

Why go to university and choosing a university and a course

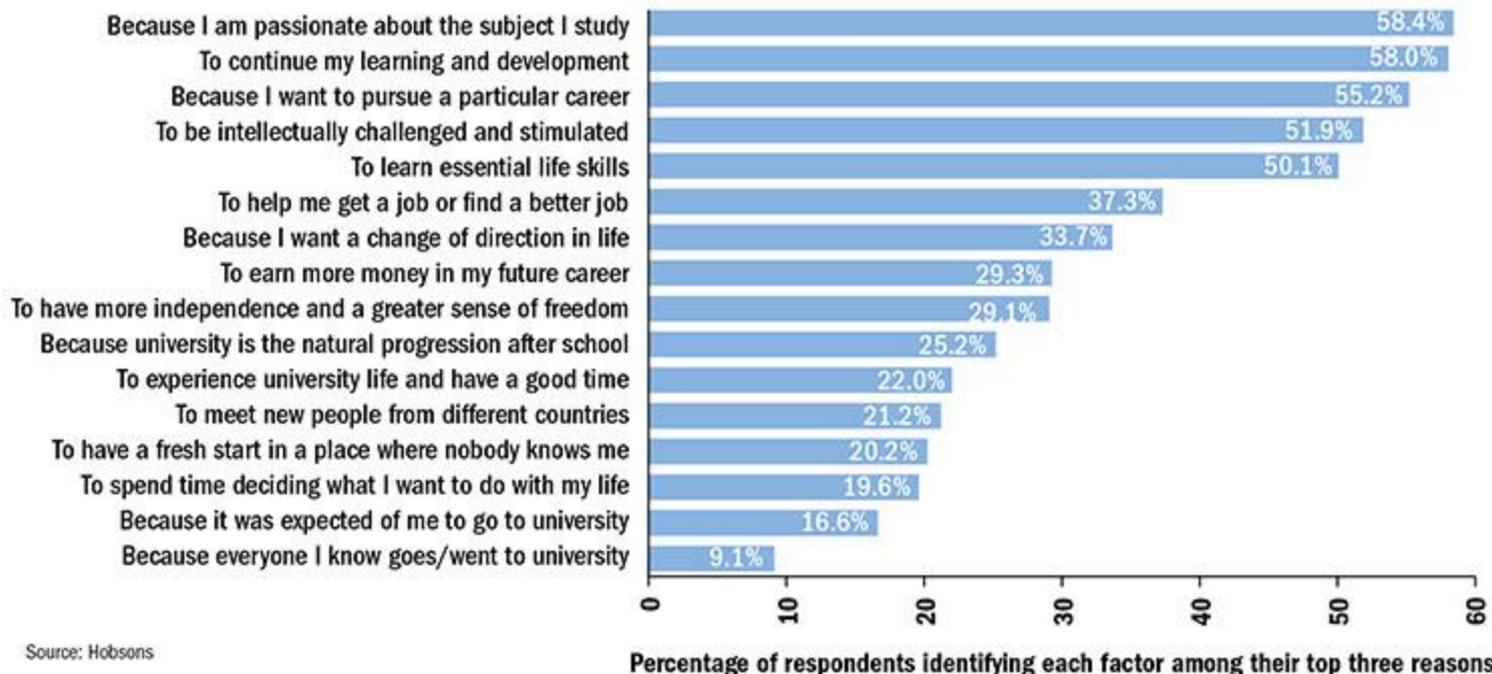


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WHAT ARE/WERE YOUR MOST IMPORTANT REASONS FOR WANTING TO GO TO UNIVERSITY?



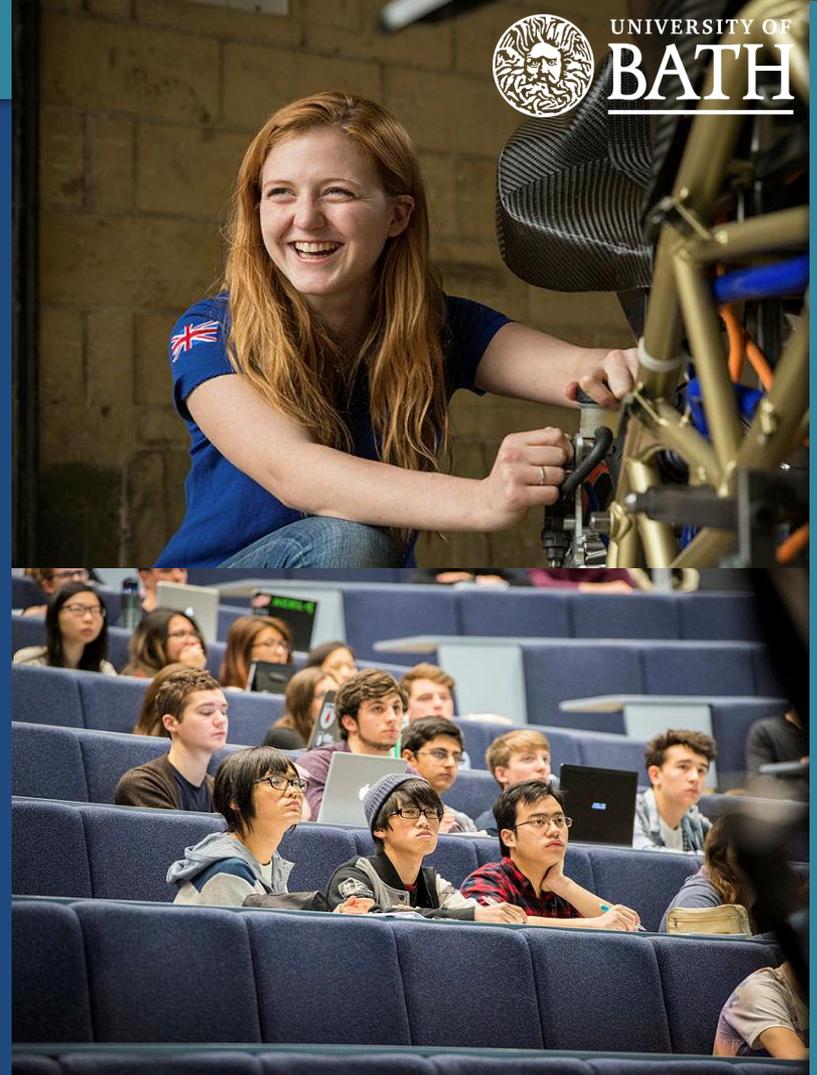
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Why go to university?

Study a
subject
you love

Study a subject you love

- Continue with your favourite subject
- In depth study of a subject you're passionate about
- An opportunity to build on your current subject choices and study something new



Viticulture &
Oenology

Sports and Exercise Science

Ethical Hacking

Medicine

Adventure Education

Surf Science & Technology

International Management

Over 50,000 courses

Geography

Brewing & Distilling

Equestrian Psychology and Sports Science

Biology

Yacht Operations

Physics

Politics and International Relations

History

Outdoor & Adventurous Activities

Applied Golf Management

Hand Embroidery

Psychology

Viking Studies



Subject areas at The University of Bath



Accounting and finance
Architecture
Biosciences
Business and management
Chemistry
Chemical engineering
Civil engineering
Computer science
Criminology
Economics
Education
Electronic and electrical engineering
Integrated mechanical and electrical engineering

International development
Mathematical sciences
Mechanical engineering
Modern languages
Natural sciences
Pharmacology
Pharmacy
Physics
Politics
Psychology
Social work
Sociology, social policy and social sciences
Sports, exercise and health

Many opportunities as an undergraduate



Placements: work in industry for up to 12 months during your degree

- Try out a career path you have in mind
- Gain valuable work experience
- Enhance your employability

Study abroad: academic exchange

- close links with other world leading universities facilitate international collaboration
- Gain experience of different ways of teaching and learning



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Career choices

Others don't, but still require a degree!

Career	Degree
Investment banking	Maths, Economics, Accounting, Finance, Physics, History, IT, Politics.....
Public relations	Marketing, Politics, Social Sciences, Business, Management, Media Studies, English and Creative writing.....
Information technology consultant	Science, Engineering, Maths, Computer science, Business, Marketing, Humanities..
Teaching	You can study a wide range of undergraduate degrees, and then study further to become a teacher.
Law	You can study a wide range of undergraduate degrees, and then study further to towards a career in law



What if I don't have a career in mind?



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BATH

Don't panic!

BSc Biology

Biological Technician/Assistant
Genetic councillor
Quality assurance
Environmental management
Data scientist
Physicians associate

Consultant
Microbiologist
Health educator
Public relations
Financial analyst
Publishing
Media and Journalism

Medicine
Biotechnologist
Laboratory Research Scientist
Communications, Government and Policy
Teaching
Project management
Patent and intellectual property lawyer

Entrepreneurship/Business
Outreach Officer
Sales and marketing
Drug discovery



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Develop your skill set

Life Skills

- **Budgeting and money management**
(responsibility)
- **Domestic skills**
(organisation skills)
- **Independence**
- **Time management**
(multi-tasking, prioritising, organisation)



Develop your skill set

- **Research and analysis**
(finding information, thinking critically, numerical data analysis)
- **Communication**
(presenting information – written and spoken, social skills and networking)
- **Teamwork and independent working**
- **Problem solving**
(logical thinking)

And many more!



All universities have **Student Support Services**, including academic support



- **Personal Tutor** – Lecturer from your department who provides academic and personal mentoring
- **Peer to Peer mentors**
- **Disabilities** – Grants, specialist equipment and alternative exam arrangements are available to suit individual needs
- **Academic skills services** – Maths support, writing support, Languages, presentation skills..
- **Careers support**
- **Counselling and mental health**
- **Wellbeing support**



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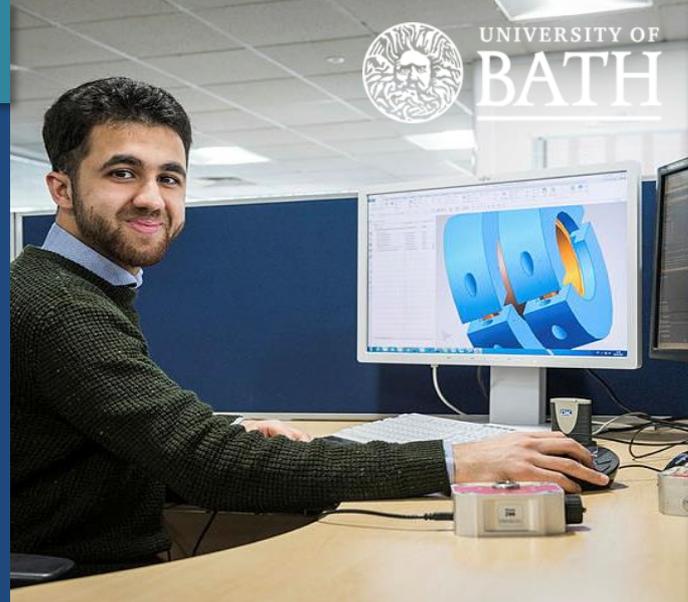
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Earning Potential

The median salary for working-age graduates was £35,000 in 2020. **This was £9,500 more than non-graduates (£25,500)**

In 2020, the employment rate for working-age graduates – those aged 16 to 64 – was 86.4%, and for non-graduates it was 71.3%.

<https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/graduate-labour-markets>



Highest average starting salary upon graduation?

£23,000

£26,000

£30,000

£28,000

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A great opportunity to try something new!

Wide range of activities

- Clubs and societies. Sports, Arts, Departmental, Ethical & Political, Faith & Cultural, Recreational
- Volunteering

Outside of University

- Shops, pubs, clubs, cinemas, music, festivals

Something for Everyone!



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An opportunity to move to a new location

- Explore a new places which offer something different to home

Independence and freedom

- Living with friends and/or course mates

Meet people from all over the world

- A great way to learn about different countries and cultures



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Have fun!

Earning potential

The experience

Experience somewhere new

Social Life



Choosing a university and a course



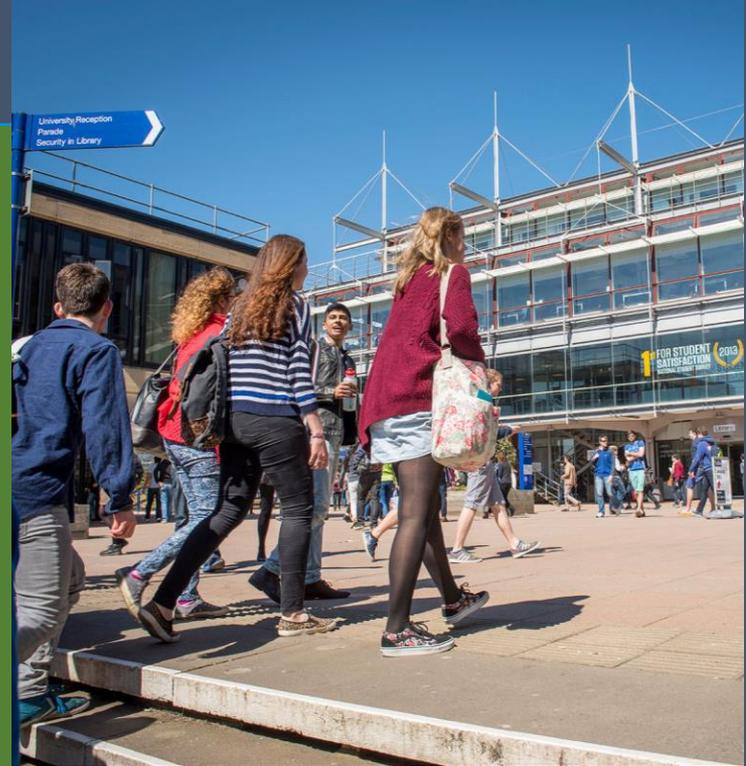
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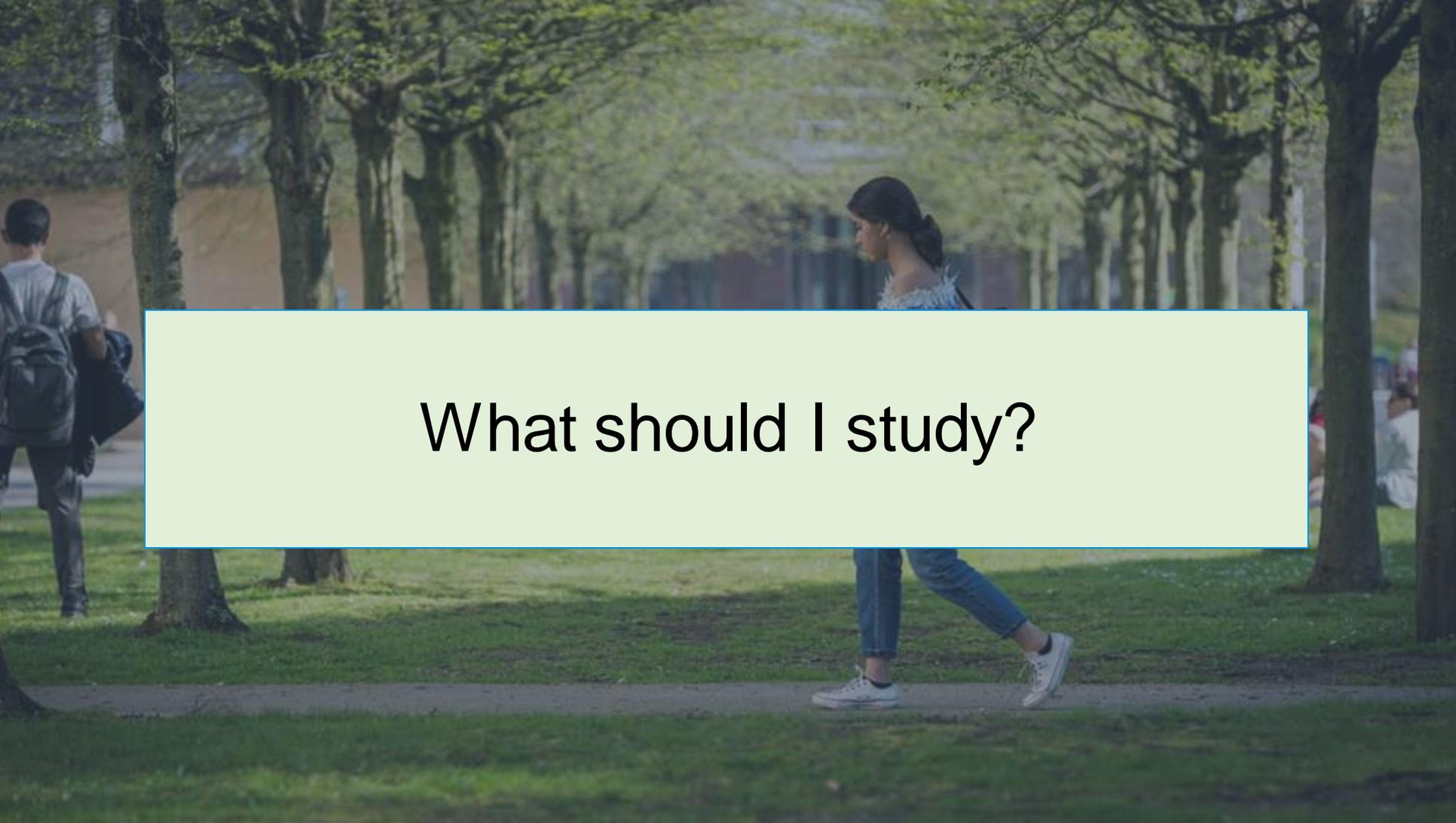
In the UK:

50,000+ courses

395 providers

- Bachelors Degrees
- Undergraduate masters
- Foundation degrees
- Degree apprenticeships



A young woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a light blue off-the-shoulder top, blue jeans, and white sneakers, is walking on a paved path. To her left, a young man with a backpack is walking away. The background features a row of trees with green leaves and a building. A white text box is overlaid on the image.

What should I study?

Choosing a course

Where to start?

- Your favourite subject at school/college
- Your most successful subject
- What interests you most
- Plans after university



What can you study?

One of your A-Levels?	Something new or interdisciplinary?	A vocational course?
History	American Studies	Heritage Studies
Biology	Natural Sciences	Wildlife Management
Chemistry	Pharmacology	Medicine
Physics	Mechanical Engineering	Construction Engineering Management
French	International Management and Modern Languages	French and Translation
Sociology	Gender Studies	Social Work



What can you study?

Pretty much any course you can think of is on offer somewhere, including:

- **Applied Golf Management Studies (University of Birmingham)**
- **Cartoon & Comic Arts (Staffordshire University)**
- **Equine Behaviour, Health and Welfare (Nottingham Trent University)**
- **Viking and Old Norse Studies (University College London)**



Research





Search for **Courses**

 e.g. history

Study level

Undergraduate ▾

Entry year

2022 - 2023 ▾

Go



Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence BSc (Hons)

3 years, starting in September 2023

[BOOK A CAMPUS TOUR](#)[ORDER A PROSPECTUS](#)

This course is closed to applications from Home students for September 2023 entry. We are still accepting applications from Overseas students.

What best describes you?

[LOOKING TO APPLY](#)[PARENT / ADVISOR](#)[STAFF](#)

Develop sound theoretical and practical skills in AI, software design, development and experimentation to become an innovative computing professional.

This course is for you if you're keen to learn about current Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies, specialising in this field from the start of your degree, whilst still gaining a broad grounding in computer science. AI is becoming an ever more important part of

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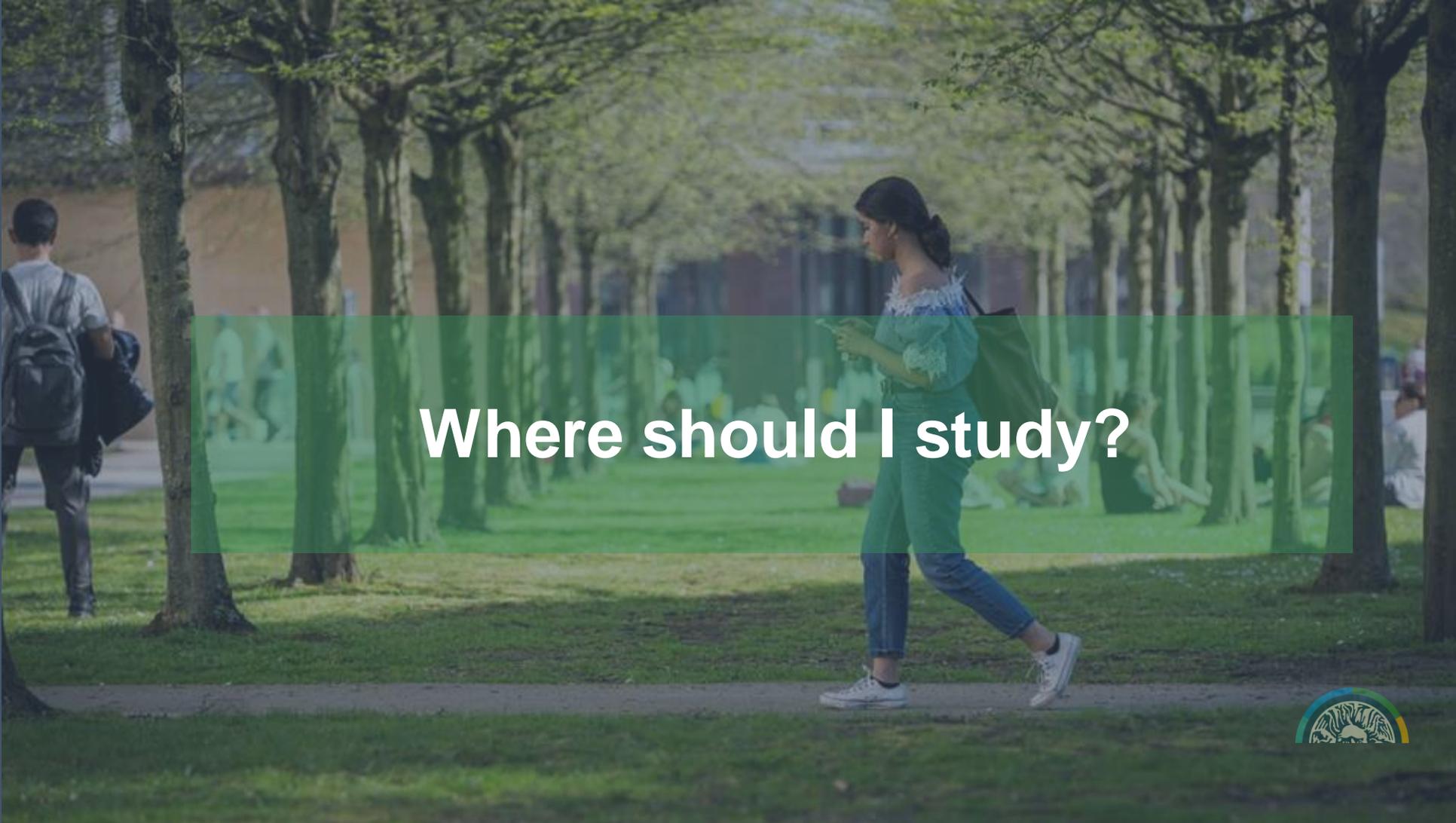
Careers

National Careers
Service

**National
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Helping you take
the next step





Where should I study?



Researching Universities

- Home or away?
- Campus or city?
- League tables & NSS
- Entry requirements
- Placements and study abroad
- University facilities & accommodation



Home?

Comfort zone

Family support

Cooking & cleaning

Cheaper living costs?



Away?

Job prospects

Student experience

Independence and freedom

Develop 'adult'/life skills



Campus?

Everything on one site

Student oriented

Community and safety

University of Bath is the second safest university campus in the UK*



City?

Immersed in city life

Amenities and services

Independence and freedom

More part-time jobs?



League Tables

Independent sources of information

Look at both universities and departments

University of Bath:

- University of the Year 2023 – The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide
- Ranked 7th Nationally by The Guardian University Guide
- Psychology ranked 4th Nationally by The Complete University Guide 2023
- Criminology ranked 8th Nationally by The Complete University Guide 2023
- Sports science courses ranked 8th by Complete University Guide 2023



Student Satisfaction

Independent and honest insight

Questions include: academic support,
teaching & resources

University of Bath:

Ranked in the **top 4** nationally for student
experience

4 degree programmes achieved **100%**
overall satisfaction

7 achieved over **95%** overall satisfaction



Entry requirements

What are the entry requirements for your course?

Traditional qualifications or UCAS points?

Are your EPQ or other qualifications recognised?

Require an interview?

Is specific experience required?



Placements and study abroad

Does the institution offer placements or study abroad?

How long do they last?

What links do they have with industry and institutions?

University of Bath:

Second in the UK for number of students taking a placement

Links with around **3000** employers



University facilities

24/7 facilities?

Extra costs?

Specialist equipment?

Will you have access?

Good sporting facilities?



Accommodation

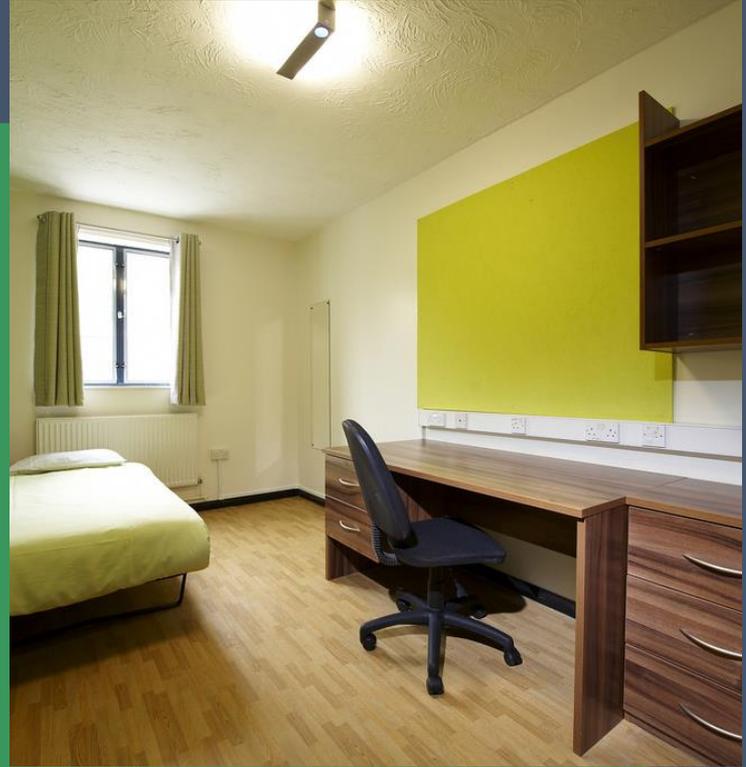
Private or university owned?

Shared bathrooms or en-suite?

Price range?

Location?

Is accommodation guaranteed?



Student Union

Support and Welfare

Volunteering

Part-time jobs

Clubs and societies

Sports teams



University of Bath Open Days

Friday 16th June 2023

Saturday 17th June 2023

Saturday 9th September 2023



Thank you for
listening..

Any questions?

