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4 Reasons why university overseas is different



- The way in which students choose universities is different
- You might not have to decide what you want to study at university before you apply
- 'Good' means different things in different countries
- Applications don't work like UCAS

**Across Europe
there are**

48

**different
higher
education
areas**



Different Curriculum models



Different Institution Types



Different Admissions Processes (and strategies)



Different Eligibility Criteria



Different Languages (and levels of internationalism)

Curriculum Structures Globally

Double Degree

Apply to the course
2 degrees
Set Menu / Buffet

Faculty / Program led

Apply to the program
Multi Subject
Buffet

Liberal Arts & Sciences

Apply to the University
Many Subjects
Buffet

Single/Joint Honours

Apply to the course
1 or 2 Subjects
Set Menu

Interdisciplinary

Apply to the course
Thematic
Set Menu / Buffet





University of Navarra

Research University



HTW Berlin

Applied Science



John Cabot University

Liberal Arts College



TU Delft

Technology



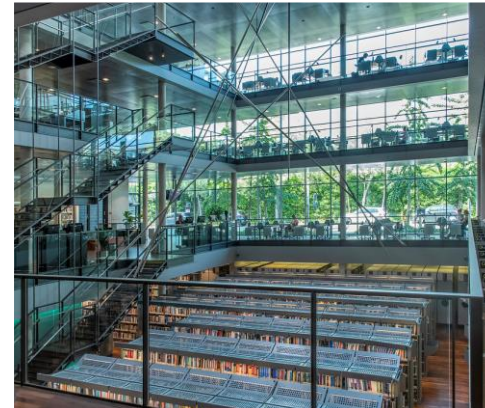
Prague City University

Art / Fashion



Cours Florent

Performance



Copenhagen Business School

Business



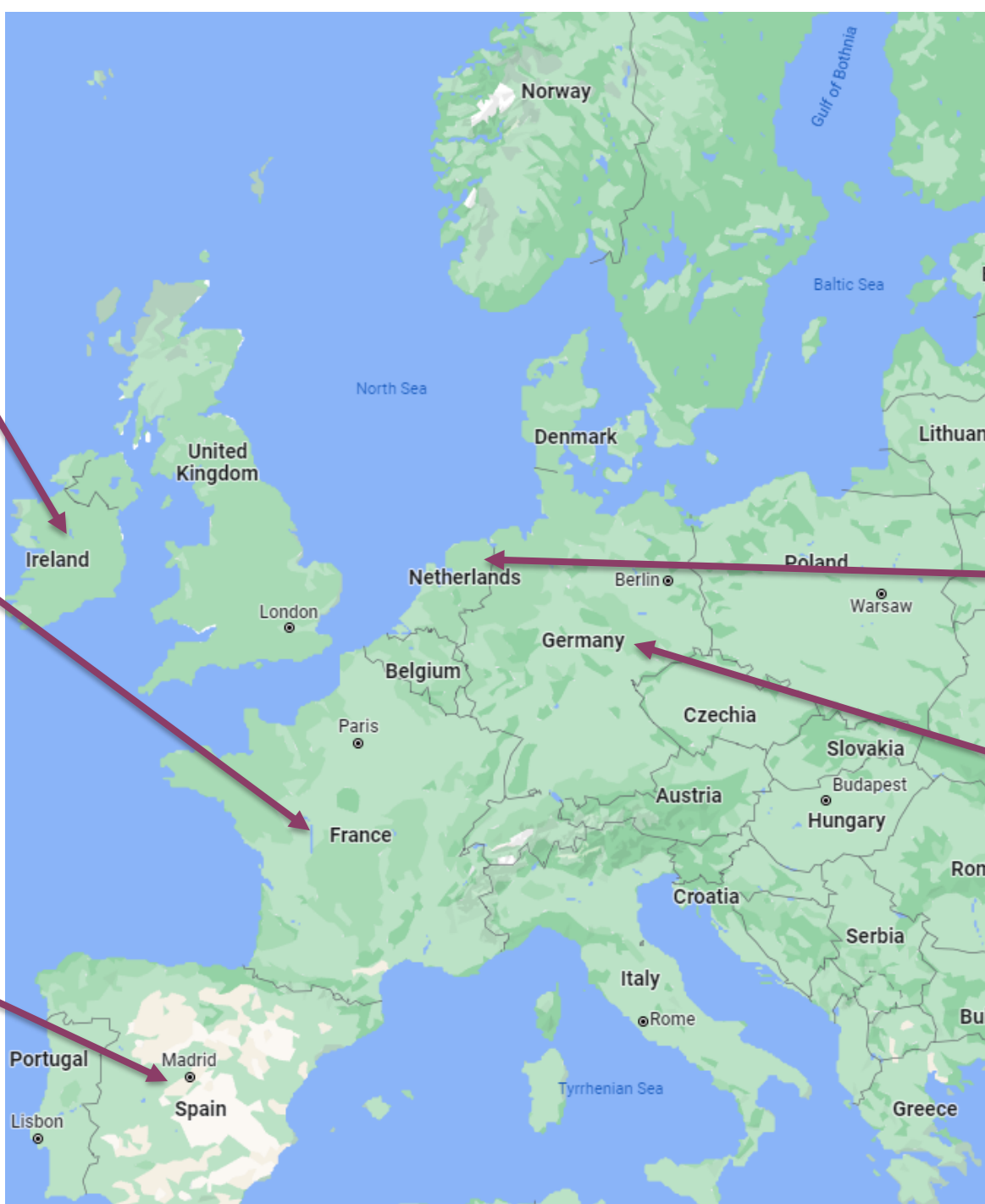
EHL

Hospitality

CAO

parcoursup
Entrez dans l'enseignement supérieur

UNED



**common
app**

STUDIELINK

assist

But the Majority
are Direct
Applications

Community Fit

- Motivation Levels
- Residential Life
- Extra-curriculars
- Values
- Missions
- Religious
- Political



FIT

what does it really mean?



Academic Fit

- Grade Eligibility
- Capacity to cope
- Desire to challenge yourself (current rigour)
- Writing Ability
- Core/G. Ed Program
- Teaching styles



Class Fit

- Personality
- Character
- How you will combine with the rest of the admitted students

Admissions Categories

Holistic: Admit to Class

Consideration of academic history, extra-curriculars, contribution to community etc.



Selective: Admit to Course

Academic qualification (subjects and/or grades)
Alongside motivation for studies and/or aptitude.



Holistic: Admit to Course

Consideration of academic suitability to course, extra-curriculars, contribution to course and wider community etc.



Non-Selective: Admit to Course

Meeting Eligibility Criteria, often subjects or grades



What is eligibility?

Equivalency to the state high school qualifications

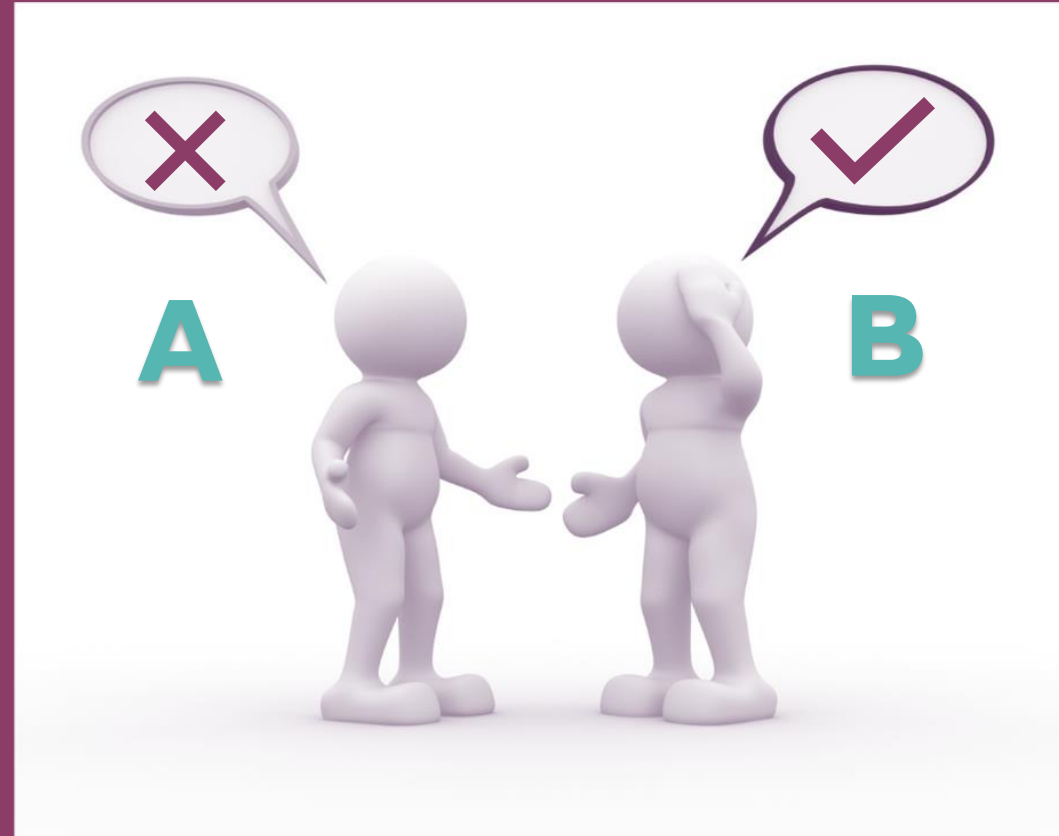
More emphasis on right subjects than high grades



Two students applying to study Business at a public university in Europe

A A-Level A*A*A* (43 777 HL IB)
Business
Politics
Philosophy

B A-Level CCC (32 555 HL IB)
Maths
Chemistry
Physics



Public

Larger Class Sizes

Most courses in native language

Lower number of international students

Less access to professors

Less likely to have accommodation

?? Extracurriculars

VS



Private

Smaller Class Sizes

Most courses in English

Higher number of international students

More access to professors

More likely to have accommodation

Extracurriculars ??

Fees, Passports & Residency

■ UK / Ireland Common Travel Area means no change in Ireland

■ UK students are now treated as non-EU in all other European countries

➡ No access to government funding

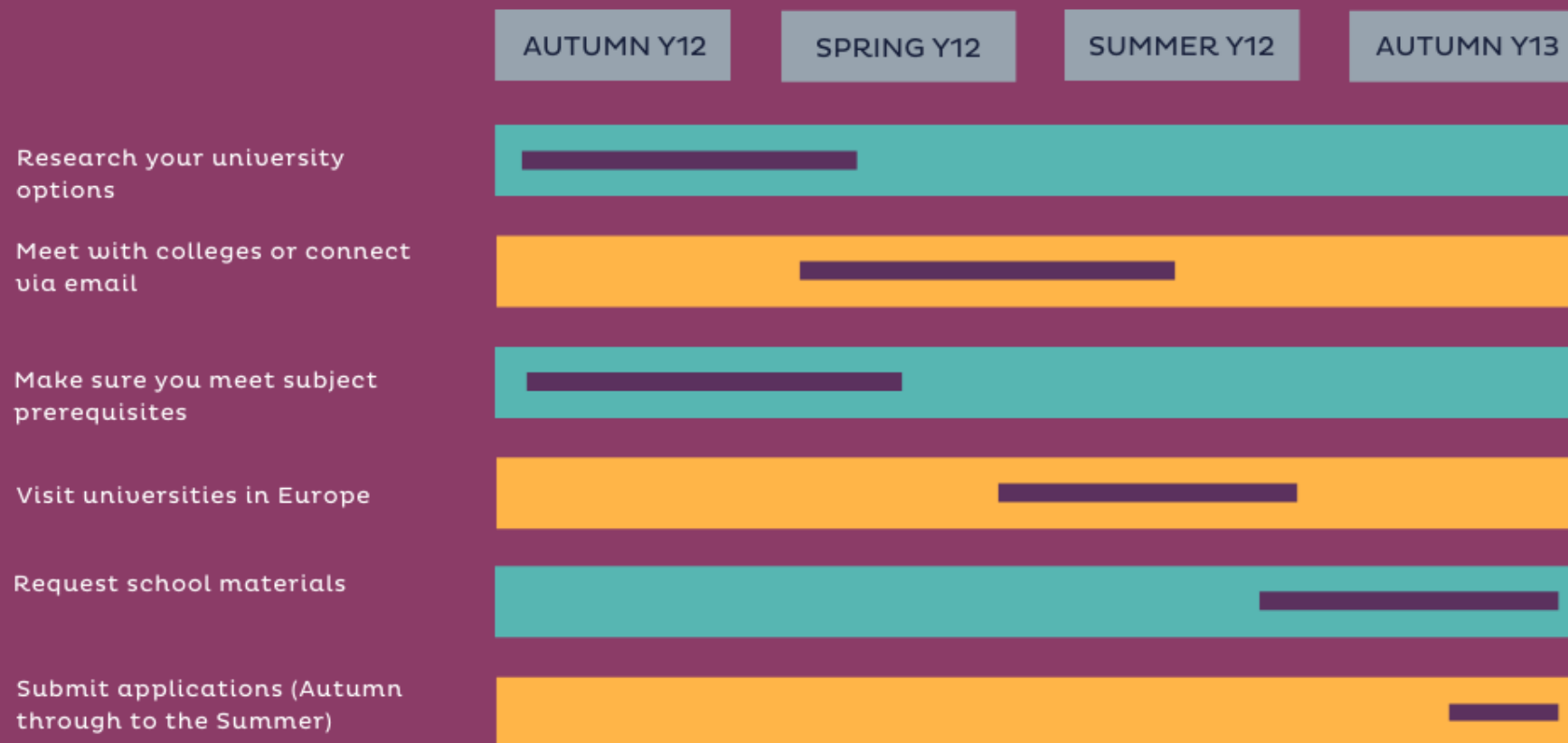
➡ Higher fee rates

□ Some universities treat EU and non-EU the same for fees e.g. (Germany, Flanders, private universities)

□ For dual nationals, most countries only require a European passport but some also require European residency (Ireland, Belgium)



EUROPEAN UNI TIMELINE



There is a huge range and no standardised deadlines even within countries

- NC/NF
- Early Round (Bocconi, AUC etc)
- Different final deadlines depending on visa need

Deposits are often required within a few weeks of offer.....

What might you need to submit



Academic history and predicted grades. Additional Test Scores

Teacher and/or counsellor recommendations

CV or information on extra-curriculars

Essays, statements, letters, or study plans

Application Writing



Motivational Letter

- Demonstrating your interest in the course and university, by reflecting on your research, exploration and experiences



CV / resume

- Demonstrating experience, skills, qualities, achievements and how to present themselves



Essay

- Personal: Who are you, what do you value, what will you bring to the community
- Academic: Do you have strong academic writing skills

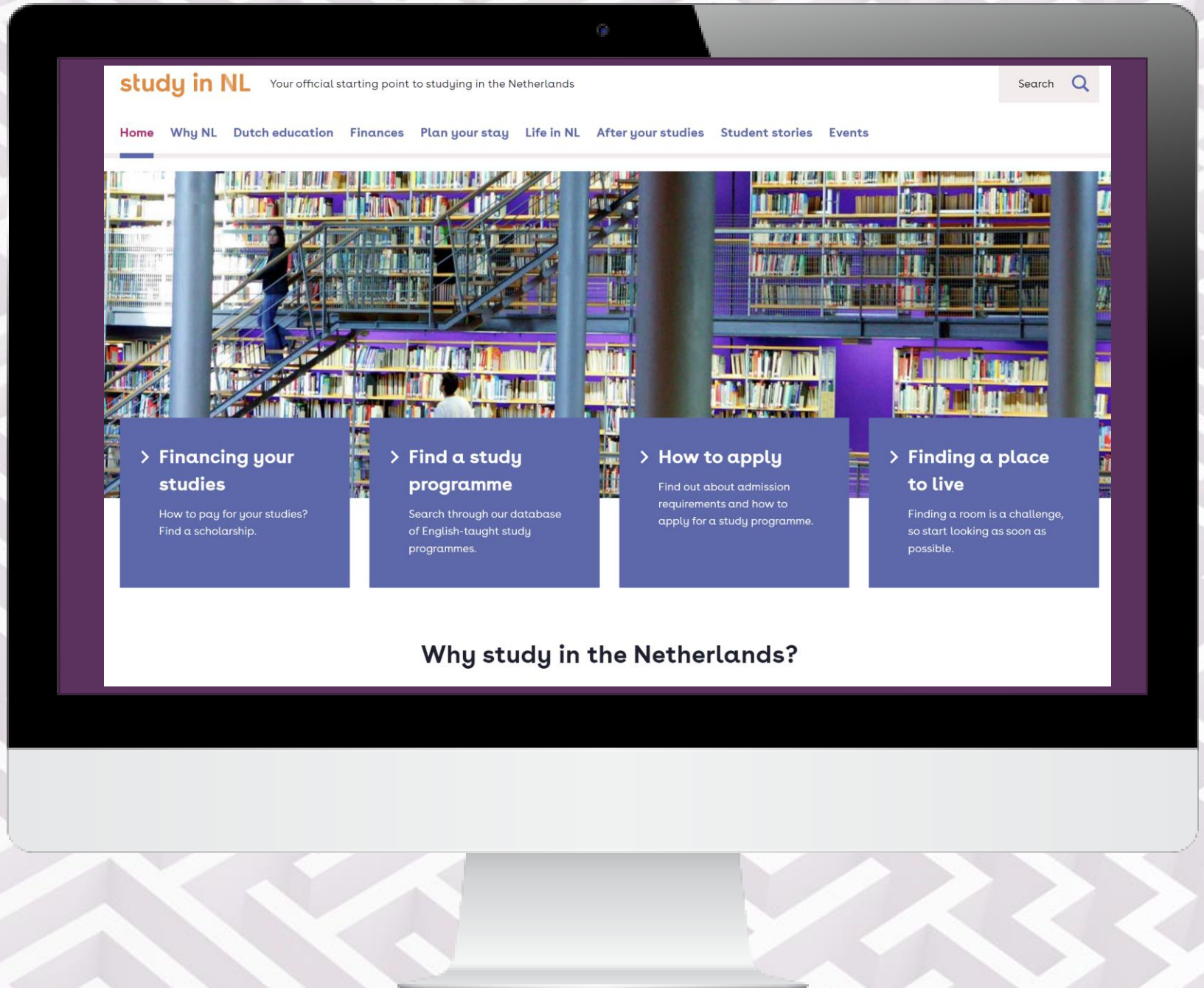


Degree specific questions

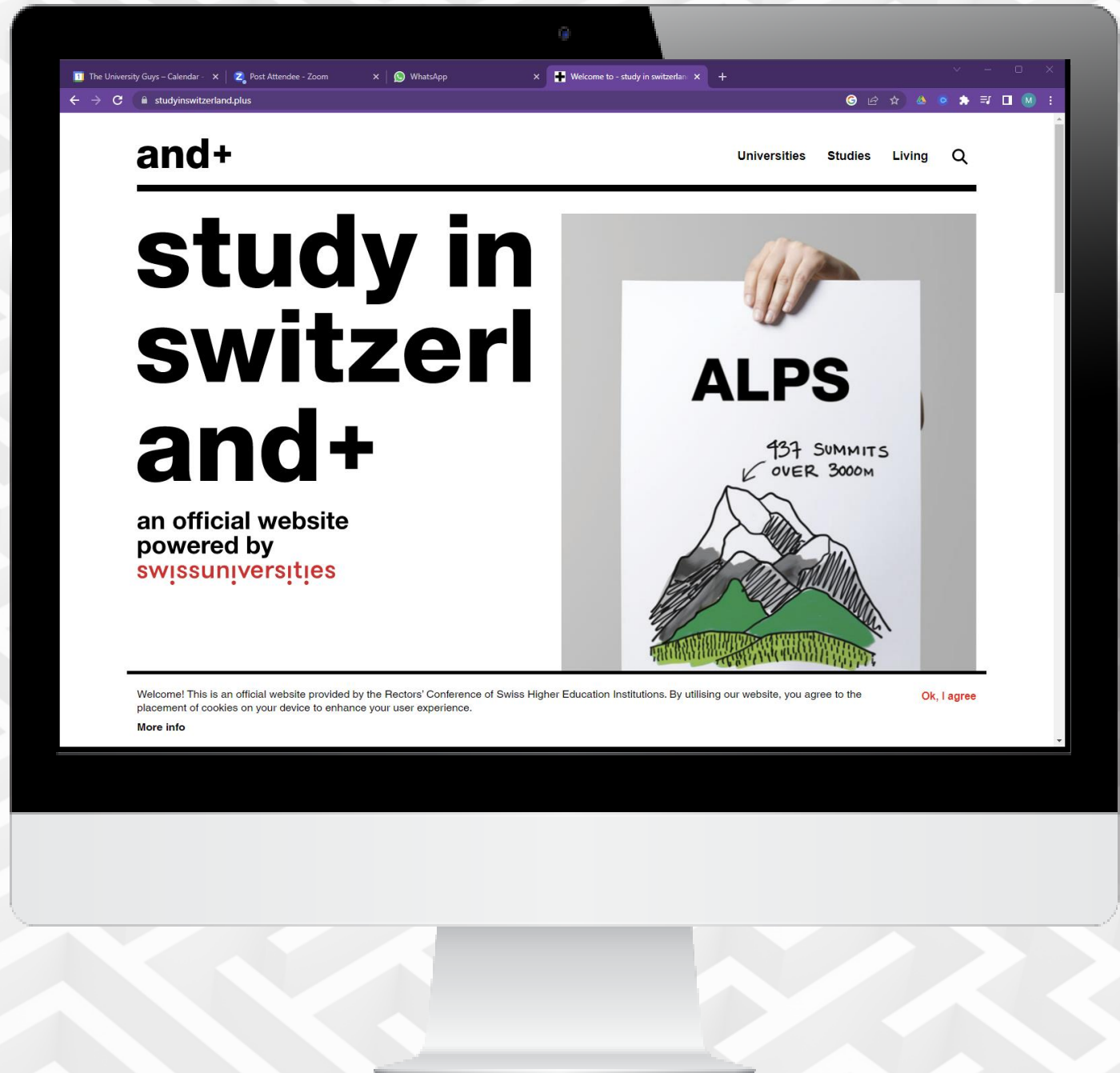
- Often replaces, or is part of a motivational letter
- e.g. Plan your study program and explain your choices

There is no standard process

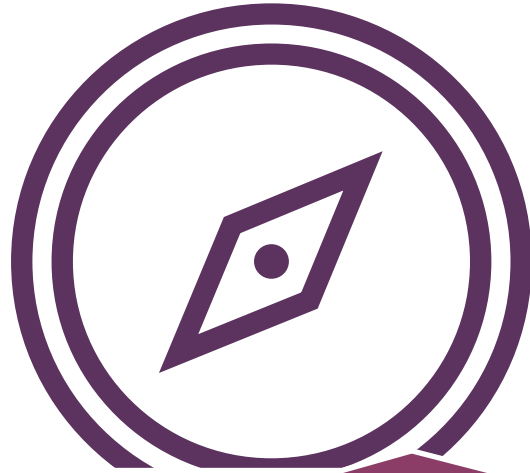
Useful Websites



Google:
“Study in
INSERT
COUNTRY”



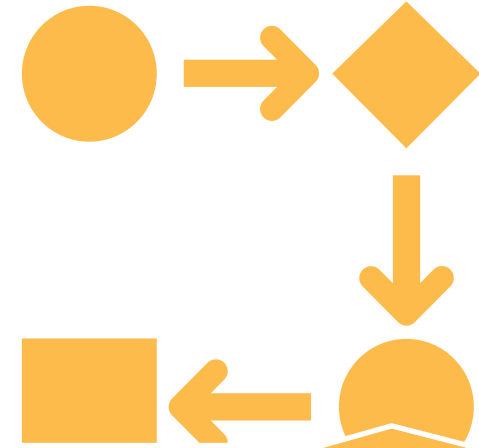
Every country is different



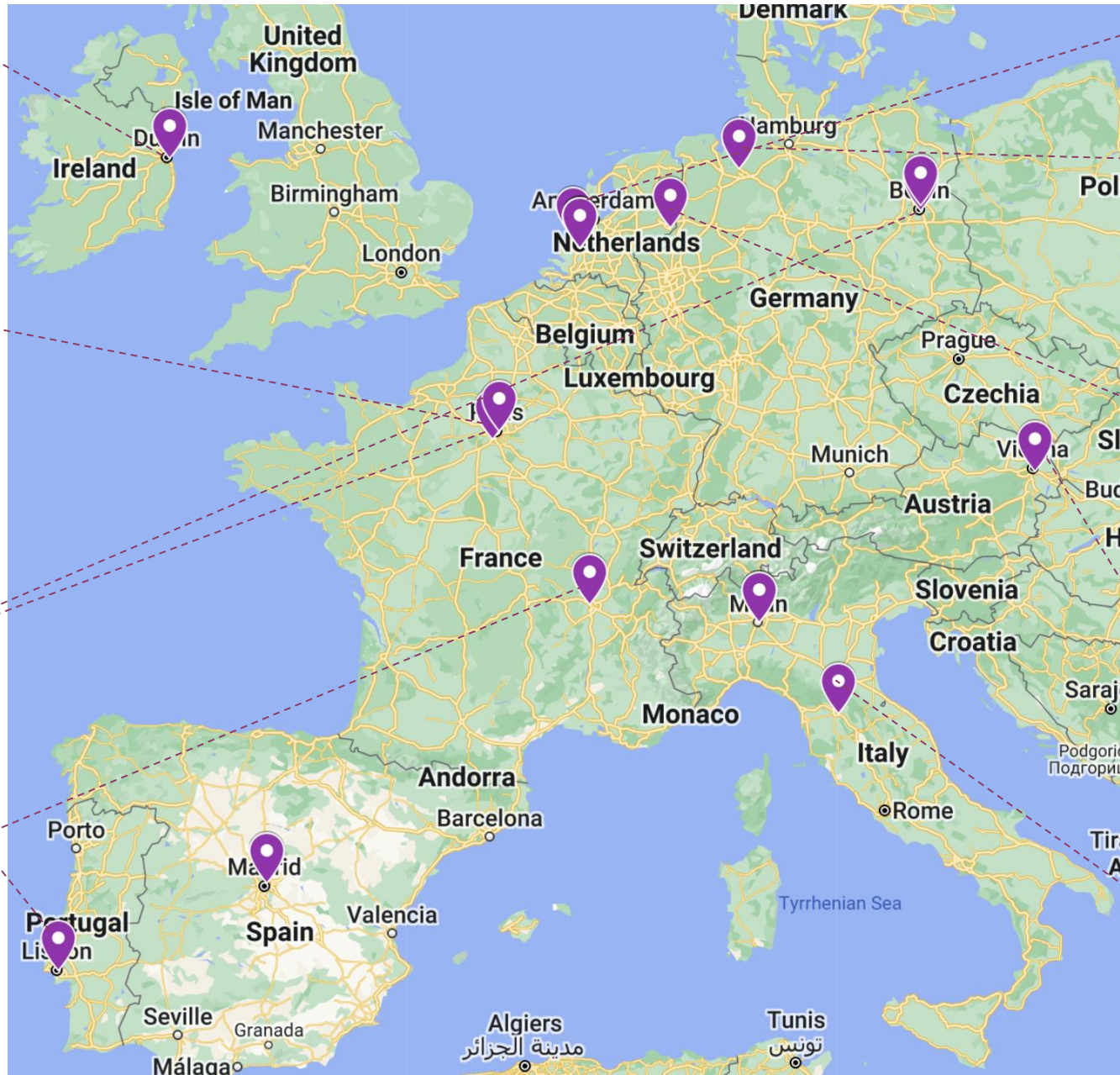
Explore Early



Check
deadlines



Understand
each process





So where might certain students choose to go?

Freddie Finance

- ❑ **Interested in Economics, Finance and Management.**
- ❑ **A Levels in Economics, Maths and Geography**
- ❑ **Travels widely with his family**
- ❑ **Has internships in finance and banking.**

IE University, Applied Maths, Data and Business Analytics, Economics

Trinity College Dublin, BESS

Erasmus School of Management
Econometrics and Economics double,
Economics and Business Economics

Ecole Polytechnique, L'x – Maths
and Economics

Stockholm School of Economics
Business and Economics, plus SAT/ACT/TSA

Bocconi
IEM or IEF

Pepe Politics

- ❑ Loves the humanities, has considered PPE in the UK and also Liberal Arts.
- ❑ Struggling to narrow down to one particular UK course and is attracted to the USA as an option.
- ❑ Wants a stimulating intellectual environment and a residential community

Dutch University Colleges (except ATLAS)

Bard College Berlin

Sciences Po

Central European University

American Curriculum: AUP, AUR, JCU, SLU, Franklin, etc

BA Arts at Irish Universities



Phyliss Physics

- Taking Maths, Physics and Computer Science A Levels, and loves the technical worlds of engineering, computing, physics and design.
- Is not hugely bothered about the social life of the university, but wants to be with like-minded people who share his STEM-based passions.
- Wants a pathway to a career in STEM

TU Delft and TU Eindhoven, or
ATLAS at Twente

Carl Benz School of Engineering

INSA Lyon

EPFL or ETH Zurich (assuming she has
GCSE's which include a foreign language)

Harbour Space University

Algebra University College, Croatia

Denzel Diplomat

- Is taking A Levels in History, Politics, and French and wants a career in an international organisation or governmental body.
- Has an international background and enjoys visiting world cities.
- In interested in studying in London, US or a major city, doesn't want a campus.

Leiden University College

Sciences Po inc. Dual Degrees

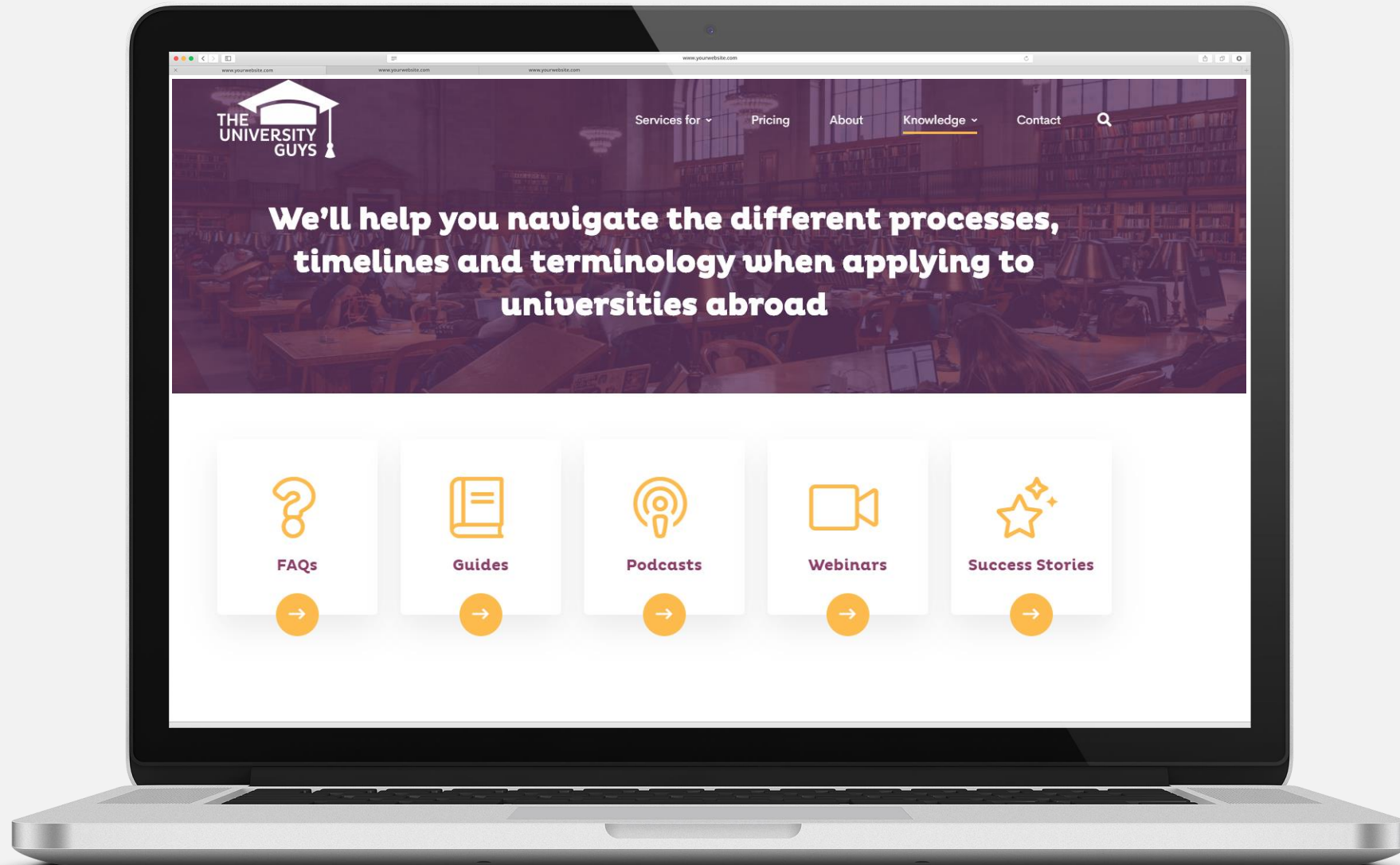
IE Dual Degrees

Brussels School of Gouvernance

Cattolica

ESADE

Resources online



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