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GETTING STARTED

Is university right for me?

University can be an excellent next step after college. It can be a gateway into better career prospects and a higher salary. It is also worth considering that some jobs require a university degree, for example, teaching or nursing. You can study something you love and develop a whole host of transferable skills such as analysis, communication and organisation. You may also like to move away for university for a new experience and to

Where to research

- **UCAS** – the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service for a whole host of
- Go direct to a university's website – to check course content, opportunities they
- **The Student Room** – for information directly from students.
- **The Uni Guide** – to compare courses.
- Find out more about our **Open Day** and other **virtual events**
- Look out for other opportunities like **taster sessions**, summer schools
- Chat to students directly on Unibuddy – chat to Reading students

Will I be prepared for university?

work in a similar way to university courses so you will be very prepared to take on a degree. You will have experience in practical based learning, deadlines, research, and industry experience, all of which usually feature in a university degree. This will also help you stand out from the crowd as other applicants will not necessarily have this same type of experience. A lot of styles of teaching and learning at university will be familiar to you and will likely have already developed independence while doing a BTEC which will aid

What can I study?

Traditional subjects

e.g. English Literature, Biology, Geography

Vocational

e.g. Teaching, Pharmacy, Speech and Language Therapy

Unusual courses

e.g. Consumer Behaviour and Marketing, Meteorology & Climate

Combined Courses

e.g. Art and Psychology, Modern Languages and English Literature

(Please note some undergraduate courses may require specific entry requirements for entry. These are examples of courses available at Reading University)

HOW TO APPLY

September: Applications open. Apply online via UCAS.

- You must check that you have the correct entry requirements.
- You can find out more about the entry requirements for each course on the UCAS website.

Mid January: Make sure you apply before the deadline.

May: You can follow the progress of your application by logging into your UCAS account.

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May/June: You can check the status of your application by logging into your UCAS account.

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August: You can check the status of your application by logging into your UCAS account.