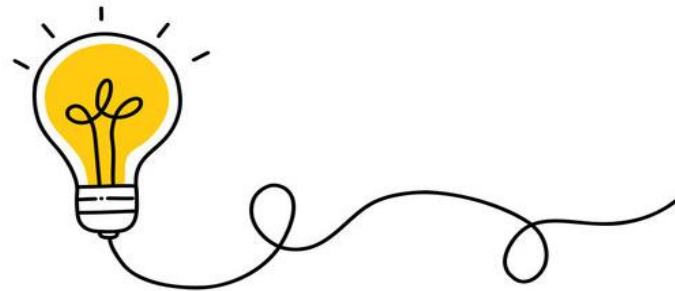




Choosing your course and university



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2. To discuss how to choose the right course and university for you.



How many higher education institutions are there in the UK?

160+

<https://www.studyin-uk.com/uk-study-info/university-rankings/>



How many higher education institutions are there in London?

40

<https://www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-universities-london>



How many courses are there at UK universities in total?

50,000 +

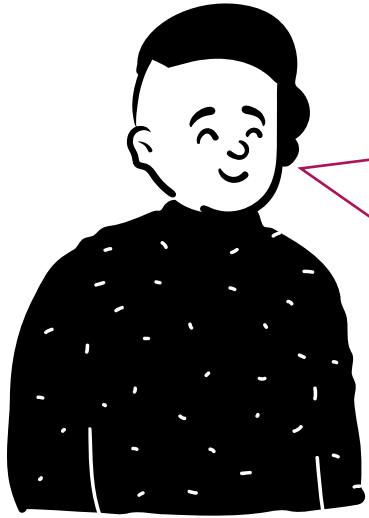
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**Why go to
university?**

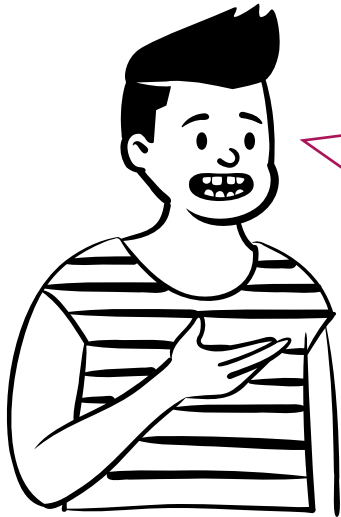
I want to go to university because...



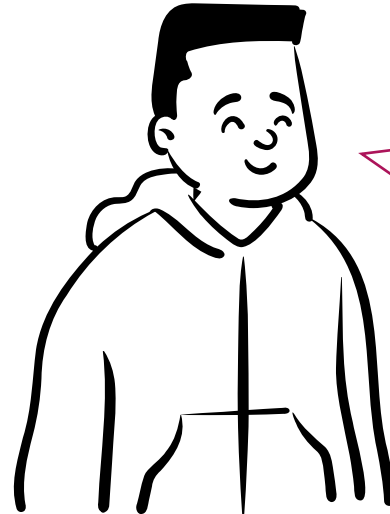
I want to study
my favourite
school subject in
greater depth.



I want to meet
new people and
gain more
independence.



I have a specific
career in mind
and university
will help me to
get there.



I want to gain
transferrable
skills and learn
something
completely new
to me.

Once you've decided university is for you, the next step is to think about what you want to study.



What things should you consider when choosing your course?



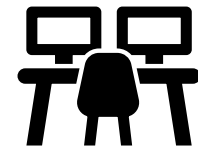
What do you enjoy? What are you passionate about?



What topics or subjects would you like to learn more about?



What qualifications or grades does the course require?



Do you want to work in a particular field? Do you have a particular career in mind?

400+ courses

Chemistry with
Management
Studies BSc/MSci

Geography and
Economics BSc

Icelandic BA

History with a Year
Abroad BA

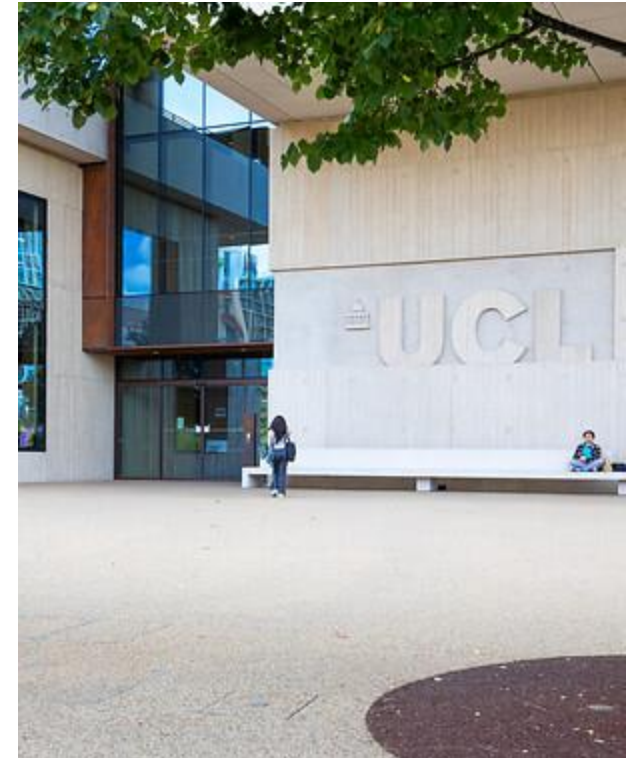
Arts and Sciences
BASc

Robotics and
Artificial
Intelligence MEng

Engineering
Foundation Year

Human Sciences
BSc

Creative Arts and
Humanities BA



Courses you've not
heard of before...



History and
Politics of the
Americas BA

Law with
German Law
(LLB)

Cinematic and
Videogame
Architecture
MArch

Cancer
Biomedicine
BSc

Viking and Old
Norse Studies
BA

Crime and
Security
Science BSc

Foundation year



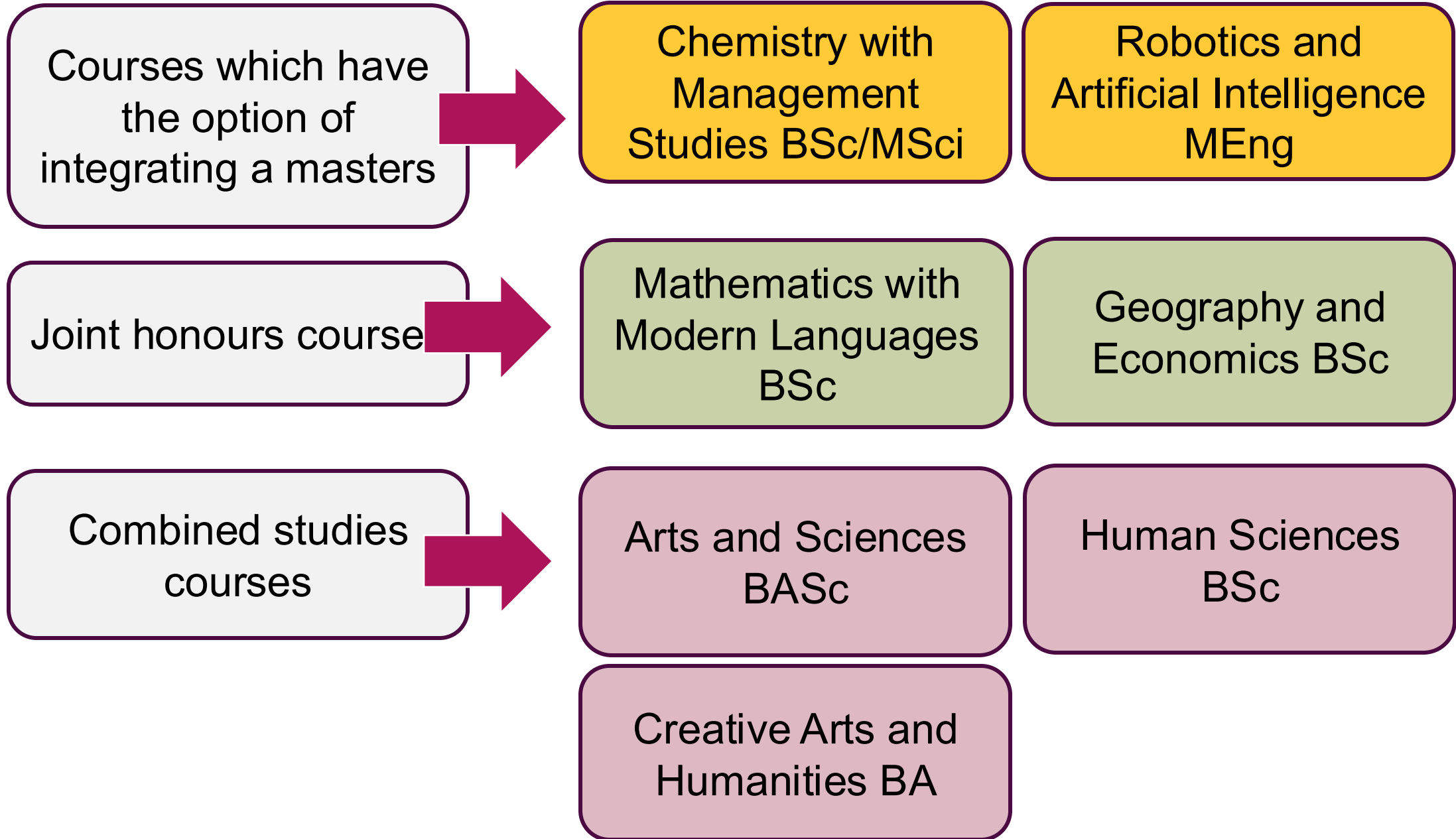
Engineering
Foundation Year

Courses with a year
abroad



History with a Year
Abroad BA

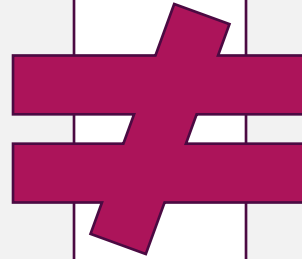
Icelandic BA



English Literature BA, University of Warwick

Optional modules examples

American Horror Story
The English Nineteenth Century Novel
Literature, Environment, Ecology
Tales of Terror: Gothic and the Short Form
US Writing and Culture, 1780-19
Romantic and Victorian Poetry
Queering the Literary Landscape
American Poetry
Early Modern Drama
Women and Writing
The Classical Tradition



English Literature BA, Newcastle University

Optional modules examples

Introduction to Creative Writing
Contemporary Cultures
Renaissance Bodies
Writing New Worlds, 1688-1789
Poetry Workshop
Theatre Script Workshop
Prose Workshop
Screenwriting Workshop
Stagecraft in Early Drama
Literatures of Decolonisation
Overseas Exchange

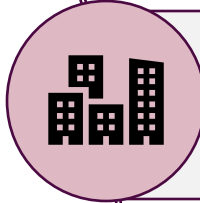
Choosing the right university for you



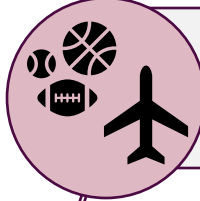
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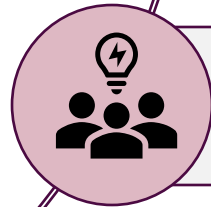
Do you want to live at home / close to home or move away?



What accommodation does the university offer students? Is it guaranteed?



What facilities and opportunities does the university offer students?



How do you feel about the university's ethos, culture or vibe?

Next steps – what you can do now

- ✓ List the careers you are interested in
- ✓ Research which courses lead to these careers
- ✓ Consider which subjects you are passionate about
- ✓ Look at the UCAS website and explore your post-18 options
- ✓ Sign up to events for Year 12
- ✓ Visit university campuses



Year 12 opportunities in 2024/25 at UCL – When will applications open?



Scan our QR code for more information!

UCL Expand - A hybrid 7-week subject focused academic programme, created and delivered by UCL postgraduate students and staff.



Choices - Subject-specific sessions, run in spring, which will give you an insight into UCL courses that you can study with your current A Level options.



Masterclasses - Online, subject-specific, hour-long sessions running from March to May.

Personal statement workshops
Online and in-person sessions to support you with writing your personal statement, delivered in June.



September / October



Experience UCL - An opportunity for young people from our priority groups to visit UCL before Christmas (care experienced and estranged students, young carers, forced migrants and students with disabilities).



The **Target Medicine Mentor Scheme** is a year-long programme for Year 12 students with the aspiration and potential to study medicine.

December

January



Summer Schools - every year we run a series of Summer Schools in partnership with the Sutton Trust. We have a wide range of subjects to choose from, designed to give you a taste of studying at University.

March / April



The **Discover UCL Summer School** is an exciting opportunity exclusively for deaf and hard of hearing students in Year 12 to find out more about university.

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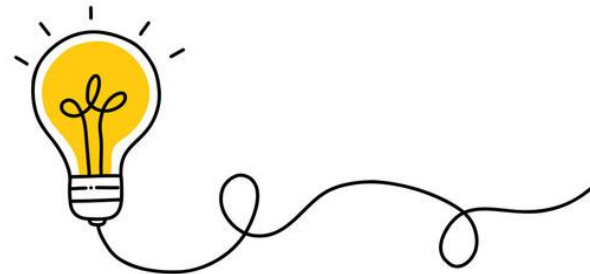
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Thank you so much for listening!

Please scan our QR code to let us know what you thought about the session today.



Student survey