

HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT UNIVERSITY:

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KEY FACTORS THAT GUIDE YOUR DECISION

You want to go to university but with so many options available it's hard to know where to even start.

This six-step guide is here to help you make the right decision.

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GOALS & INTERESTS



Your starting point is a bit of introspection! Think about your interests, abilities and goals. Consider what you're passionate about and what you're good at. It's also okay if you haven't decided on a career path yet – you're certainly not alone. Just remember to play to your strengths and choose subjects that align with your career goals.

It's essential that your chosen university is a good fit for you and offers a programme that you're interested in. In addition, consider factors like admission requirements, your Applicant Score (AS), and if you can get work experience as you study.

DO YOUR RESEARCH

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Look through our [quick guides](#) to learn more about our courses per faculty:



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CONSIDER COSTS



University is expensive. In addition to the cost of your tuition, if you attend a university that's far from home, then you'll need to factor in other costs, such as accommodation, transport, food, data and general living expenses.

Consider looking for various financial aid options, as well as any bursaries or scholarships offered, before starting your studies. These could assist in offsetting the costs of your studies and other related expenses.

You'll spend at least three years at your university, so think about the type of place you want to live in – whether it's a big, busy city with a diverse student body or a quieter, smaller campus with a more tight-knit community atmosphere.

LOCATION

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It's also important to consider where you'll be staying and how you'll get around. Is there public transport or a university shuttle service? Think about the proximity of your chosen university to the rest of the town or city.

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SUPPORT & RESOURCES



For many students this is the first time they've left home and the security of family and friends – and this can feel a little overwhelming. In addition, it can be challenging to adjust to the new responsibilities of university life.

Find a support network to help you make the most of your university life, so that you can reach your full potential. From learning and development to counselling and health services, it's important to choose a university that you feel will support you.

Find out more about our [support network](#).

It's always worth visiting your chosen university – but only if you can. Open Days are an ideal opportunity to talk to current staff and students, as well as to learn more about all that they offer. If you are not able to, or if you have missed their Open Days, consider looking online for virtual tours, or other digital options to provide you with an overview.

Discover our [Open Days](#), [virtual tours](#), [videos](#) and [galleries](#).

OPEN DAYS & VIRTUAL TOURS

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