

Progression

Tutorial 3: Researching

Employment/ Apprenticeships

- At some point all of you will need to look for employment!

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships normally pay below the minimum wage as your employer is paying to train you and provide you with education to get a recognised qualification

Research:

- – Gov.uk website is really good and has local apprenticeships.
- Or look on MOODLE we have listed the top 100 apprenticeship providers for you.
- Or search on a companies website – search for “name of business” and “apprenticeships”
- Some can be found on employment websites – indeed.com etc.

Find an Apprenticeship – GOV.UK

Find an apprenticeship

Search and apply for an apprenticeship in England

Search [Browse](#)

Keywords (optional)
Can include job title, employer or reference number

All

Your location
Enter postcode, town or city or [use current location](#)

Within
5 miles

Apprenticeship level
All levels

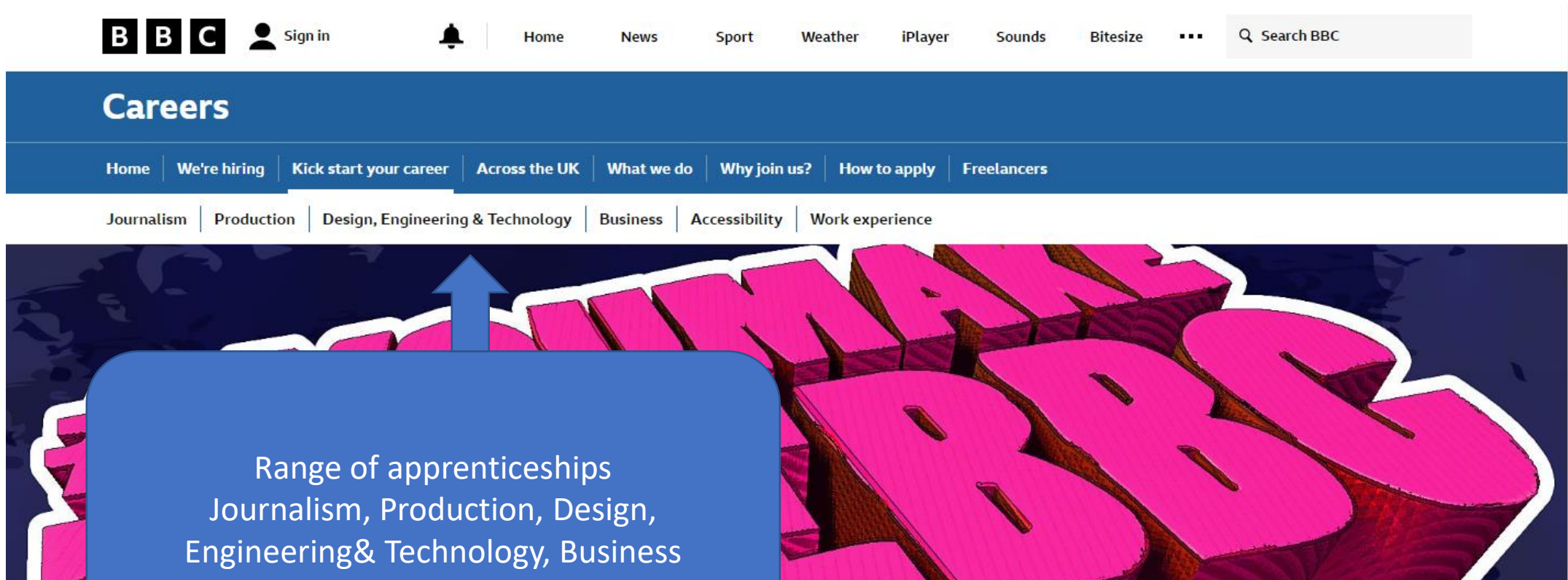
are suitable for you, start the tour here.

Level
Intermediate is GCSE level if it is a practical course you might have to start here
Advanced- you should be aiming at these at least
Higher and degree level normally need A levels first

Add a key word – it should be the job role e.g. vet nurse but could be more general construction, business

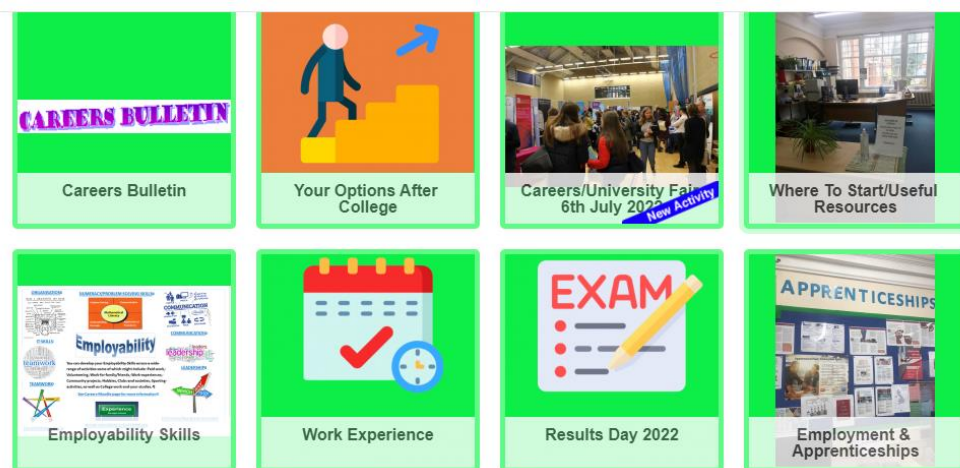
You need to put in your postcode – as you will need to know how far it is away from home. You can search the whole of England
For the miles be realistic – how far do you travel now – will you be able to drive? I would suggest 15miles min

“BBC” and “Apprenticeships” name of business and Apprenticeship



The image shows a screenshot of the BBC Careers website. At the top, the BBC logo is on the left, followed by a 'Sign in' button and a notification bell. The main navigation menu includes links for Home, News, Sport, Weather, iPlayer, Sounds, Bitesize, and a search bar labeled 'Search BBC'. Below this is a blue 'Careers' header with sub-links: Home, We're hiring, Kick start your career, Across the UK, What we do, Why join us?, How to apply, and Freelancers. A secondary navigation bar lists categories: Journalism, Production, Design, Engineering & Technology, Business, Accessibility, and Work experience. The main content area features a large graphic of the word 'APPRENTICESHIPS' in 3D pink letters. A blue callout box with a white border and a blue arrow pointing to the 'APPRENTICESHIPS' text contains the following text:

Range of apprenticeships
Journalism, Production, Design,
Engineering & Technology, Business



Careers Moodle page

Employment & Apprenticeships

Find out about employment and apprenticeships, full and part time jobs. Also information on creating your CV and Degree Apprenticeships

APPRENTICESHIPS/FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT



←Click here for details about companies

offering employment & apprenticeships-A-Z

APPRENTICESHIPS BY JOB ROLE

-  1. Nursing Apprenticeships 2022
-  2. Midwifery Apprenticeships 2022
-  3. Veterinary Apprenticeships 2022
-  4. Legal Apprenticeships 2022
-  5. Journalism Apprenticeships 2022
-  6. Architecture Apprenticeships 2022
-  7. Accountancy Apprenticeships 2022
-  8. Textiles Apprenticeships and Training 2022

APPRENTICESHIPS/EMPLOYMENT BY SUBJECT

-  APPRENTICESHIPS/FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT
-  Rate My Apprenticeship: A Guide to Career Options 2022 Electronic copy

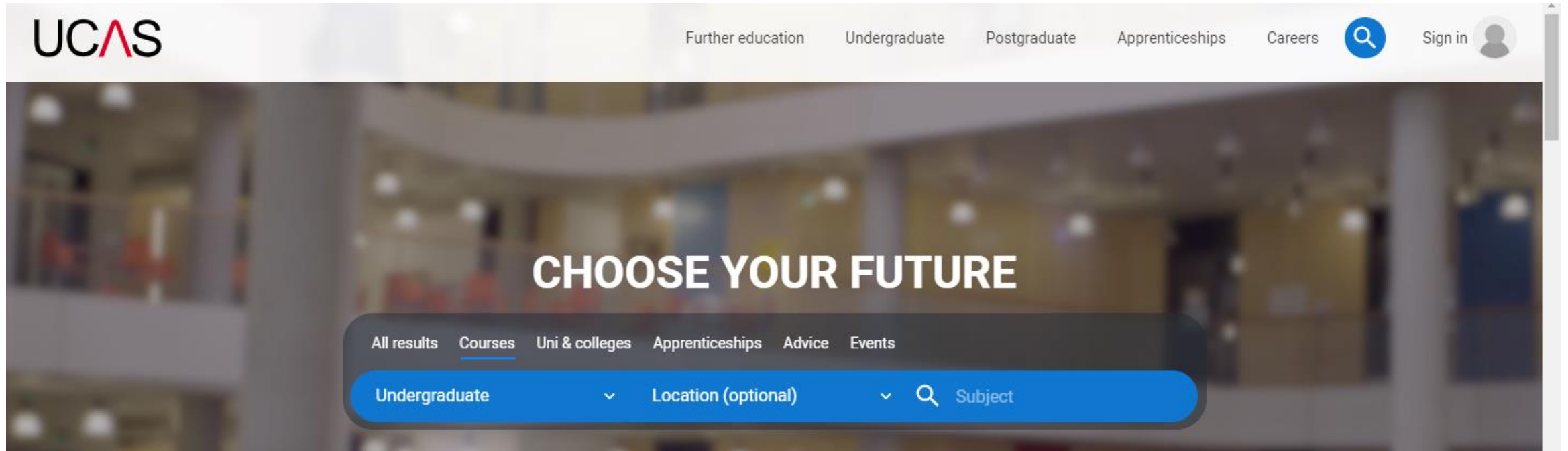
Not sure what to do

- Don't close options too soon. Research all options. Research employment and university
- No one will decide for you! 😊
- Do an online career finder quiz – [Kudos](#), [UCAS](#), [National Careers service](#)
- Speak to your parents/guardians
- Come for a careers appointment 😊 you can find us at the back of the library on the first floor of the main building

University research

- The best way is to research the course/subject you want to study first
- Use the UCAS HUB [explore subjects](#) – in July we are having talks from universities about certain subjects so do your preparation now.
- Once you know what course you are looking at do a course search in UCAS – this will show you which universities do your course. – check what topics they teach you to see if it interests you. You can narrow the results by using the filter (you want undergraduate courses)([UCAS points](#) can be found in the HUB)

UCAS course search



I would not put in a location at this point but you must put in a subject – this can be specific (genetics) or more general (science)

Filters

The screenshot shows a dark-themed filter interface for course selection. On the left, a teal sidebar contains a back arrow and the word 'DONE'. The main area is titled 'Course type and year' with a 'Clear filters' link. Below the title, instructions state: 'Select the year you'd like to study, and the type of course you're interested in to filter your results.' The filter options are arranged in several rows: 'Undergraduate' (highlighted in pink), 'Postgraduate', '2021-2022', '2022-2023' (highlighted in pink), and '2023-2024'. A separate row contains 'Teacher training courses in Scotland and Wales'. Below this, a section for 'for the course you're interested in.' lists months from 'Sep 2022' to 'Jul 2023'. The final row includes 'Full-time' (highlighted in pink), 'Accelerated', 'Part-time/flexible', 'Distance learning', and 'Degree Apprenticeship'. To the right of the filter interface is a map of Europe with numerous red location pins concentrated in the British Isles and parts of Western Europe. Labels on the map include Faroe Islands, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, France, and Switzerland.

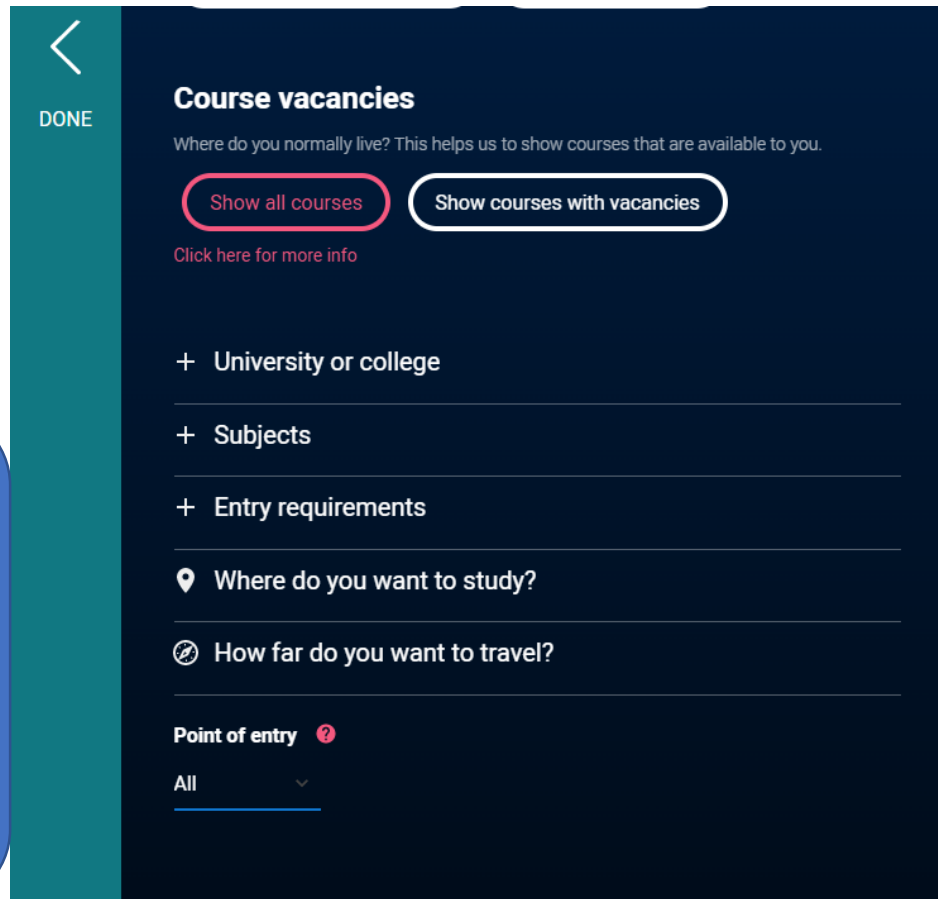
Undergraduate
2022-23

Full time
(accelerated is an option for some courses – you do 2 not 3 years but do not get long breaks)

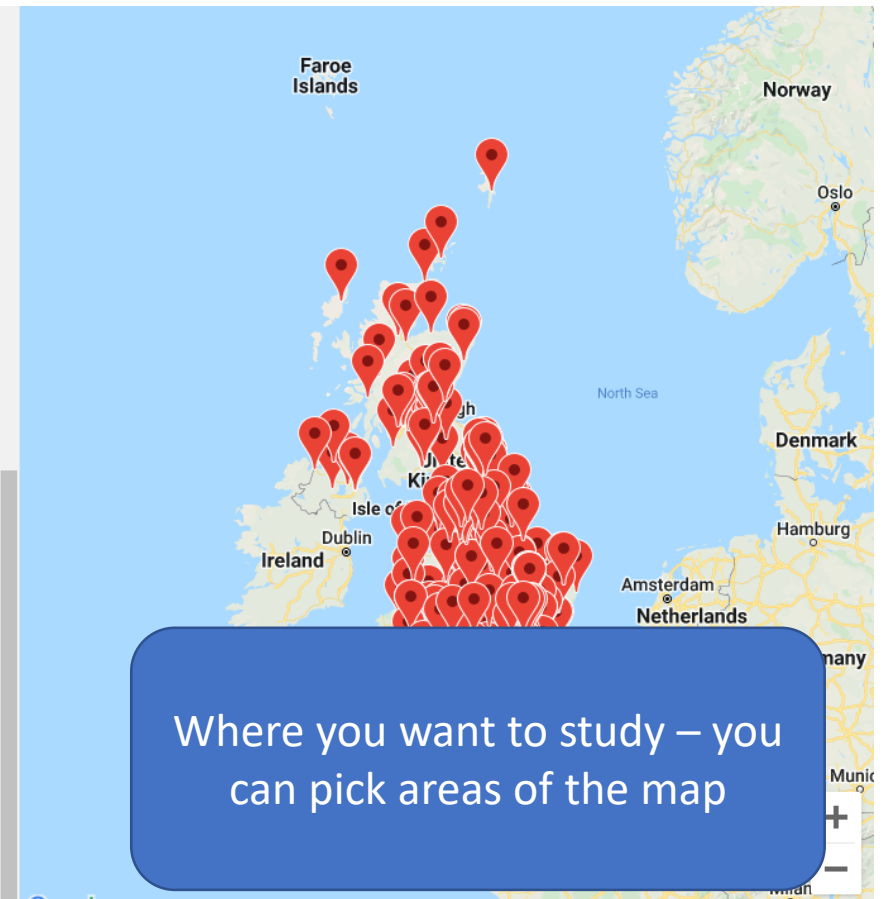
Filters

Redefine the subject

Add in your expected UCAS points – normally only reduce from the top not from the bottom



The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for finding course vacancies. At the top left, there is a back arrow and the word "DONE". The main heading is "Course vacancies". Below this, a subtitle reads: "Where do you normally live? This helps us to show courses that are available to you." There are two buttons: "Show all courses" (highlighted with a red border) and "Show courses with vacancies" (highlighted with a white border). Below the buttons is a link: "Click here for more info". The interface features several filter categories, each with a plus sign and a text label: "University or college", "Subjects", "Entry requirements", "Where do you want to study?", and "How far do you want to travel?". At the bottom, there is a "Point of entry" section with a red question mark icon and a dropdown menu currently set to "All".



The map shows Europe with numerous red location pins concentrated in the British Isles and Scandinavia. Labels on the map include "Faroe Islands", "Norway", "Oslo", "Denmark", "Hamburg", "Netherlands", "Amsterdam", "Ireland", "Dublin", "Isle of", "Ki", "Jh", "North Sea", and "Munic". A blue callout box at the bottom of the map contains the text: "Where you want to study – you can pick areas of the map".

UCAS Points

- To calculate your UCAS points you need to know your predicted grades.
- Predicted grades come from your subject teachers. They are based on your assessments, including other tests you have had throughout the year and might factor in that you might be able to improve. Teachers are very good at predicting grades.
- If you are a B grade student – well done – but don't expect to be predicted an A. If you have been a consistent B you need to bare in mind Year 2 is normally more difficult.
- We fully understand it might limit where you are applying to go to university. You need to be aware that we have 1000 students applying to go to university every year and you need universities to be able to rely on our predictions. Also if you are predicted an A without merit and are really B grade student then the university might give you a conditional offer on getting an A – when you don't get the A, top end universities rarely lower grades (they don't need to as lots of students want to go there) and so you will not be placed on results day.
- Consider applying to a university that you will be the top of the class and so will get the top mark for your degree (1st Class) rather than go to a slightly better university and get a lower grade.

University Open days – organised visit

- I strongly suggest you at least do an online tour of the universities that you apply to (see the individual university website). I see lots of students who have never visited the university but are convinced they want to go – you have to study there for 3 years
- Universities all have open days – like our induction day where you go to visit and there are talks for different subjects and you are shown accommodation etc. opendays.com have a list most occur on a Saturday (please don't use the excuse I work on a Saturday – as previously stated you will be living there for 3 years)

Local ones:

- University of Essex (Colchester): 18 June, 17 September
- Anglia Ruskin University (Chelmsford and Cambridge) : 11 June
- University of East Anglia (Norwich) : 2 July, 10 September
- University of Suffolk(Ipswich: 2 July

“Best” University

- There is no “best” university – it depends on your requirements for your university education. Don’t be led down a path to a particular university- do your own research.

But for your information:

- There is Oxford university and Cambridge university (OXBRIDGE) –you can only write one Personal Statement and it MUST be tailored to Oxbridge. You need outstanding GCSE grades as well.
- There are [Russell group universities](#) –If you want a practical based course or you want to study a subject that is small at the university they might not be the best to go to as they might not have the up to date resources and contacts that other universities do. They also demand very high grades – but it is not because they are always better it’s just more students want to go so they limit places with high grades. Some professions like Law will look to recruit from Russell group universities.
- There are university guides – most are based on the research that the university does and not on the quality of teaching. [The complete university guide](#), [The guardian university guide](#), [the times university guide](#).

Now do some research

