

# WINCHESTER RESEARCHING YOUR OPTIONS

Leaving school or college can be daunting, particularly if you are not sure what you want to do next. There are a lot of opportunities available to you so it's important to research all of your options to help you make the right decision for you.

Have a read of our top tips and suggested places to support your research.

# **TOP TIPS**

Speak to others - teachers, careers advisers and people at home it might be they make suggestions about what to consider.

Give yourself the longest possible time to make decisions by making multiple applications, this way you can narrow down your preferred pathway as time gets closer.

Visits – make sure you attend open days and visit the university, if you are going live there its important you understand the feel of the place, what the facilities are like and whether you can see yourself studying there.

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### **USEFUL RESOURCES**

# Which? University

www.university.which.co.uk

The A level explorer allows you to enter 3 or 4 subjects that interest you and it suggests degrees which are linked to these choices.

## **UCAS**

www.ucas.co.uk

Has lots of information regarding degree courses and also look through their 16-19 section which offers job profiles and suggestions.

# **Unistats**

www.unistats.direct.gov.uk

The official website for comparing UK higher education course data.

# **Complete University Guide**

www.thecompleteunversityguide.co.uk

Independent university league tables & rankings give you a good guide to which university is best for you.

### **The Student Room**

www.thestudentroom.co.uk

Support from other students. Please note this information is not verified and is the opinion of other students.

### **Health Careers**

www.healthcareers.nhs.uk

Get all the information you need to take the next step in your career by exploring the roles available.

# **Prospects**

www.prospects.ac.uk

Designed for students studying for their degree, it provides graduate vacancies and information about what students go on to do with the subjects they have studied at university level.

# **Buzz Test**

www.icould.com/buzz

Find out what you're like and what you could do in the future. It takes 10 minutes and suggests career options and identifies personality traits that might make you suitable for certain career areas.