

Introduction to HE Worksheet

After reading the University of Chester Introduction to Higher Education presentation, complete the tasks in this worksheet to recap what you have learnt about Higher Education and begin your research into what university might look like for you.

Task 1 – Why go to University?

Think about your reasons for going to university and write them down. These might help you make decisions when it comes to it!

	For a future job
22000	A subject that interests you
	Life experience



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Task 2 – University Qualifications

Draw lines between the boxes to match the type of **degree** to their **definitions**

1. Single Honours Degree

2. Combined Honours Degree

3. Sandwich Degree

4. Foundation Degree

 A) Studying 2 subjects that usually complement each other such as Psychology and Criminology

B) A stepping stone between
Level 3 and a full degree.
Usually they have an option to
top up to a full degree if you
want to

C) A degree where you spend a year gaining valuable industry experience related to your degree. These courses are 4 years in length

D) Studying 1 subject on its own

Check your answers on the final page of the worksheet





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Task 3 – Do your research

Our Introduction to Higher Education presentation gave you lots of information covering topics such as qualifications, courses, university campuses and student life. This task gives you an opportunity to look at some of these things in more depth, conducting online research into Higher Education.

We've given you some suggestions below and highlighted some key words to give you areas to consider but there are also lots of other student focused websites and resources available online.

- Use UCAS or individual university websites to research how the **courses** that interest you are **assessed**.
- Visit the UCAS website and find out which **award** would apply to the subject you are interested in studying at university?
- Explore UCAS website looking at city guides or search for courses you are considering at the Universities that teach it and the type of **campus environment**.
- Lots of universities are offering digital **open days** and virtual **campus tours** so now is a great opportunity to explore your options.
- Universities offer many different types of **accommodation**. Use the University of Chester website to give you an idea about what's available. <u>www.chester.ac.uk/accommodation</u>
- The Students' Union offers support to students as well as being the host for **clubs and societies**. Visit the Chester Students' Union website to see what's on offer <u>www.chestersu.com</u> and what you might like to be involved with at university.

Task 2 – Answers

How did you do?

Single Honours Degree	Studying 1 subject on its own
Combined Honours Degree	Studying 2 subjects that usually complement each other such as Psychology and Criminology
Foundation Degrees	A stepping stone between Level 3 and a full degree. Usually they have an option to top up to a full degree if you want to.
Sandwich Degree	A degree where you spend a year gaining industry experience related to your degree. These courses are 4 years in length.

