

# Instructions



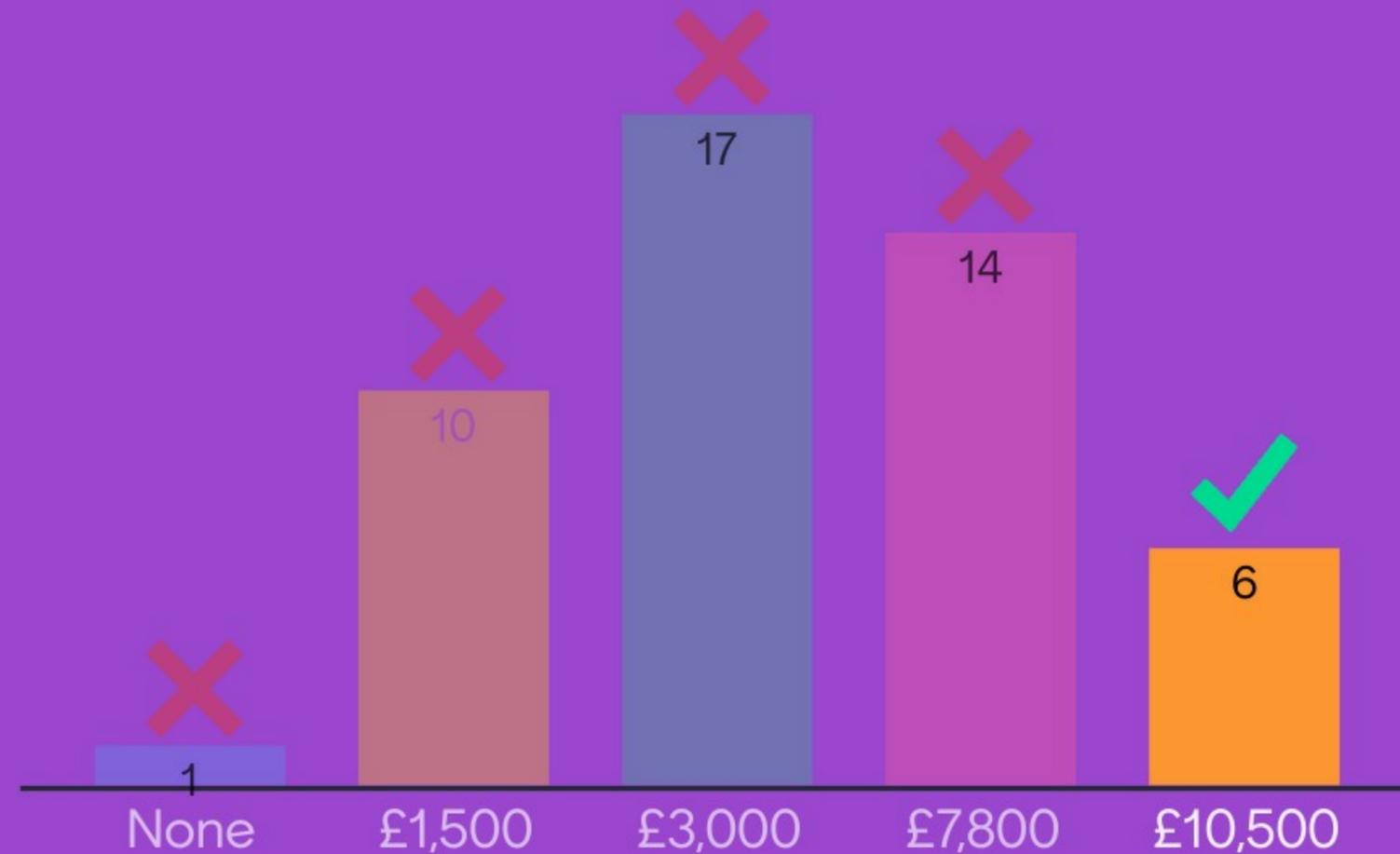
# Which Route? University or Degree Apprenticeship?

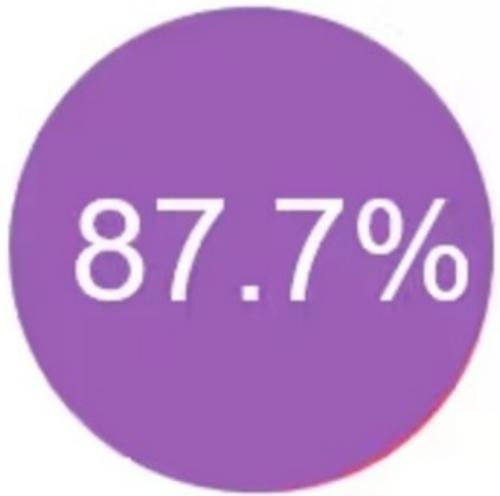
# The benefits of a degree

- Improve your employment prospects
- Improve your earning potential

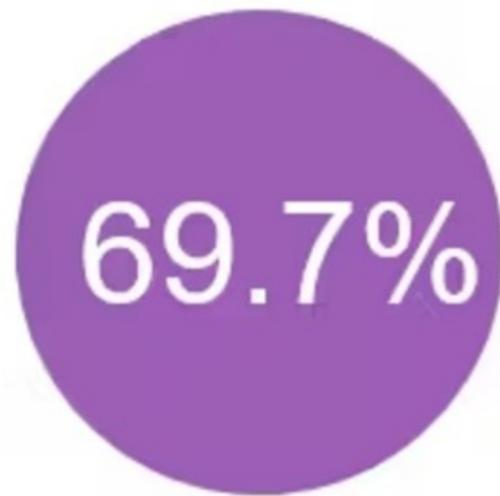


On average, how much more do graduates make per year compared to non-graduates?





87.7% of graduates  
in employment



69.7% of non-graduates  
in employment



3x more likely to have  
a high skilled job



Earn on average  
£10500 more per  
year

## Graduate Prospects

# Degree Apprenticeships

# The levels of Apprenticeships



Name	Level	Educational Level Achieved
Intermediate	2	5 GCSE passes
Advanced	3	2 A level passes
Higher	4, 5, 6 and 7	Foundation degree and above
Degree	6 and 7	Bachelor's or master's degree

# Life as a Degree Apprentice

- Earn a salary
- Holiday & sick pay
- Real responsibilities
- Average 30 - 37 hours a week
- 6 hours a week will be 'off the job' training
- <https://www.ucas.com/apprenticeships/degree-apprenticeships>



# Learning can involve:

- Attending the University in person
- Online modules
- Having a lecturer visit you in your place of work
- Independent study!



# How much will I get paid?

	23 and over	21 to 22	18 to 20	19 and over, first year	Under 18
From April 2024	£11.44	£11.44	£8.60	£6.40	£6.40

Apprentices are entitled to the apprentice rate if they're either:

- Aged under 19
- Aged 19 or over and in the first year of their apprenticeship

Apprentices are entitled to the minimum wage for their age if :

- Aged 19 or over
- Have completed the first year of their apprenticeship



# Examples (live October 2024)

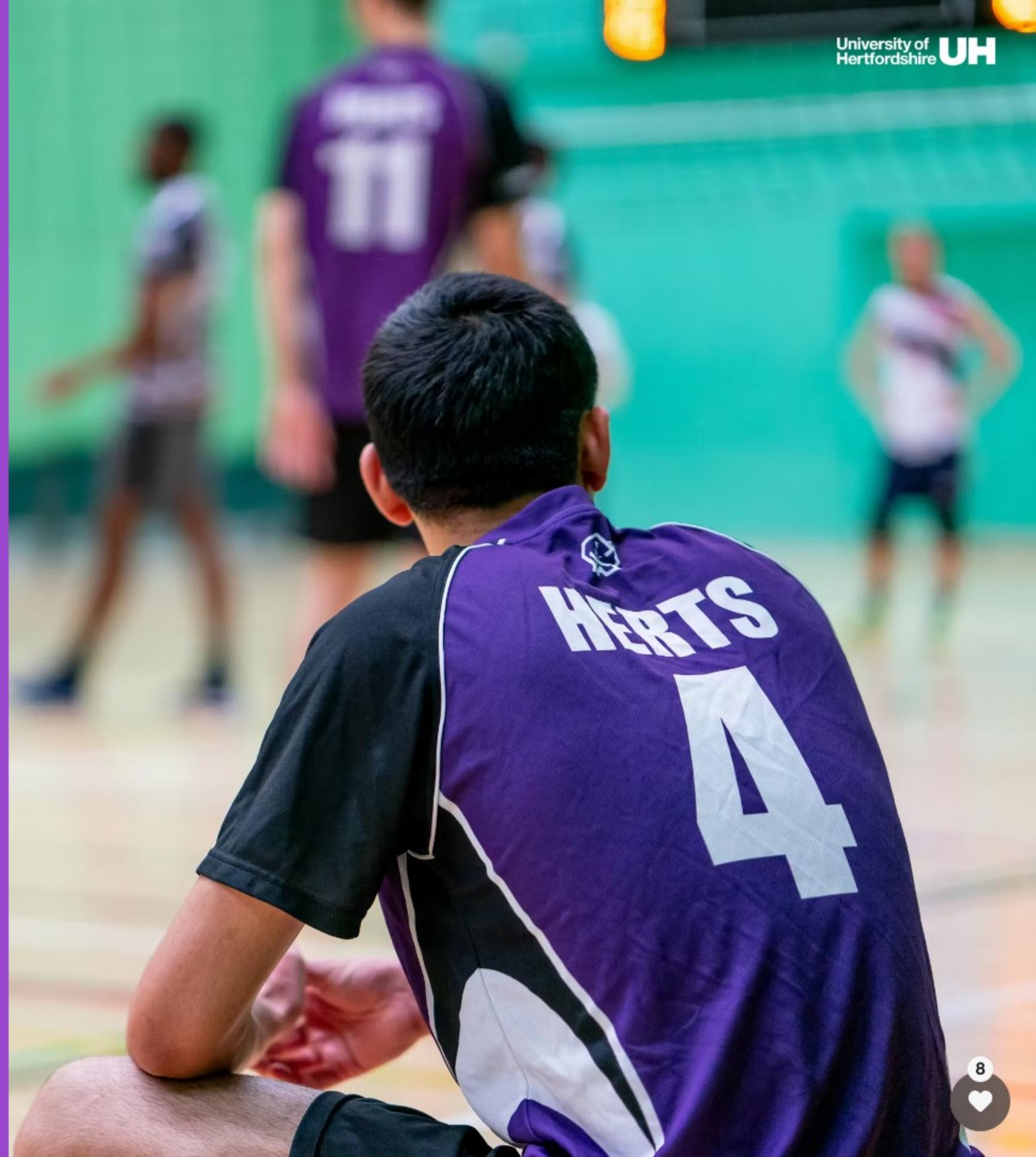
- Supply Chain Leadership (L6), Coca-Cola - £23,510
- Engineering (L6), BCE Energy Ltd - £20,000
- Media Tutor (L5), London Rangers Youth and Community - £19,000
- Therapeutic Radiographer (L6), Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust- £28,622
- Air Operations Control Officer (L5), RAF- £33,100
- Police Constable (L6), Metropolitan Police Service - £36,775
- Finance (L7), Zenopa - £22,000
- Data Science (L6), Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea - £31,716
- Solicitor (L7), Travers Smith LLP - £27,000
- Journalist (L5), BBC Sport - £21,840

Fire safety engineer (L6)	Youth justice practitioner (L5)	Sports coach (L4)
Embalmer (L5)	Publishing professional (L4)	Game programmer (L7)
Soil scientist (L7)	Teacher for sensory impaired (L7)	Dispensing optician (L6)
Photographer (L4)	Community nurse practitioner (L7)	Animal care and welfare manager (L3)
Professional security operative (L2)	Hair, wigs, make-up and prosthetics technician (L3)	Assistant farm manager (L4)
Robotics engineer (L6)	Playworker (L2)	Forest craftsperson (L3)
Youth worker (L6)	Outdoor learning specialist (L5)	Doctor (L7)

**84% of degree apprentices  
stay in employment with  
62% continuing to work  
with the same employer**

# Life as a Full-time student

- Lectures, seminars, tutorials
- Take advantage of facilities
- Join sport clubs and societies
- Opportunity to live on campus
- Most courses offer a study abroad year
- Most courses offer a work placement year
- Our students have completed work placements with: Disneyland Florida, Porsche, Rolls Royce, Warner Bros, L'Oréal and TUI



# Work Placement

- Contract of employment
- Holiday and sick pay
- Real responsibilities
- Earn a salary





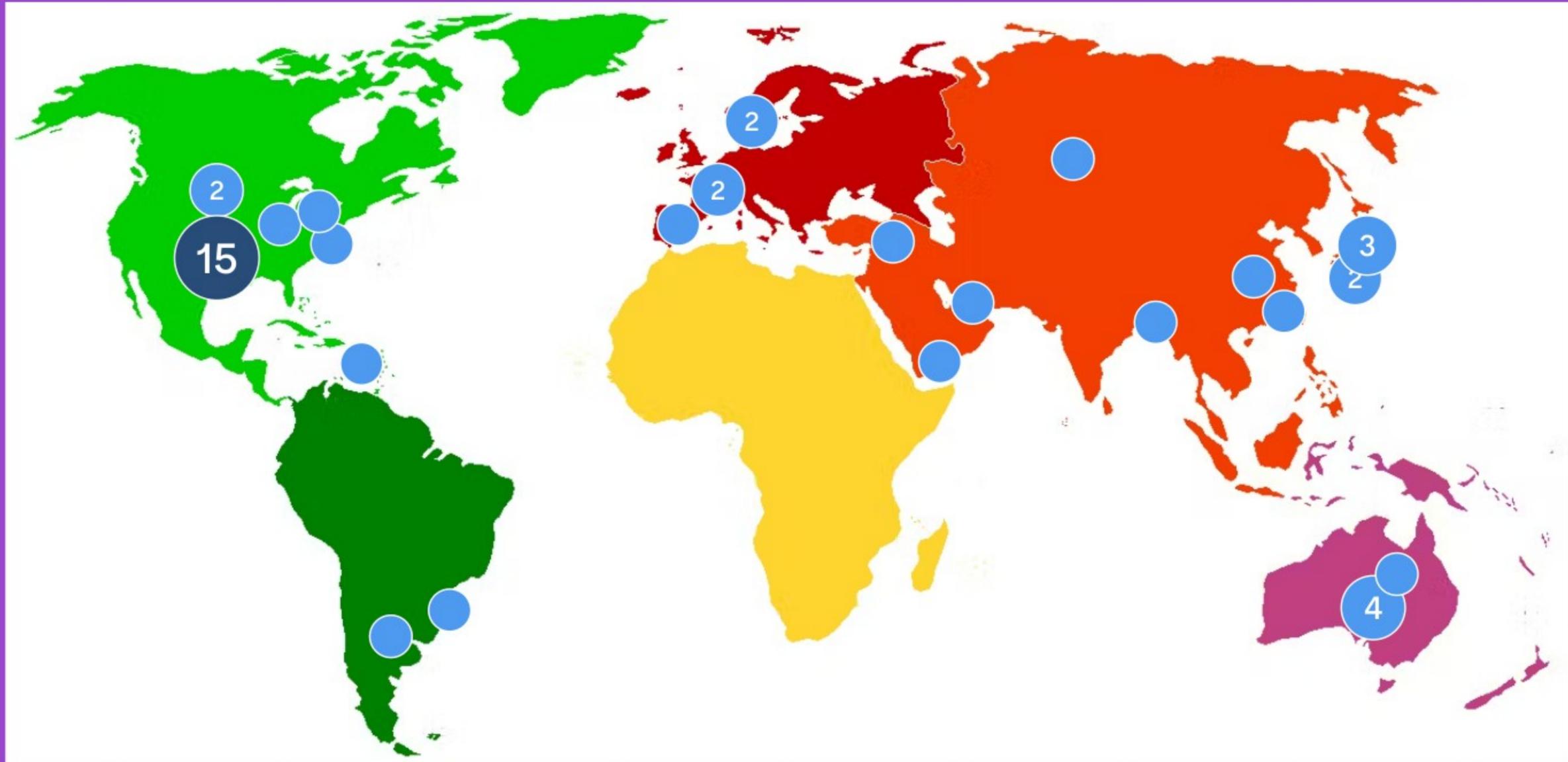
UH Links to industry

# Study Abroad Opportunities

South America, United States of America, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Uruguay



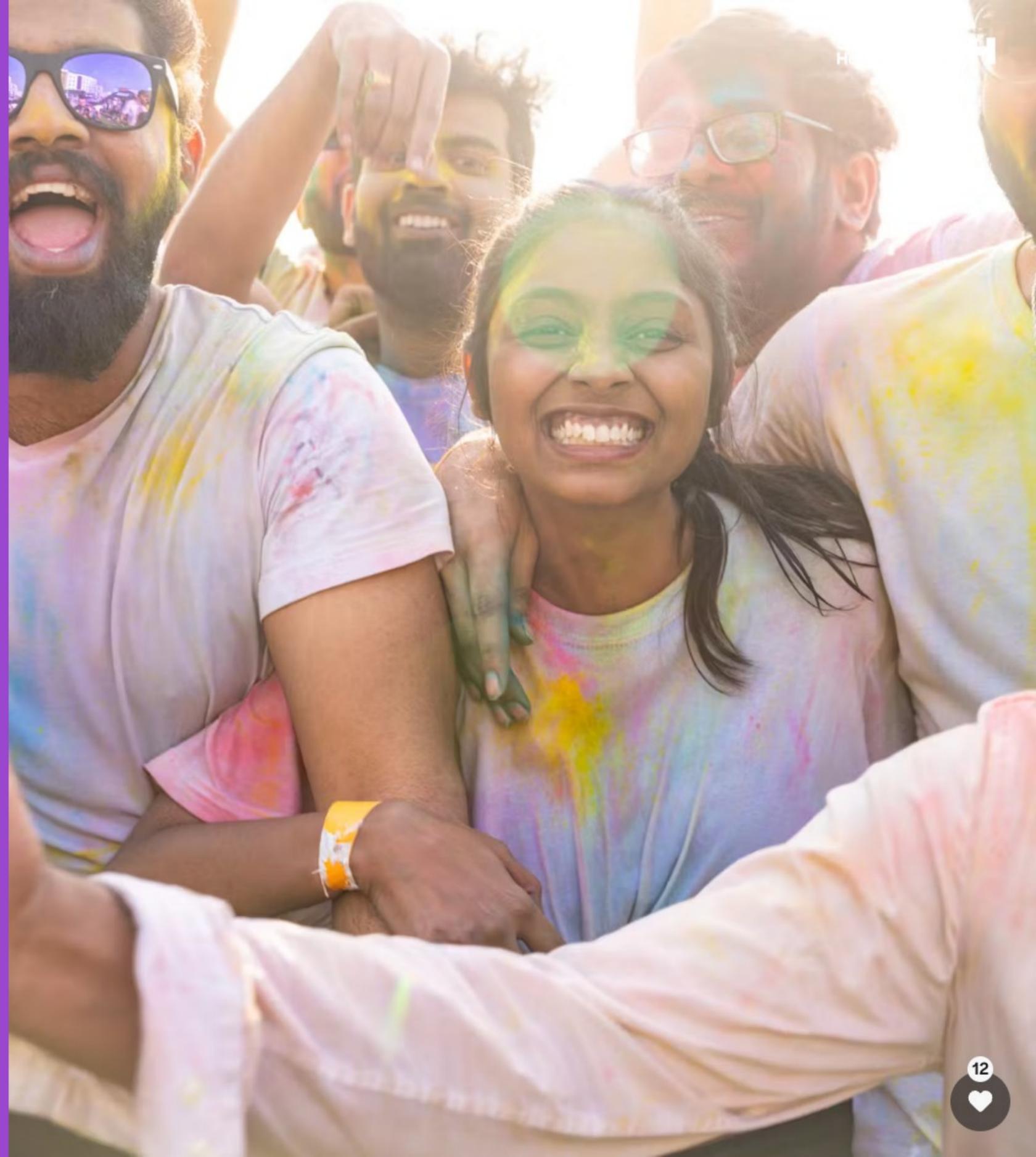
# Where would you want to go to study abroad?



# Expenses

- Tuition fees
- Accommodation
- Living expenses (food, phone, entertainment)

Student Finance Loans - Tuition fees (paid straight to your university) and maintenance (paid to you, based on household income)



What is the maximum amount universities can charge for tuition fees per year?



# Financial support

- Tuition fee and maintenance loans
- Parent/ Guardian contribution
- Full-time job during the holidays
- Part-time job alongside studies
- Bursaries, Scholarships, Grants
- Additional state funded support



# For 2025 entry:

- Repayments start when you earn over £25,000
- You pay 9% of your earnings over £25,000
- Repayments are based on how much you earn, not what you owe
- Interest is added at the RPI
- Your "debt" is written off after 40 years from leaving uni



If I am earning £30,000 a year, approximately how much will I pay towards my students loans each month?



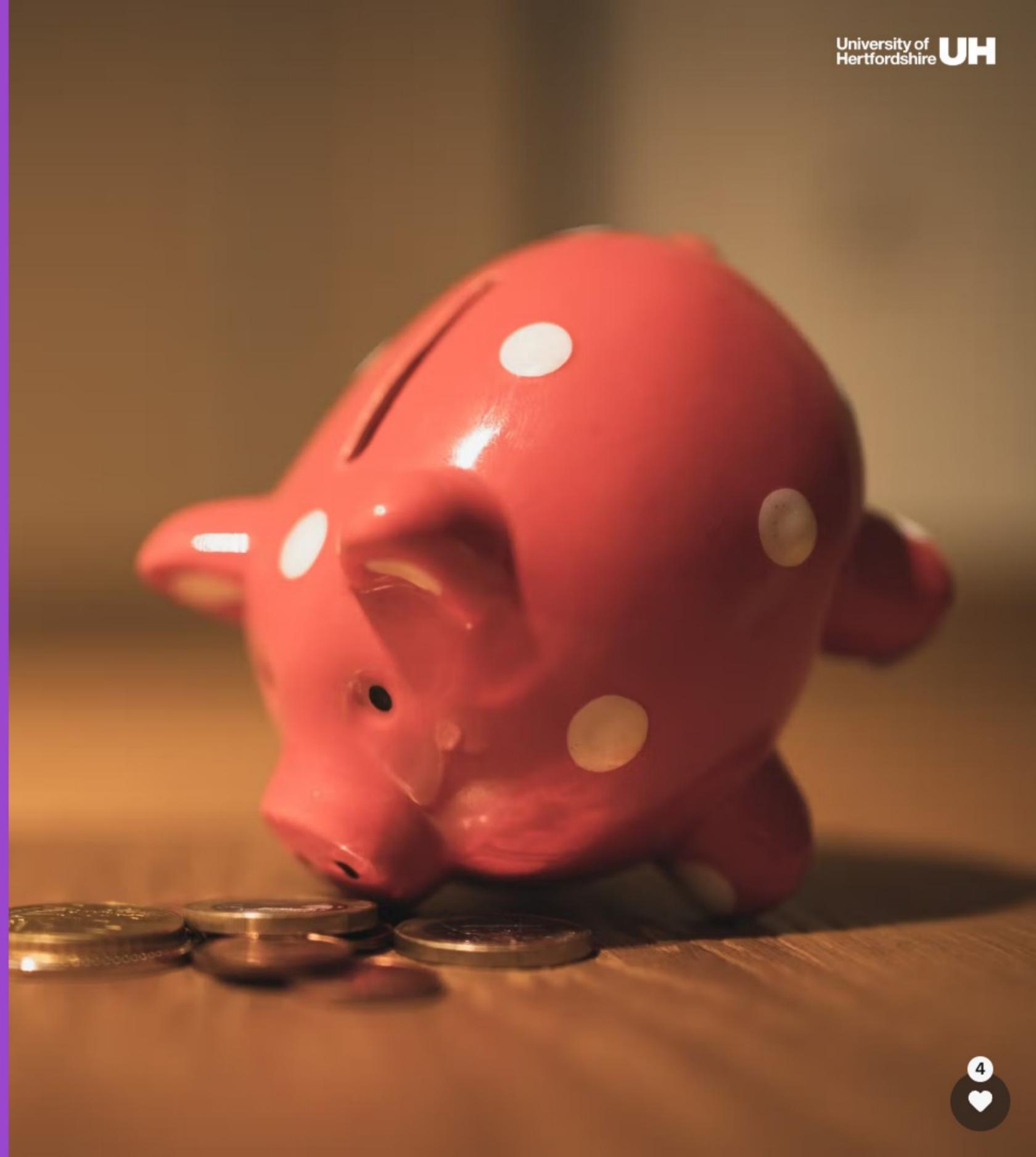
# Calculation!

£30,00 Salary

Loan payments on £5,000 (the part above  
£25,000!)

9% of £5,000 = £450

£450 / 12 = £37.50



# Either way...

- You achieve the same level 6 degree
- You get qualifications in an area that interests you
- You improve your employment prospects
- You improve your earning potential
- You gain experiences to add to your CV and to talk about in interviews

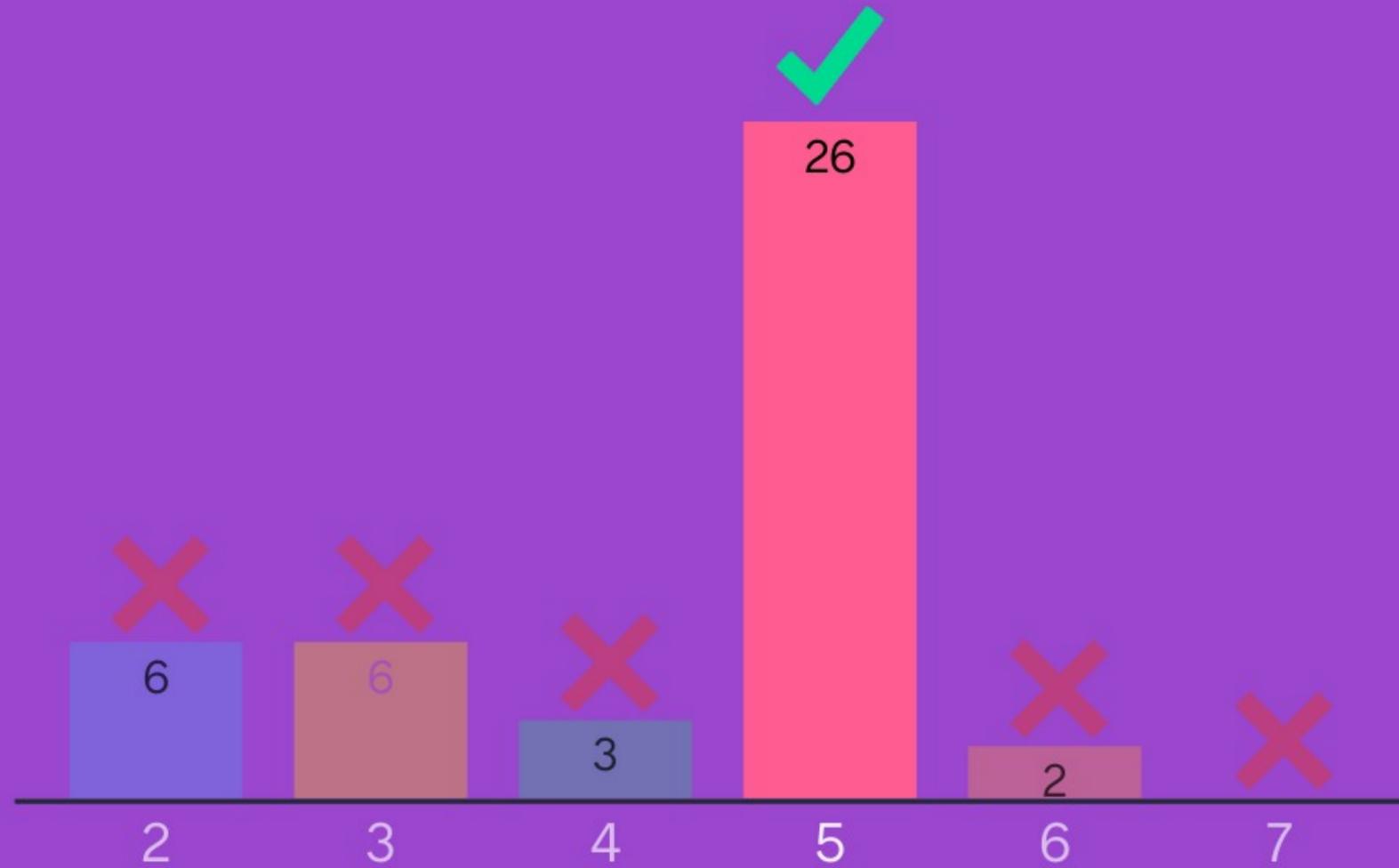


## What are the main differences?

- Costs
- Duration
- Work experience
- Accommodation
- Support
- Competitiveness
- Application process



# How many courses can you apply for through UCAS?



## Applying - Full-time degree

- Apply to university courses via UCAS
- 1 application for 5 courses
- Deadlines for applications are the same year on year
- 2025 entry - Early applications (Medicine, Vet, Oxbridge), 15th October, others 29th January

# UCAS

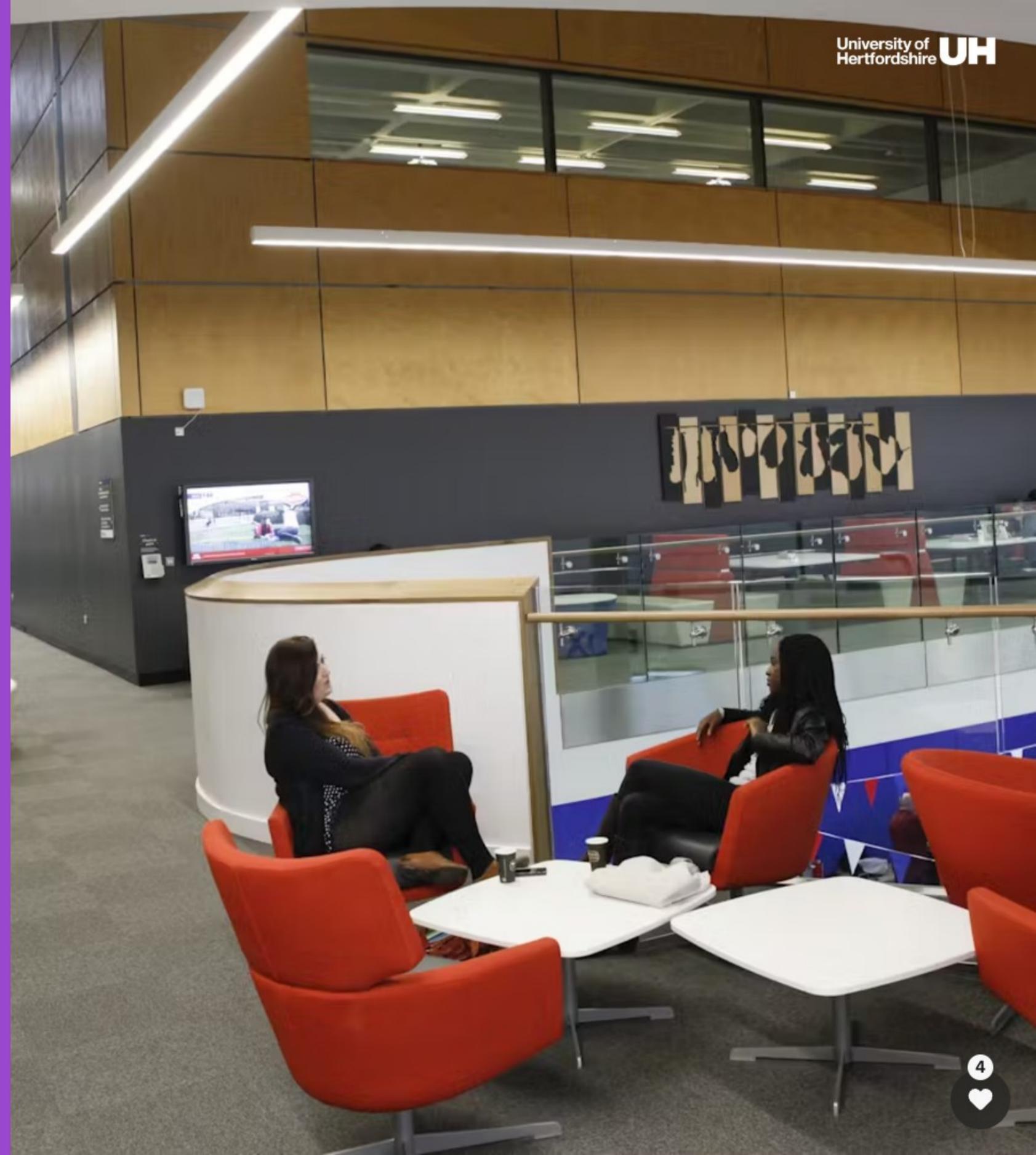
Universities and Colleges  
Admissions Service

University Admissions



# What goes on a UCAS application?

- Personal Information
- Academic History
- Personal Statement
- Reference from a Teacher
- Course choices





## Personal Statement - what are Admissions Tutors looking for?

- A genuine interest in the subject
- Strong potential to succeed
- An asset to the university community

# Find an apprenticeship

Find and apply for apprenticeships in England.

[Start now >](#)

## Before you start

You must create an account for this new service even if you have an account for the original service - use the [original service](#) to view your previous applications.

You can use the same account to [find a traineeship](#).

The application process is different in [Scotland](#), [Northern Ireland](#) and [Wales](#).

## Contact

**National Apprenticeship Helpdesk**

[nationalhelpdesk@findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk](mailto:nationalhelpdesk@findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk)

Telephone: 0800 015 0400

Find out how this [service is performing](#).

## Applying - Degree Apprenticeships

- Degree Apprenticeship places are handled by the employer NOT the university
- You are applying for a job
- The deadlines for applications are set by the employer
- They open and close throughout the year
- Application, assessment centre, online testing, interview....





### 1. CV/online application

Submitted directly to the employer



### 2. Telephone/video interview

Used by employers to filter initial applications



### 3. Test or in-tray exercise

This could be before or during the interview



### 4. Assessment centre

Held at the employer's offices or sometimes at the University



### 5. Interview

This could be either online or in person

# Application Process

# How to find a Degree Apprenticeship

- <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>
- <https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/>
- <https://careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs/degree/>
- <https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/opportunities/apprenticeships>
- <https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/>
- Company websites

# Top Tips for finding a Degree Apprenticeship

- Stay connected with the companies and organisations you would like to work for - follow them on social media
- Go to job fairs
- Look at University websites to see the companies they have partnerships with
- Network
- Set up job alerts
- Make your application stand out



# Which route is best for me?

## Is a Degree Apprenticeship right for me?

- Do you know exactly what you want to do?
- Do you feel ready to start full time work?
- Do you have the self discipline and time management skills required to work full time and study?
- Can you make a commitment of 3 - 6 years to 1 employer?



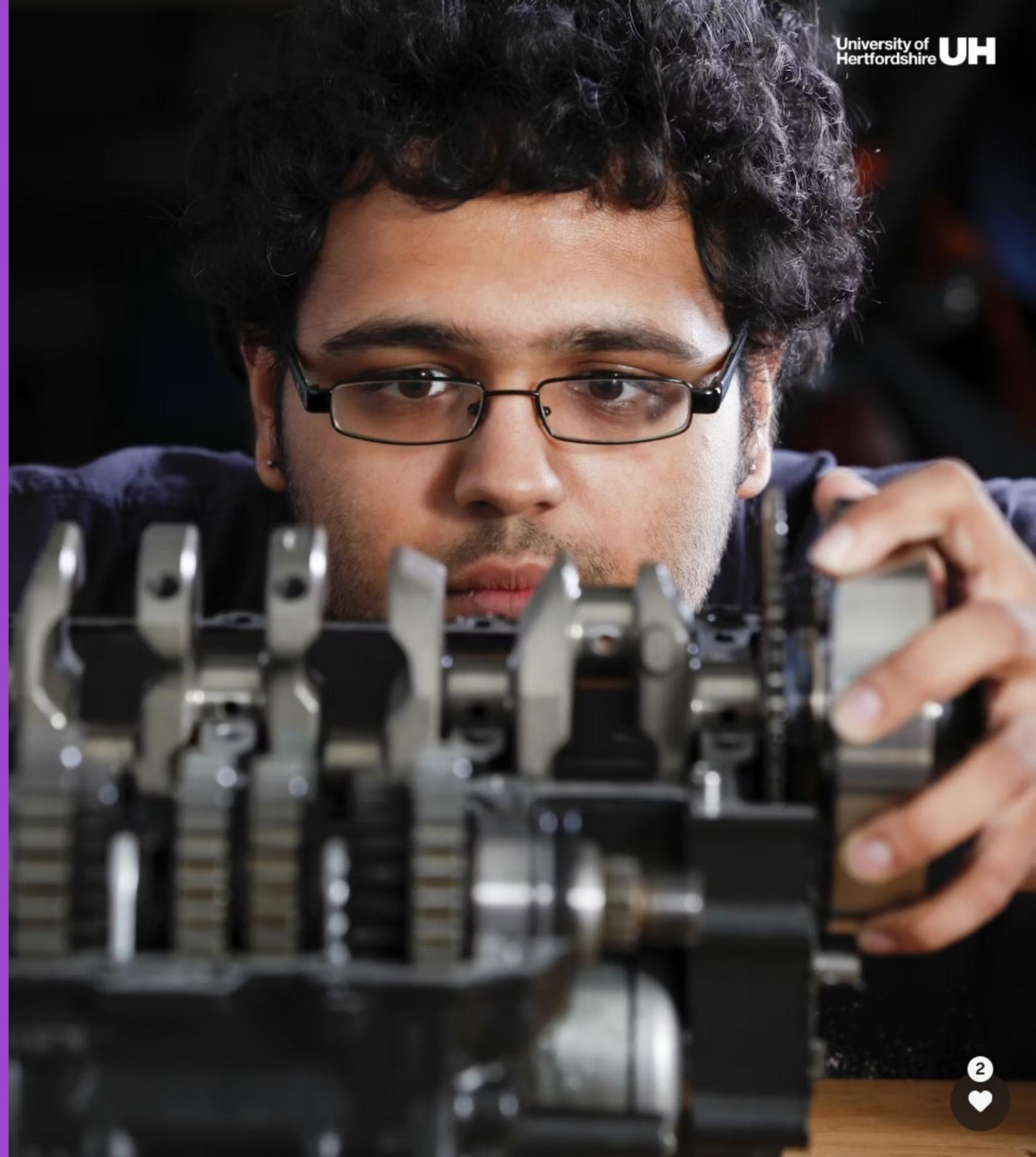
## Is a Full-time Degree right for me?

- Do you have the passion to study a subject in depth?
- Do you want social and extra-curricular opportunities?
- Do you want to study abroad?
- Do you want more support transitioning to adult life?

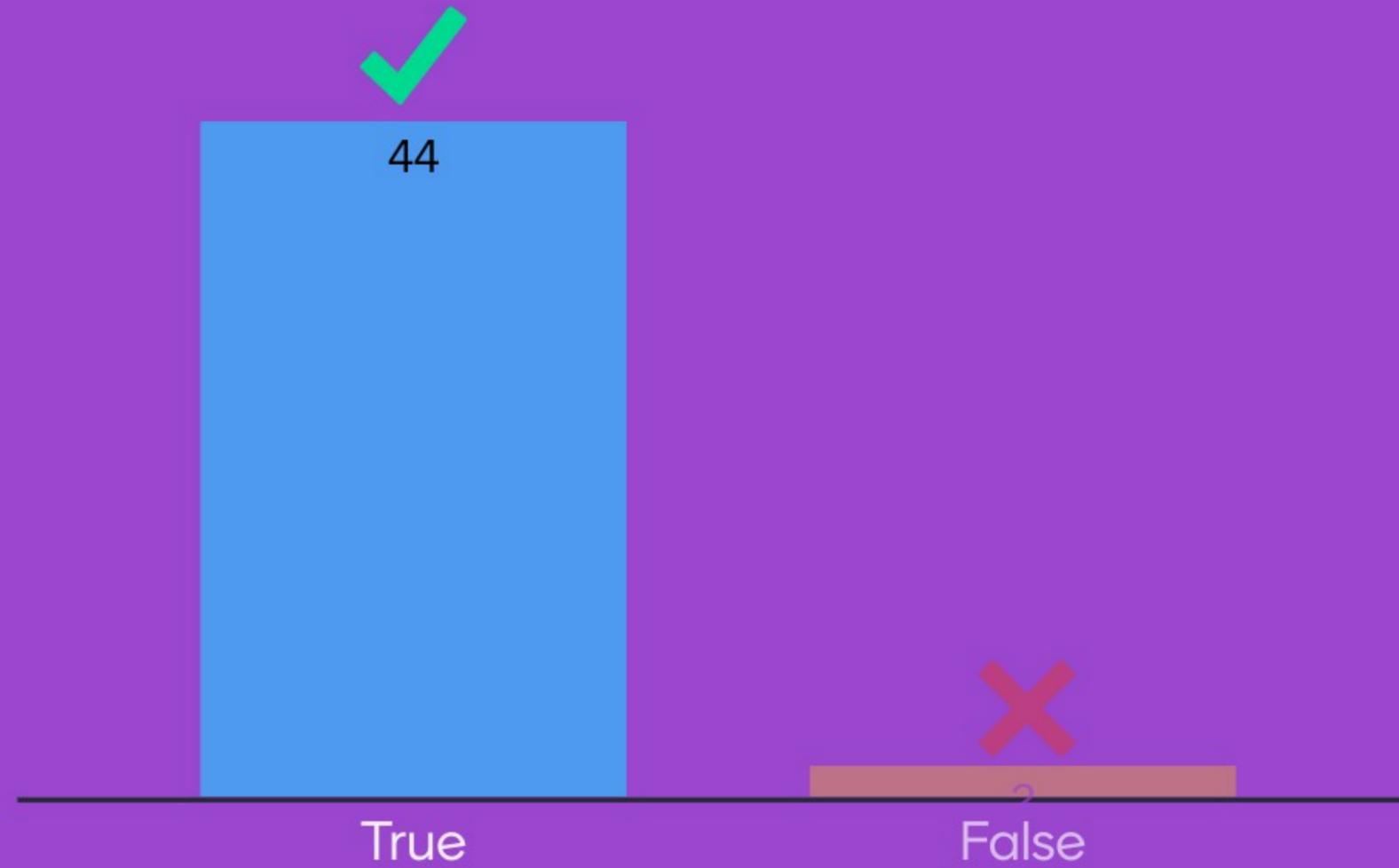


# Student Finance - Don't let 'debt' worries be your deciding factor

- Both are equally competitive
- There is no "easy route"



You can apply for both degree apprenticeships and full-time university courses.



# Leaderboard



Thank you! Any questions?  
<https://gck.fm/sqwaee>



10 questions  
2 upvotes

# Thank You!

