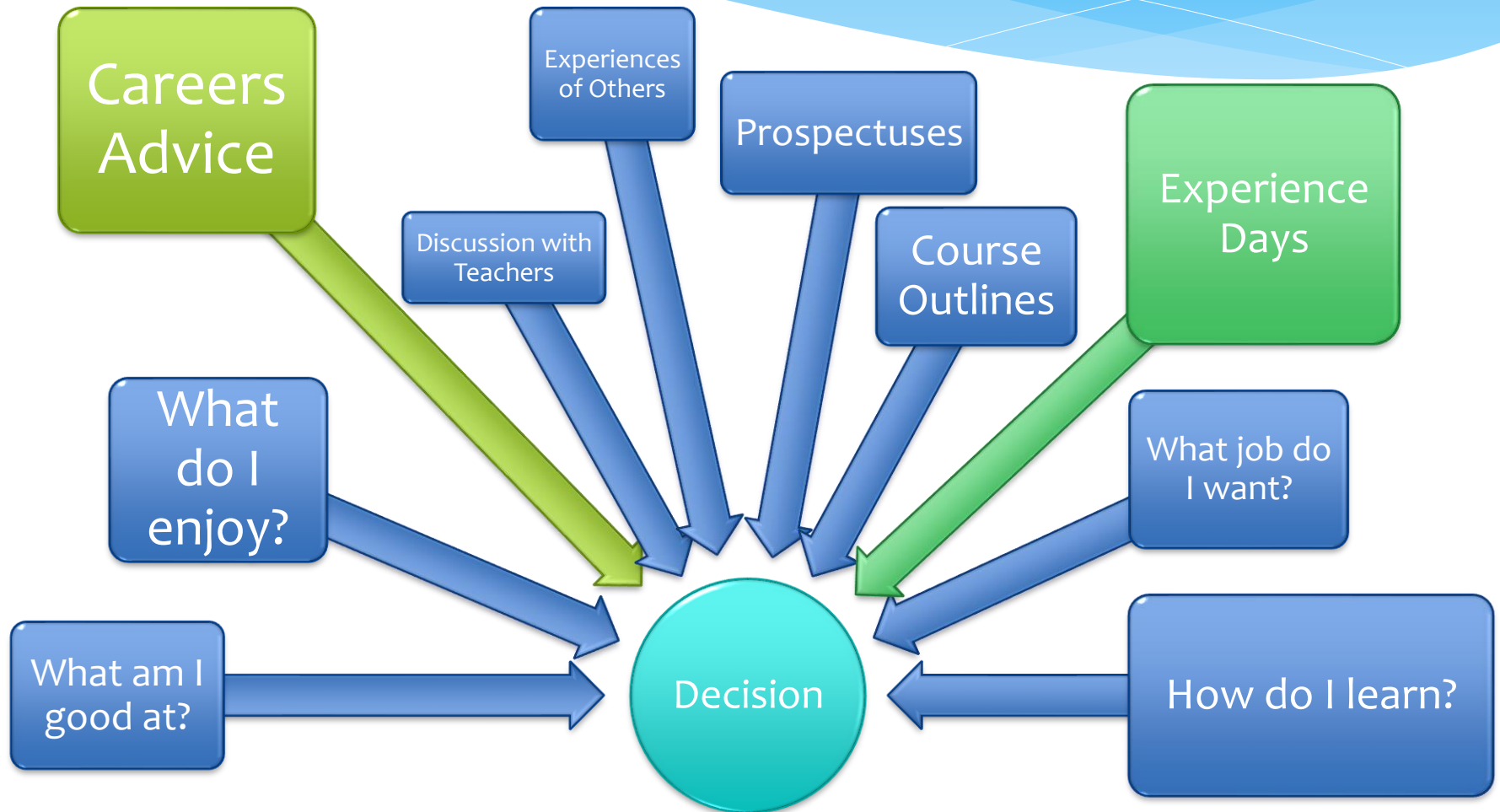
- * Interesting & Enjoyable
- * Academic/ Technical
- * Content and structure
- * Assessment
- * Employment



- ☒ yes
- ☐ no
- ☐ maybe

Choosing a Course?

How do I know!

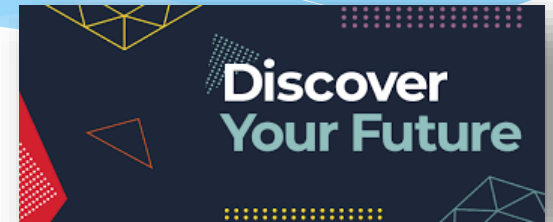


Choosing a course

Where do you get information from...

Lots of websites but some key ones are:

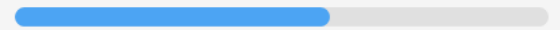
- * **TheUniGuide** (general info)
- * **Complete University Guide** (general info)
- * **DiscoverUni** (comparing Universities)
- * **What Uni** (students can create accounts)
- * **UCAS** (excellent info about the application process itself)



Entrance Requirements

- * Required **subjects**
- * **Grades** requirements
- * **Entrance test** (e.g. LNAT)
- * **Non academic requirements**, e.g. work experience
- * **Interviews**

59% Applicants receiving offers 



You may also need to...



Attend an interview



Present a portfolio

Modules?

Year	Term	Status	Module	Credits	FHEQ level
3	Autumn Semester	Core	Criminological Case Studies (L5105)	30	6
		Option	Attention: Distraction, daydreaming and diversity (C8895)	15	6
			Biological Psychology of Mental Health (C8504)	15	6
			Caring and Helping: the Psychology of Concern and Commitment (C8014)	15	6
			Cognitive Neuroscience (C8517)	15	6
			Contemporary Topics in Child Development and Wellbeing (C8851)	15	6
			Health Psychology (C8017)	15	6
			How Children Learn to Communicate (C8823)	15	6
			Intelligence in Animals and Machines (C1118)	15	6
			Living Well: Exploring Self-Focus (C8852)	15	6
			People and Planet: Psychology and Climate Change (C8834)	15	6
			Perspectives on Psychology (C8840)	15	6
			Psychology of Appetite (C8839)	15	6
			Psychology of Crowds and Collective Action (C8817)	15	6
			Psychology of the Family: Beyond Attachment (C8549)	15	6
			Science of Memory (C8853)	15	6
			Self Regulation: The Science of Achieving Your Goals (C8894)	15	6
			The Psychology of Exercise and Wellbeing (C8849)	15	6

Year three (Level 6) modules

- Dissertation: Design and preregistration
- Dissertation: Research report
- Developmental Psychology
- Advanced Cognitive and Biological Psychology
- Counselling Psychology
- Clinical Neuropsychology
- Social Psychology of Peace and Conflict
- Applied Behavioural Psychology
- Evolutionary Neuroscience and the Origin of the Human Mind
- Child and Adolescent Neuropsychology
- Psychology of sexual health
- Animal behaviour
- Somatics for Performance and Wellbeing
- Publishing Industry Project
- Music Psychology – applied and experimental

- * These are **two different Psychology degrees**.
- * You will most likely have **mandatory modules** you have to do but will have **optional modules** – ones you can choose.
- * They can be very different. Make sure you are likely to enjoy the modules on the course you choose

Points or Grades?

- * Some universities ask for grades, e.g. **Chemistry at Oxford** requires **A*A*A**
- * Some ask for **points**, e.g. **Chemistry at Brighton** requires **96 points (CCC)**
- * Points are calculated using the **UCAS Tariff**
- * The **UCAS Tariff** also gives details of the points allocated to **L3 BTEC** qualifications.
- * These are **BOTH Chemistry degrees**.

A-levels or BTEC

Entry requirements are in the range of A-level BCC-CCC (104-96 UCAS Tariff points), or BTEC Extended Diploma DMM-MMM. Our conditional offers typically fall within this range.

A-levels must include chemistry at grade C. BTEC must be applied science including a minimum of four chemistry units.

- GCE: Good grades at GCSE are expected, especially in science and mathematics. Three A-levels are required, which must include Chemistry and Mathematics. The standard conditional offer at present is **A*A*A**. Both A* should be in science or mathematics. If a practical component forms part of any of your science A-levels, we expect you to pass it.

A level UCAS Tariff

A levels		
A*	56	(equiv D* at BTEC Sub Dip)
A	48	
B	40	
C	32	(28 is A* for EPQ)
D	24	(20 points is A at AS level)
E	16	

AS levels (40% A level)		
A	20	
B	16	
C	12	
D	10	
E	6	

Extended Project (higher tariff than AS)		
A*	28	
A	24	
B	20	
C	16	
D	12	
E	8	

BTEC UCAS Tariff

And their equivalents at full A level

BTEC Certificate		
D*	28	(C/D)
D	24	
M	16	(E)
P	8	

BTEC Subsidiary Diploma		
D*	56	(A*)
D	48	(A)
M	32	(C)
P	16	(E)

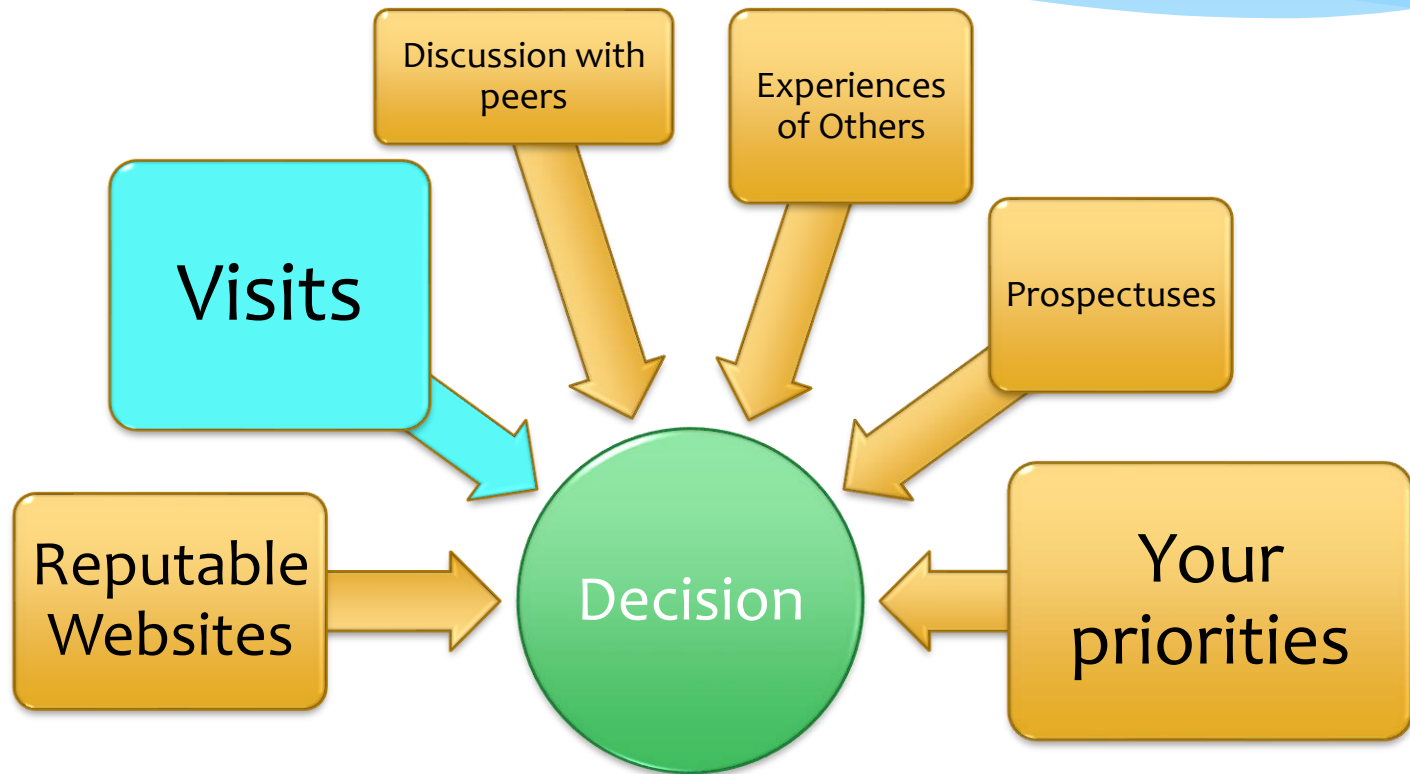
BTEC Diploma		
D*D*	112	(A*A*)
D*D	104	(BBD)
DD	96	(AA)
DM	80	
MM	64	
MP	48	(DD)
PP	32	

BTEC Extended Diploma		
D*D*D*	168	(A*A*A*)
D*D*D	160	
D*DD	152	
DDD	144	
DDM	128	(ABB)
DMM	112	
MMM	96	(CCC)
MMP	80	(BB)
MPP	64	
PPP	48	

There are lots of online UCAS calculators – try googling them

Choosing a University?

Do your research!



Things you might think about

City or Green Campus



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Things you might think about

Near or Far



VS



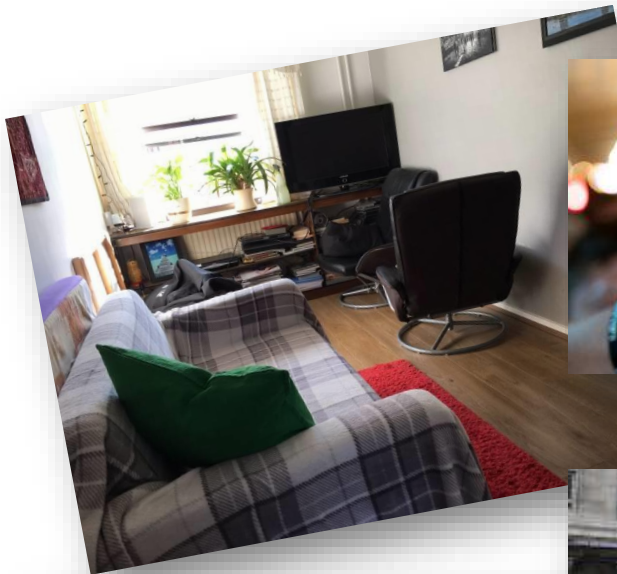
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What about the facilities



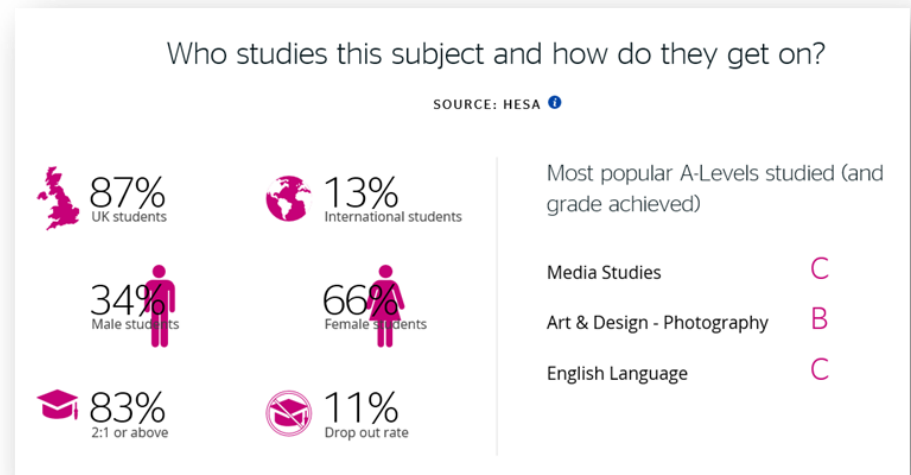
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Cost of living – north vs south



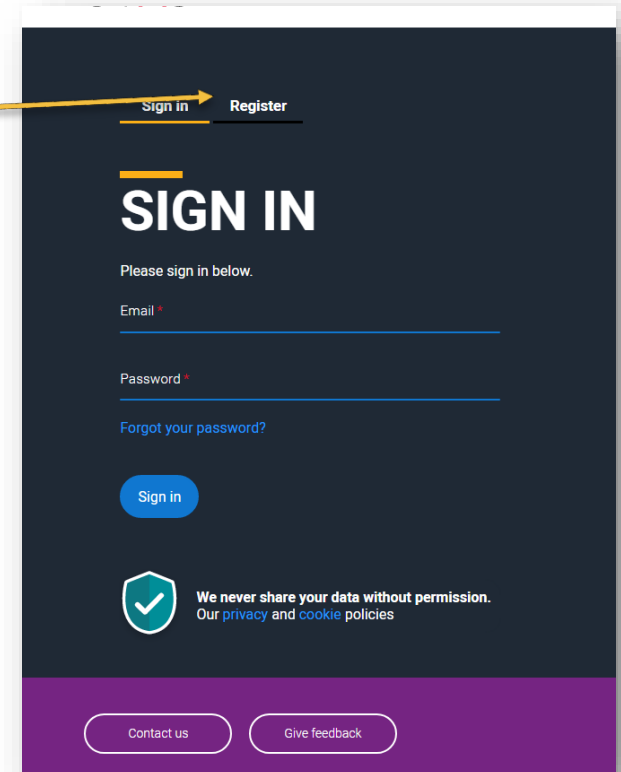
Other factors

- * **Scholarships and bursaries**
- * **Support services**
- * **Student mix** state school / private / mature international students / diversity



UCAS Hub – sign up

- * When you sign up use your **own non-college email** and try to make sure it is sensible!
- * **Register a new account**
- * [Sign in | UCAS](#)
- * There is loads of useful info about careers, open days, events
- * It is **THE MOST important account** you will have



The image shows a screenshot of the UCAS Hub sign-in page. At the top, there are two links: "Sign in" and "Register". An orange arrow points from the "Register" link to the text "Register a new account" in the list on the left. Below the links, the heading "SIGN IN" is displayed. Underneath, it says "Please sign in below." followed by input fields for "Email" and "Password", each with a red asterisk indicating a required field. There is a link for "Forgot your password?". A blue "Sign in" button is located below the password field. At the bottom of the sign-in section, there is a green checkmark icon and the text "We never share your data without permission. Our [privacy](#) and [cookie policies](#)". The footer of the page contains two links: "Contact us" and "Give feedback".