

# Post-18 pathways useful websites

Below are some useful resources to help you explore your options:

## All your options

**Careerpilot** (careers and options information with South West focus) [www.careerpilot.org.uk/](http://www.careerpilot.org.uk/)

## Higher Education

**UCAS** (searchable database of courses and lots of helpful advice, such as on choosing courses) - [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) See also <https://www.theuniguide.co.uk/>

**SACU** (degree idea generator) - [www.sacu-student.com](http://www.sacu-student.com)

**What Uni** (lots of useful information about different courses and universities) - <https://www.whatuni.com/> Alternatively: <https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/>

**Prospects** (gives ideas of where a particular degree subject could lead in terms of careers) – [www.prospects.ac.uk](http://www.prospects.ac.uk)

## Apprenticeships

**Amazing apprenticeships** (info, videos, worksheets) - <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/>

**Find an Apprenticeship** (main portal where vacancies are advertised) - [www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch](http://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch)

**Not Going to Uni** – [www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk)

**Student Ladder** (includes range of higher/degree apprenticeship opportunities) - [www.studentladder.co.uk](http://www.studentladder.co.uk)

## Gap Year

**Not Going to Uni** - <https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/sector/gap-year>

**Prospects** - <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/jobs-and-work-experience/gap-year>

**EDT Year in Industry scheme** - [www.etrust.org.uk/the-year-in-industry](http://www.etrust.org.uk/the-year-in-industry)

## Key points to note:

- Take your time to research all the options. Reflect on what would suit you best. Write down the pros and cons of each option for you.
- Research any specific career ideas you have and what pathway you'll need to take to get into these.
- Think of what else you can do to help clarify your plans (e.g. work experience, voluntary work, wider reading/networking).
- Ensure you have a backup plan in place, just in case!