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Choosing a course and university

Overview

**Where are you
now?**

Choosing a course

**Choosing a
university**

Next steps

LEVEL	QUALIFICATION		
8	NVQ 8	Doctorate	
7	NVQ 7	Master's Degree / Postgraduate	
6	Higher / Degree Apprenticeships / NVQ 4, 5 & 6	Honour's Degree	
5		Foundation Degree, HND	Diploma in Higher Education
4		HNC	Certificate in Higher Education
3	Advanced Apprenticeship / NVQ 3	Vocational A Level BTEC Cert / Diploma	AS / A2 Levels
2	Apprenticeship / NVQ 2	BTEC First Diploma	GCSE Grades 9-1
1	Traineeship / NVQ 1		GCSE Grades 3-1

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Choosing a course

The Careers Advisor



The Careers Advisor

Name: Joe

Studying: A Levels - Biology, French, Psychology

Interests: Debating, swimming, volunteering in the community



The Careers Advisor

Name: Mohammed

Studying: A Levels – Geography, History, Politics

Interests: Fossils, world culture, conservation



The Careers Advisor

Name: Joss

Studying: BTEC Extended Diploma in Business

Interests: Fashion, current affairs, Asian culture



Exploring your interests

Discuss what type of activities and research you can undertake to:



- Find out more about courses you are interested in
- Develop your knowledge around the courses you are interested in

Work Experience

Career Planning

University

What can you do to prepare?

Research/Analysis

Your own thing...

Projects/Tasters

Choosing Universities





What things do *you* need to consider when choosing a university?

Graduate
prospects

Research and
innovation

History

Reputation

Student
satisfaction

Russell
Group

University
league tables

Subject
league tables



The Russell Group

There are 24
universities
in the Russell
Group...

University of Birmingham
University of Bristol
University of Cambridge
Cardiff University
Durham University
University of Exeter
University of Edinburgh
University of Glasgow
Imperial College London
King's College London
University of Leeds
London School of
Economics

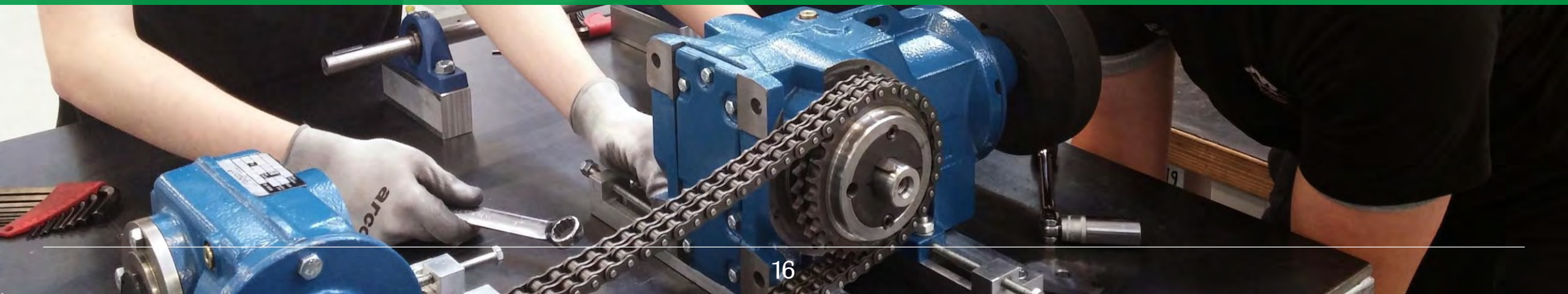
University of Liverpool
University of Manchester
Newcastle University
University of Nottingham
University of Oxford
Queen Mary University of
London
Queen's University Belfast
University of Sheffield
University of Southampton
University College London
University of Warwick
University of York



Active in cutting-edge
global research

Outstanding learning
and teaching
experience

Top links with
business and public
sector

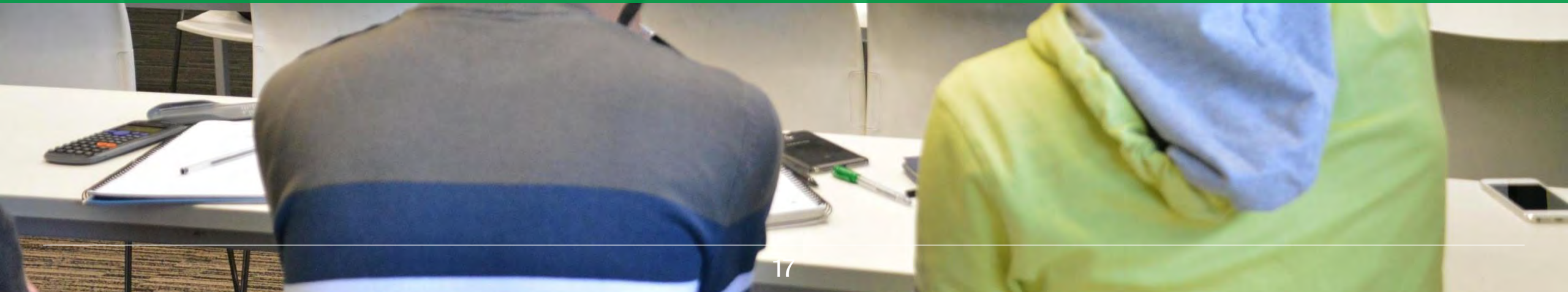




Opportunities

Experiences

Careers



Family/friends
nearby

Within 1 hour of
home

Abroad

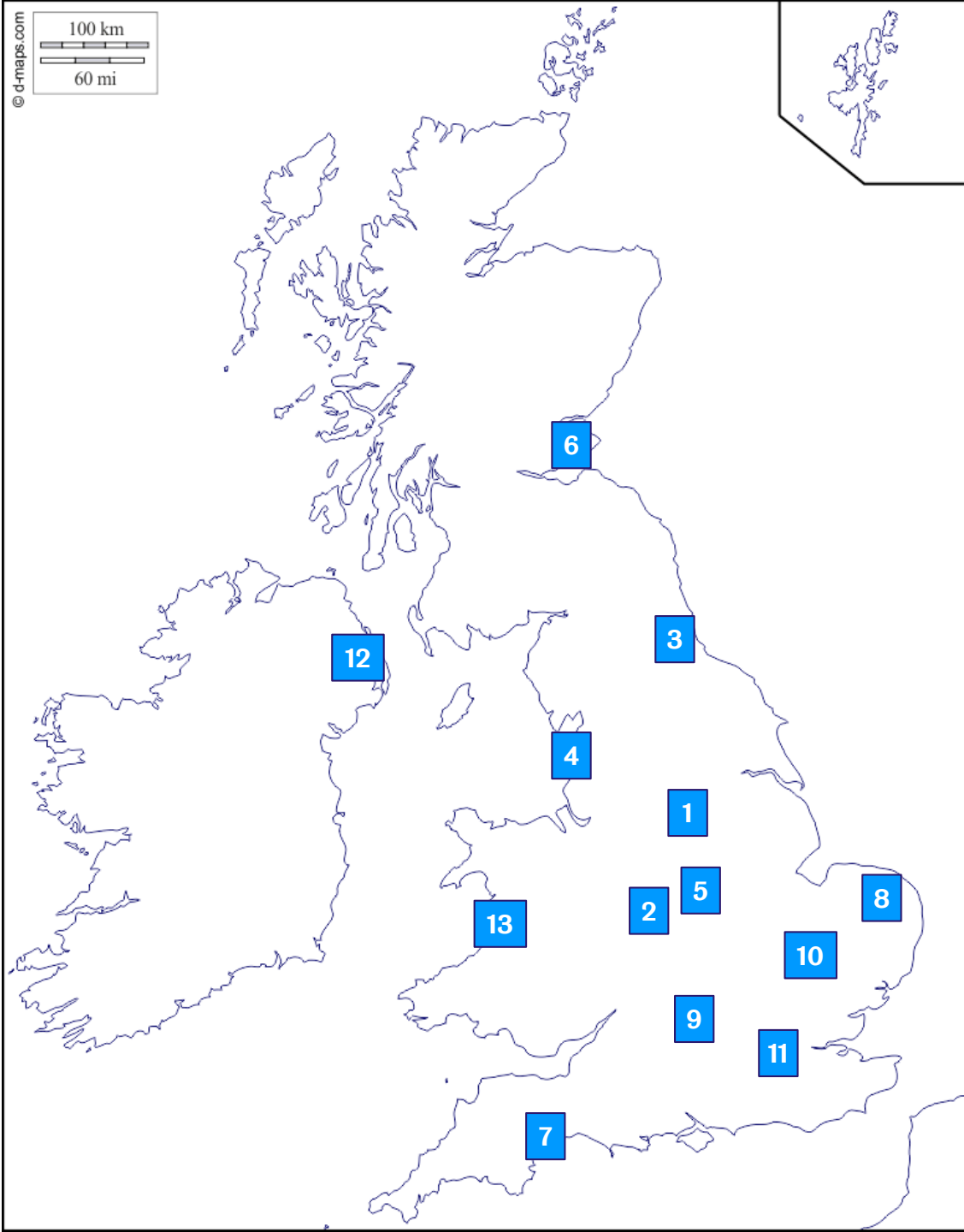
Distance

Anywhere

Home city/town

As far away as
possible

Transport links



1. Sheffield
2. Birmingham
3. Durham
4. Lancaster
5. Loughborough
6. St. Andrews
7. Exeter
8. UEA
9. Oxford
10. Cambridge
11. UCL
12. Queen's
13. Aberystwyth

Links with
industry

Teaching
methods

Accreditation

Study
abroad

Assessment
methods

Trips

Subject

Facilities

Module
choices

Specialisms

Contact hours

Staff

Field work

Entry requirements

Mixed /
single sex

En-suite /
shared
bathroom

Atmosphere

Cost

Accommodation

Size

Catered /
self-catered

Transport links

Location

Private options

Amenities

Careers
support

Support
services

Bursaries /
scholarships

Libraries and
study spaces

Safety

Sports and
societies

Experience

Students'
Union

Shopping

Nightlife

Culture

Campus

Cost of living

City



Your selection process

How to narrow down your choice of university:



- Long list
 - What looks interesting? Know your preferences.
- Shortlist
 - See your dream course? Be aspirational.
- Final Decision
 - Received your offers? Check your firm and insurance.

Thank you!

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Any questions?

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