

Why It matters to you - a Personal Statement activity

Overview

This session encourages students to explore research relating to subjects they are interested in. To encourage students to identify and explore research that relates to their subject and goes beyond the A Level curriculum.

- To encourage students to focus on why they are choosing a subject to pursue at HE level.

Learning Objectives:

By the end of this session students should be able to:

- Identify research that relates to their subject of interest.
- Understand some of the impacts of research and by association their subject on society.
- Write about their findings to illustrate an interest beyond the curriculum and evidence their independent exploration of the subject.

Activity type	Independent research	Group size	Limited only by IT availability
Room requirements	Individual internet access	Duration	Up to 2 hours (could be given as homework)



Duration	Activity	Description	Resources
5 -10 mins	Introduction: Research	Use the presentation provided to introduce the UCAS PS and explain that students should be looking to evidence their subject interest.	Intro presentation (optional)
5-10 mins	Introduction: Activity	Students work independently to identify research project(s) that link to their subject of interest	Internet access and device for each student.

30 – 40 mins Research activity

