





research intensive modern university<sup>2</sup>



140

nationalities represented



30 mins

from the centre of London



1. Research Excellence Framework 2014







## How many universities in the UK?



#### 131 Universities

\*Over 345 including HEI providers

# How many universities in London?



## How many universities in London?

#### 22 Universities

\*Over 105 including HEI providers



How many UG degree courses are available in the UK?



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Over 50,000 undergraduate courses.

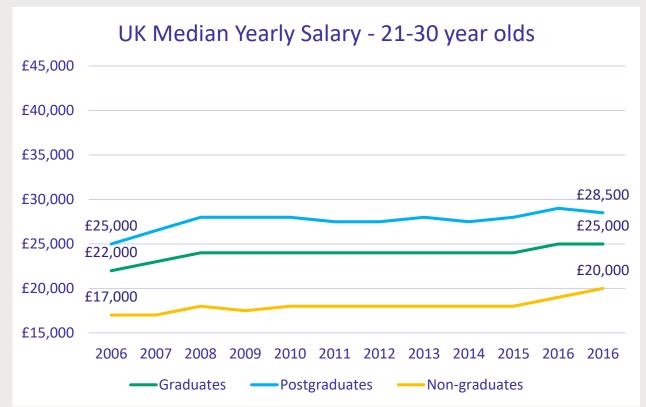


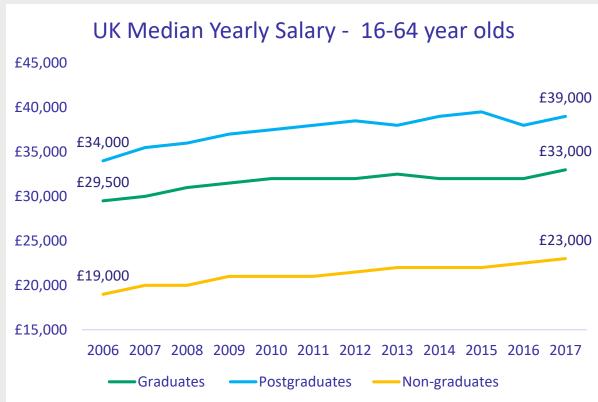












Graduates earn on average an additional £5,000 per year compared with nongraduates between 21-30 years.

During their working life graduates earn an additional £10,000 per year compared to non-graduates rising to £16,000 per year for those with a postgraduate degree.



In-depth knowledge









Social life / new experiences





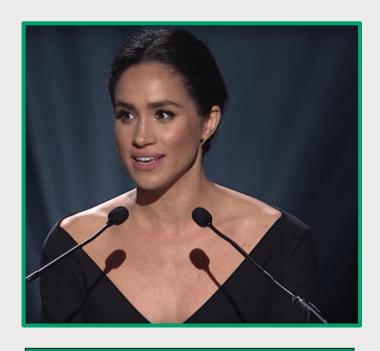
#### What did they study?



**Barack Obama** 



J.K.Rowling



**Meghan Markle** 

#### What did they study?



**Barack Obama** 

Political Science & International Relations



J.K.Rowling

French & Classics

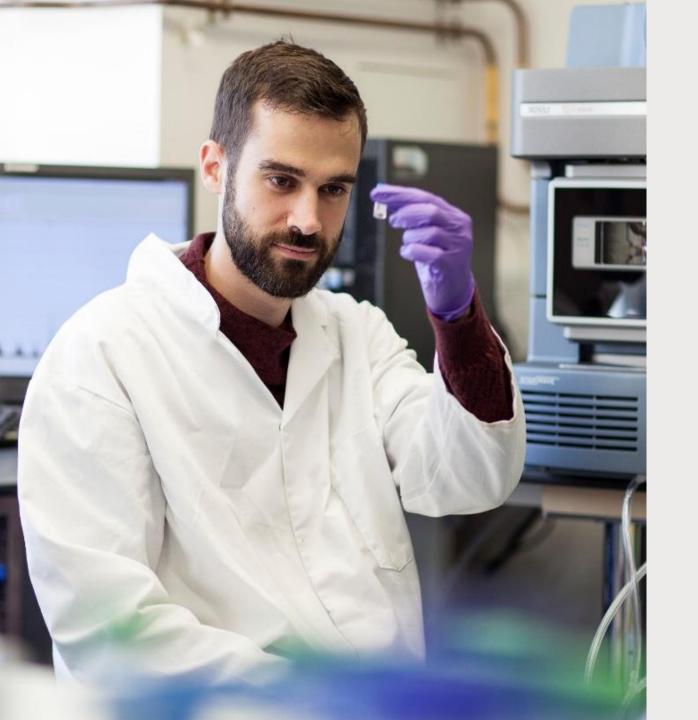


**Meghan Markle** 

Theatre & International Studies







#### Course

- Does the university do the course you want to study?
- What research do they complete in the area?
- What modules do they run?



#### Opportunities

- Clubs and societies
- Study abroad
- Work placements
- Support services
- Scholarships
- Student union
- Part time work



#### Location

- City or campus
- Close to home or far away
- Transport links
- Facilities
- Local area
- Accommodation options



#### League Tables

- University ranking
- Researching standards
- Course ranking
- Employment statics
- Student satisfaction
- Teaching excellence



#### **Entry Requirements**

- Grades or UCAS points
- Specific subjects needed?
- GCSE results?
- Additional test (e.g. National admission test for Law -LNAT)
- Interview required?



#### Gut feeling

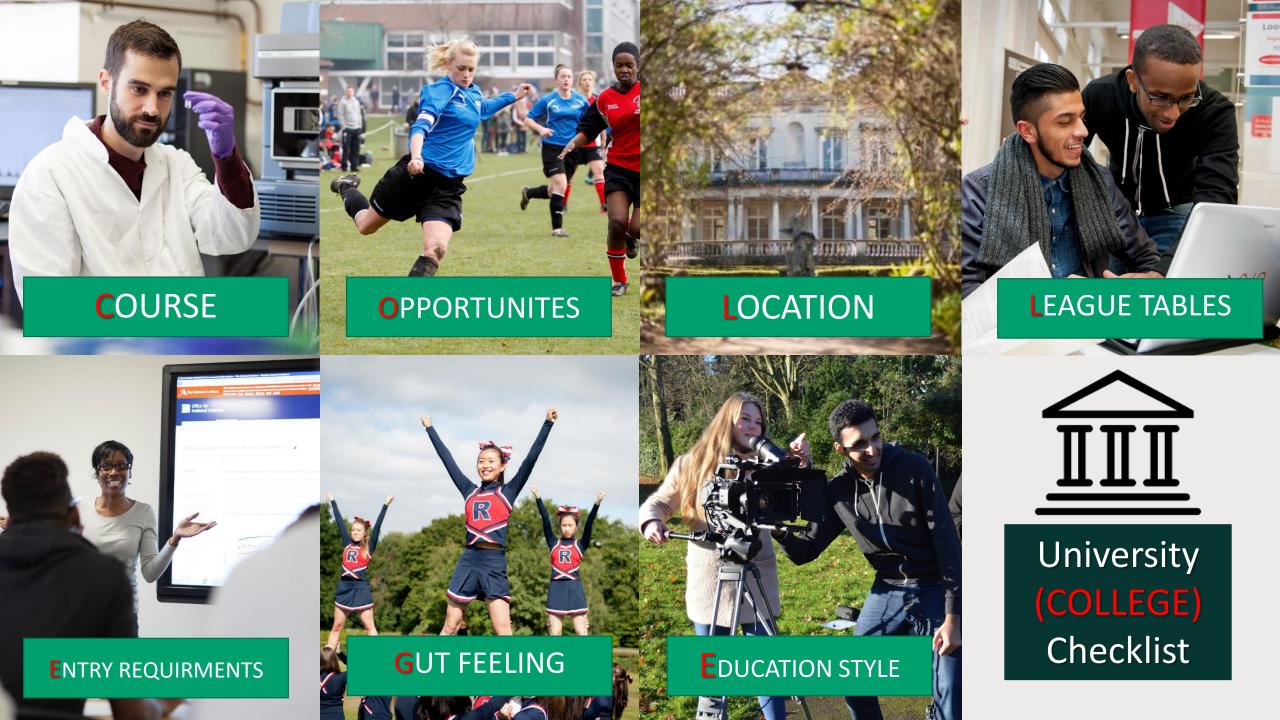
 How do you feel when you visit the university?

 The only way to know is to go to the university.



#### **Education Style**

- Assessment types
- Practical or theory based
- Contact hours
- Who teaches (lecturer or research student?)
- Length of course
- Length of semesters



#### What is most important to you?

Hierarchy

**COURSE** 

**OPPORTUNITES** 

**LOCATION** 

LEAGUE TABLES

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**COURSE** 

**EDUCATION STYLE** 

LEAGUE TABLES

**COURSE** 



### 1. Write your hierarchy

2. Collect a university prospectus (or research online)

3. Complete the worksheet

#### **ACTIVITY**



University 'COLLEGE' research case Study:

#### University of Roehampton





Range of courses across 10 academic departments.

Study abroad, work placements etc.

London's campus Uni

92% employment/study\*

UCAS points 64-144

You tell me!

Small class size, practical, high lecturer contact

#### Questions





- Student finance?
- Moving away from home?
- When do I have to decide?



What does COLLEGE stand for?





What does COLLEGE stand for?



- Course
- Opportunity
- Location
- League
- Entry requirement
- Gut
- Education style

Name three reasons to go to university.







- Career
- Higher Income
- Transferable skills
- Independence
- In-depth Knowledge
- Social life / new experiences





When do applications open?





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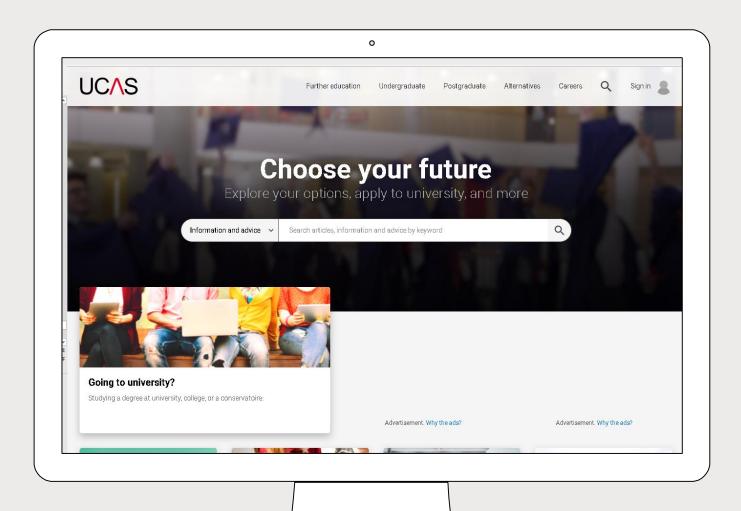
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