

CHOOSING A UNIVERSITY AND A COURSE

SUITABLE COURSE



WHAT TOPICS DO I WANT MY DEGREE TO INCLUDE?

This may be specific modules you want, techniques you would like to learn, or research you want to conduct. What do you enjoy, both inside and outside of school/college?



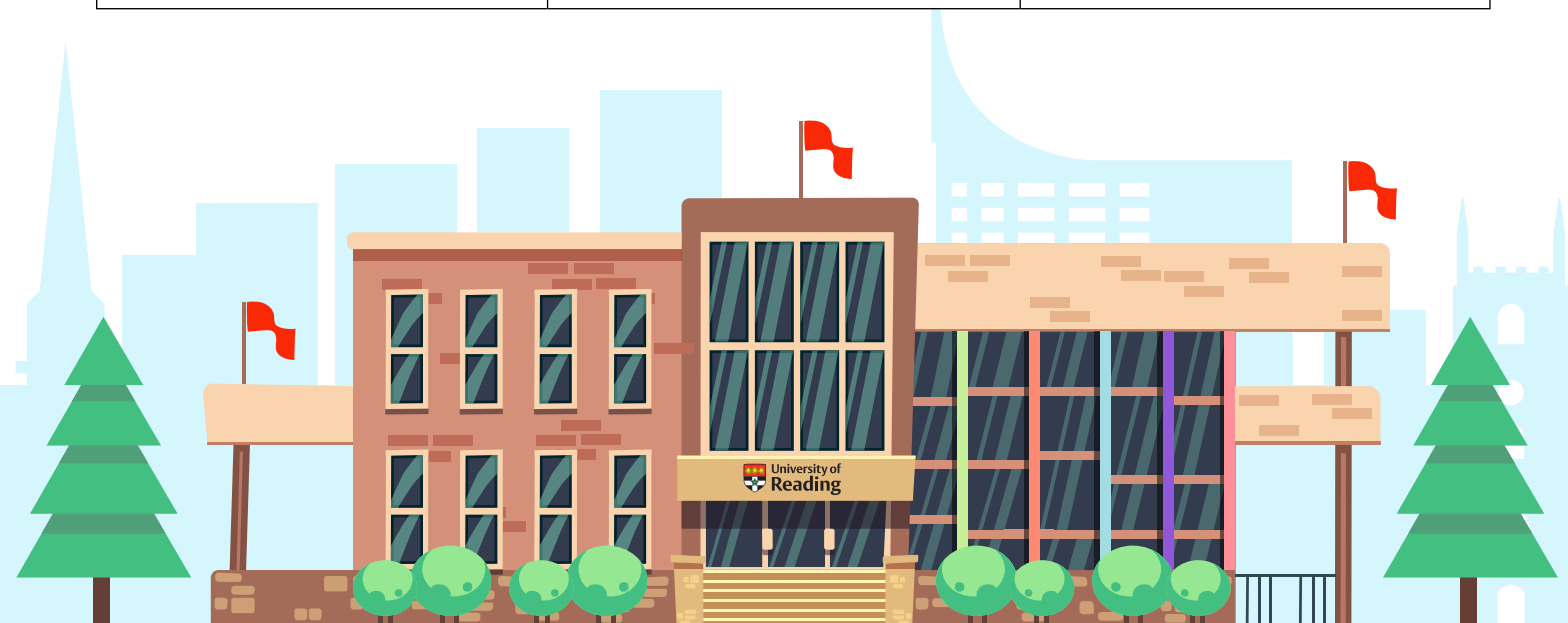
WHAT OPPORTUNITIES DO I WANT?

Do you want to study abroad, do a placement year, get a local job while studying? Is joining a sports club, or music society important? What other interests do you have?



WHICH SUBJECTS MIGHT AFFECT MY CAREER?

Is there a specific job you want? Which subjects did you choose for your GCSEs, and which did you choose for A Level/BTEC?



REALISTIC REQUIREMENTS

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS DO I HAVE/WILL I HAVE WHEN I APPLY?

Many courses will have GCSE and experience requirements. What do you think you might need to have done to study your desired subject?

DO I HAVE WORK EXPERIENCE OR A PORTFOLIO?

Have you done any work experience/ had a job that might look good on your application?

TOP TIPS

Some universities use UCAS tariff points in their entry requirements, whereas other universities will ask for A level grades. Make sure you know which qualifications you are studying, how many A levels they are equivalent to, and how many tariff points they are worth.

GREAT LOCATION

WHAT TYPE OF UNIVERSITY DO I WANT TO GO TO?

Campus? City? What's important for the place where I'll live?

HOW FAR DO YOU WANT TO TRAVEL?

Some people prefer to commute or stay local, others want to be far away!

WHAT KIND OF LOCATION INTERESTS YOU?

Would you prefer a big city, a town with open spaces, or somewhere more rural?