# **University Case Study**

# **Distance from home**

Home birds may not want to end up somewhere seven hours, three trains and a car journey away. But for those that would like more independence, living away from the family does have its benefits.

### Course

Consider the range of courses available to you at the universities you are considering. Read every little detail of the course description to make sure that it is really for you.

# Location

Spend some time doing some research and find out from students to see what it is like to live and study there.

# Cost

Check out how much tuition fees and first-year residency is and have a look at typical student rent prices beyond the first year. Also keep in mind the cost of living in the place you decide – London will weigh a lot heavier on the bank than other cities.

# Reputation

Have you ever wondered why so many apply to Oxbridge and Russell Group universities? Do your research and check the rankings.

## Facilities

What are you looking for? Decent halls of residence for first-years, fantastic sporting facilities or a great Students' Union?

## Work/volunteer placements

The opportunities to gain vital work experience whilst studying are especially important. Future employers will want to see you have gained work/volunteer experience as well as a degree.

### Task

Choose one university from your UCAS search and, using the points above, conduct a list of the benefits for applying for this university.