

Choosing

a course.

There are over 50,000 courses available to apply to at UK universities via UCAS and lots of ways to choose the right course for you. You'll be studying your degree for a minimum of 3 years so it is important that you make an informed choice and that you have an interest in the course you choose.

Subject

- What are you currently studying?
- What subjects do you really enjoy?
- Research what is taught on the degree, the same subject can differ from university to university.
- The 'undergraduate' pages of university webpages are a great place to start.

Styles of teaching

- Consider which style of teaching and learning you are most suited to.
- Different subjects are taught in different ways at university, you can research how degrees are delivered on university webpages.
- Don't forget to look for tutor led learning, lab time, presentations, group work, independent projects and timetabled lectures.

Careers

- Your career aspirations may determine the degree you will study at university.
- Some professions require a certain degree. What degree is that?
- Research your dream job by speaking to staff at school and university.
- Engage in conversation on open days and taster lectures.

Entry requirements

- Three A Levels (or equivalent)
- Entrance requirements will be different from university to university and from course to course.
- Some degrees will require you to be studying certain subjects, some won't.
- At the University of Sheffield many of our academic departments make a reduced offer to applicants taking an EPQ in a subject area relevant to the chosen degree course and is completed alongside three A Levels.

You can apply to **5 courses** through UCAS, use your choice wisely. Don't be afraid to make aspirational choices, where the entrance requirements may be a grade or two above your predictions, but balance this by also applying to courses with entrance requirements that are closer to your predicted grades.