## **INDUCTION DAY – RESEARCH TASK**

During your time as a Sixth Former, you will have to take responsibility for organising your own independent learning time. Most students will study 3 subjects, and subjects will usually be timetabled for 5 periods per week. Even with Enrichment added, you will still have 9 periods per week of Private Study time. This time can be used not just for keeping up with homework assignments, but can also be used to prepare for life after Highdown.

This tasksheet will help you prepare for your next steps when you leave Sixth Form in 2 years time. You can work on this task at any time over the summer.

## TASK 1

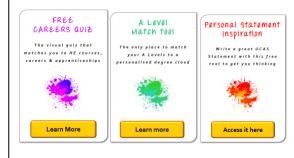
Researching your options

Find the UCAS website – this is the main resource for researching and applying to university in the UK, but it is also a useful resource for researching further options.

- 1. Go the main website <u>www.ucas.com</u>
- 2. Click on the link 'Not sure what to do?' (<a href="https://www.ucas.com/what-are-my-options">https://www.ucas.com/what-are-my-options</a>)
- 3. Create either a PowerPoint or Word document that summarises what you need to know about the following educational options. You will be asked to share this with your new mentor in September. Try to create a 'factfile' for each option
  - a. University
  - b. Apprenticeships
  - c. Employment
  - d. Internships
  - e. Gap Years

## OPTIONAL EXTRA TASK – NO IDEA WHAT TO DO NEXT?

One useful website that can help you with these decisions is SACU - (<a href="http://sacu-student.com/">http://sacu-student.com/</a>) Head to this website, click on the link 'Student' – you will have to create an account, using a valid email address – and then investigate possible careers options by clicking on one of the following on the website



## TASK 2

Using the UCAS Course Search website (<a href="https://digital.ucas.com/search">https://digital.ucas.com/search</a>), research a range of courses that you could progress onto after Sixth Form. You can apply for a maximum of 5 courses on your UCAS application but you may initially want to look at a wider range. Complete the table below on which university, which course and the entry requirements for that course. Remember, you can apply to more than one course at the same university. If you need some advice on using the UCAS website, try reading through this Powerpoint that our Year 12s have used to help you – click <a href="https://energy.new.org/">https://energy.new.org/<a href="https://energy.new.org/">https://energy.new.org

University	Course	Entry Requirements

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