



**Next Steps
South West**

KEY WORDS

Researching your options can be confusing. Use this handy flyer to make sense of the new vocabulary you'll come across.



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Higher Education (HE)

Optional final level of study after further education (level 4 and above).

Undergraduate

A student who is studying for a bachelor's degree.

Tuition Fees/Student Loan

Student loans are available to cover the cost of your course, and living expenses.

Personal Statement

A written opportunity to describe your skills and experience, and why a course is right for you.

UCAS

Universities & Colleges Admissions Service

Tariff

Used by UCAS to allocate points to post-16 qualifications.

Foundation Degree

A combined academic and vocational qualification in higher education, equivalent to two thirds of a bachelor's degree.

Foundation Year

An additional year of study at the start of a degree course that prepares students to go on to an undergraduate degree programme.

Higher/Degree Apprenticeship

An apprenticeship at level 4 or above, apprentices work towards a higher education qualification (HNC, HND etc.).

Entry Requirements

What an applicant needs to have, in order to get onto their HE course of choice. Including qualifications, subject specialisms, interviews, portfolio reviews, admission tests, and other types.



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