

Lesson plan

Researching degree courses

40
Minutes

16-18
Age

KS5:L3
PSHE

Learning outcome(s)

By the end of the lesson students will:

- Have explored and compared degree course data for up to six specific courses
- Decide which, if any, of the investigated courses, they would seriously consider applying for

Summary of the lesson

In the first higher education session students should have recorded, in the form/worksheet **Choosing a degree subject**, a subject they want to investigate further.

This second higher education session will help students identify courses and universities they want to consider:

- Students start investigating specific courses, geographical locations and institutions using the course search on TheUniGuide
- Students record their findings in the form/worksheet **Investigate degree courses**

Classroom requirements

- Computer/tablet per student
- **Investigate degree courses** form/worksheet, one per student

Suitable for students aged

16-18

Time required to complete tasks

40 mins max

Gatsby Benchmarks covered



Learning area in CDI Career Development Framework

Grow throughout life / Explore possibilities /
Manage career / Create opportunities

Programme of Study for PSHE Education

KS5:L3

Skills Builder Universal Framework



Lesson activities

1. Main activity

For students with a Morrisby account

Students with a Morrisby account can use the worksheet **Investigate degree courses**. Students investigate and compare up to six courses in the subject area they chose at the end of the last session.

For Morrisby Tracker customers

Schools who subscribe to Tracker can use the form **Investigate degree courses**. Students can access the form by logging into their Morrisby account and visiting **Progress > Activities > Investigate degree courses**. Students investigate and compare up to six courses in the subject area they chose at the end of the last session.

For students with no Morrisby account

Students investigate and compare up to six courses in the subject area they chose at the end of the last session

- Hand out the worksheet **Investigate degree courses**
- Students go to TheUniGuide website
- Type in the subject or subjects they want to study in the courses search box on the home page
- They can refine the course list using the location filter if they wish
- Using the search results students read about courses at different universities and shortlist those that interest them
- They record the outcome of their investigation on the worksheet for up to six courses they have shortlisted

**Time
Required**

40
Min

Resources

A computer or tablet per student

Investigate degree courses worksheet, one per student. Please check you use the correct worksheet for your students; one is designed for Morrisby account holders, the other for those without a Morrisby account

TheUniGuide website
<https://www.theuniguide.co.uk/>

Differentiation

Some students may need help to interpret course data. Students may choose an additional subject area which interests them in which to research courses.



Extension activities



Students can continue researching more courses in their own time. They can use the UCAS website as an additional resource. They can plan some university visits using the calendar of open days at <https://www.opendays.com>.

Students who have a Morrisby account add one of these activities or an alternative goal to their Morrisby Action Plan.

