



# CHOOSING THE RIGHT OPTION FOR YOU

How do you pick the right university and course for you? Some students fear that they may make the wrong choice when it comes to picking what to study.

Below we have broken this down into the 4 C's of key things to consider.



## CAREER

- It is important to consider how the course you choose will help you achieve your future career ambitions—think long term!
- There are some jobs and careers (like a Teacher, Solicitor, and Nurse) that require you to study a specific accredited course.
- However, many graduate jobs require candidates to have degree without specifying a particular subject, so finding a subject you enjoy that also develops your transferable skills is important!



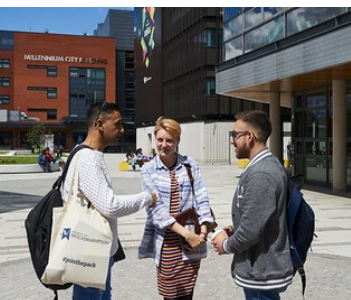
## COURSE

- Think about the subjects that you enjoy in school or college. It is important to pick something you are interested in and feel passionate about, to study at university.
- Work out whether the qualifications you are working towards will allow you to meet the entry requirements for the course.
- Try searching for a course using a key word (like 'Psychology') to explore related courses, for example Sports and Criminal Psychology.



## CITY

- Initially you should consider whether you want to live away from home whilst you study or stay local—both are good options.
- Think about whether you would prefer to attend university in a busy city like London or Birmingham, or would you prefer somewhere smaller and quieter.
- It is important to also think about your living costs, this includes rent, socialising, and travel.



## CAMPUS

- Do research to find out if there is a university that specialises in your subject area, this might mean they have access to specialist equipment and workspaces.
- Attend an open day to get a feel of whether you could see yourself studying at that university, meet the course tutors, see the social spaces, and discover what facilities are available.