

Tutorial

Summer Independent Learning August 2023

Introduction

For Tutorial, your Summer Independent Learning (SIL) is focussed on building on the work that we have done in Tutorial around your future pathways, your tutor will have put all tutorials on Teams for you to revisit should you need to recap anything they have discussed. This is now focussed on ensuring that you are in a position to begin your applications for university or jobs/apprenticeships upon your return in September.

The tasks that you need to complete are the following:

Task 1 Completing ALL section on your UCAS Hub page

You have registered with UCAS and completed () sections of UCAS Apply
You should use the UCAS Apply Guide for 2024 Entry to help you. This is available on Teams.

We ask that you do this, even if you are not applying to university, for three reasons:

1. Many students decide very late on that they actually do want to go to university this saves time later on.
2. It is useful for Progress Tutors when they are writing specific job/apprenticeship references as it provides them with a list of qualifications you have previously studied and the exam board that you studied with we
3. The content in a Personal Statement can be converted to an Expression of Interest letter to prospective employers.

You should have set up your username and password in tutorial.

Task 2 - Personal Statements

Task 2 requires you to complete a 1st draft of your personal statement and submit via Teams before your first tutorial back.

The type of personal statement that you need to write depends on what you intend to apply for in Year 13.

| What you intend to apply for in Year 13 | Type of statement you need to write |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| University only | UCAS Personal Statement |
| Apprenticeships or Employment only | Employability Skills statement |
| Both University and Apprenticeships/Employment | UCAS Personal Statement |
| Gap Year before University | UCAS Personal Statement |
| Gap Year before Apprenticeship/Employment | Employability Skills statement |

Task 3 Create a shortlist of University/Apprenticeship options

Create on UCAS Hub a shortlist of courses that you would consider by selecting the heart icon to save to your favourites.

You need to check

1. Entry requirements UCAS Points (Tariff is in the UCAS Apply Guide)
2. Location

Have 2-3 Aspirational (above current target grades)

Have 2-3 Secure (your current target grades)

Have 2-3 safe (just below your current target grades)

OR

Begin to look for industries you may want to pursue an apprenticeship in.

You need to check

1. Requirements (including any # of hours per week) and any other requirements
2. Location
3. Pay
4. Length of study (if an apprenticeship)

Have 5 potential industries/jobs that you would like to pursue.

Task 4 Information for references

The college will write a reference for your UCAS application and/or any applications you make to employers or apprenticeship providers.

To ensure that we have correct and up-to-date information regarding any extenuating circumstance, part-time jobs, positions or responsibility, hobbies