Choosing your course and University

A guide to finding the right options for you

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The aims of this session

- To identify the range of resources available to help you decide on the right course

- To show that it is important to select the course and then the university will follow

- To give one example of a strategy to help you choose

Choosing your course

All degrees lead somewhere

- Career focussed programmes

- Programmes with a wider focus

- Non-career focussed pathways

- **All** can lead to successful careers
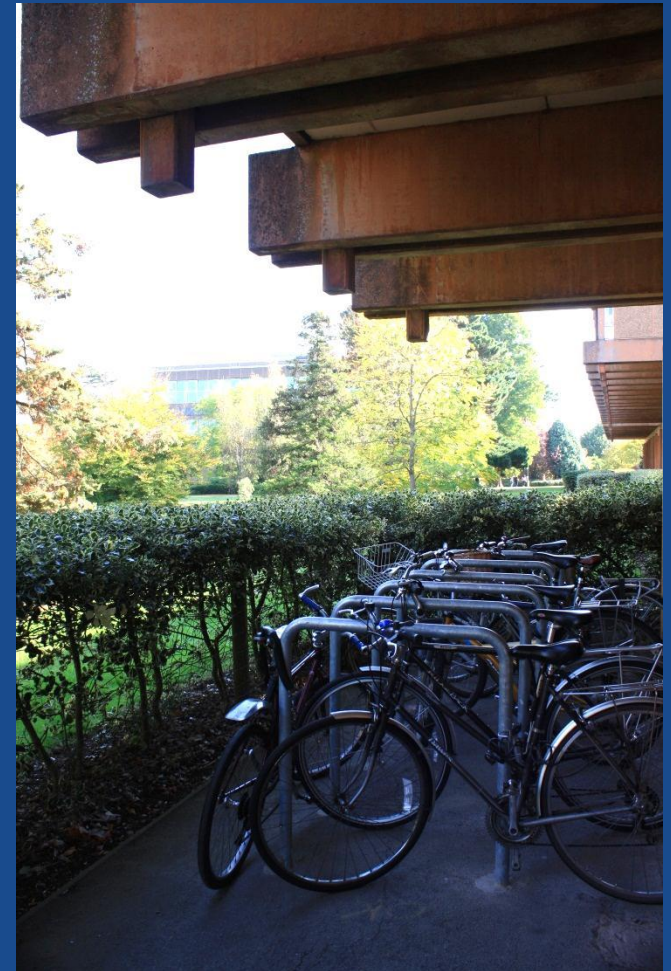
Key decisions

- What Course?

- Why?

Key Decisions

- University Reputation

- Location

Key decisions

- Campus or city

- Price?

Finding the courses

- Request a prospectus (online is environmentally better!)

- Individual university websites

Identify your key requirements

- Subject?

- University?

- Reputation?

- Location?

- Price?

The Table

◆Cost
10 – 1:
1 is most
expensive

◆Location
1-5 : 5 is
best

◆Facilities
1-10:
10 is best

◆Sports 1-3:
3 is best

◆Module
Options
2-10 : 10 is
most
available

Course	Entry Reqs	Cost score	Location score	Facility score	Sports score	Modules	Total
Marketing 1	BBB	6	5	8	3	6	28
Marketing 2	ABB	5	5	4	2	2	18
Business Studies 1	AAB	2	2	6	1	3	14
Accounting & Finance 1	ABB	5	2	4	1	4	16
Business Studies 2	BBB	8	3	7	1	5	24
Marketing 3	ABC	2	5	3	2	3	15
Accounting & Finance 2	BBC	8	3	8	3	2	23
Marketing 4	AAA	1	2	9	3	4	19

After the table

- Check your results – would you really be happy at your top 3?

- Find out as much as you can about your top 3

- Apply to 5 (this includes PG)

- Be confident in **your** findings

- Your table will not match others

Useful Websites:

http://unistats.direct.gov.uk/

www/ucas.ac.uk

www.hotcourses.com

www.qaa.ac.uk

www.rae.ac.uk

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