THESIXTHFORM at Southmoor Academy

Personalised Pathway: *Army*

University Visits
Experience university first-hand
- WP Schemes, especially:
- Open Days
- UCAS Exhibition

UCAS
Research your university options using the following websites
- www.ucas.com *(Official platform and search tool)*
- www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/league-tables/rankings *(Compare rankings)*
- www.universityfinder.org.uk/ucas-points-calculator.html *(Match predicted grades with courses)*
- www.sacu-student.com *(Quiz to find your future course)*

Volunteering
Show your commitment through volunteering, both long-term and short-term
- Shadow staff at the BSU
- Scouts/Brownies/ Guides/Cadets
- 'Tough Mudder' run

Work Experience
Experience your chosen sector and boost relevant skills
- Army Insight Work Experience Course

EPQ
Explore your chosen area and choose a unique specialism
- Pick a project that links to the Armed Forces, and allows you to explore a subject that you can't do at A-level

Extra-Curricular
Expand your soft skills and become a well-rounded person
- Duke of Edinburgh
- NCS
- Vinspired
- Other clubs or hobbies
- Part-time work

Super-Curricular
Broaden your subject knowledge by reading, watching and listening to new things
- Radio: BBC Radio 4, 'Why are the British Armed Forces short of personnel?
- Book: Alan Mallinson, 'The Making of the British Army'
- Television: BBC, 'Army: Behind the New Frontlines'

Hot Topics
Keep up to date with current affairs in your area
- www.army.mod.uk
- www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence
- www.forces.net

Key Websites
Expand your horizons with additional study
- www.futurelearn.com – *Free online courses*
- www.myheplus.com – *Resources written by Cambridge University students*
- www.ted.com – *Videos by expert speakers, 'Ideas worth spreading'*
- www.oxplore.org – *A digital portal from Oxford University looking at 'big' questions*

Career pathway
Research different pathways to your chosen career
- www.prospects.ac.uk/employer-profiles/british-army-1610/jobs/ army-officer-2639804
- www.army.mod.uk/careers/

Edmodo
Sign up for updates and frequent opportunities
- www.edmodo.com – Southmoor Sixth Form Aspirations

In-School Support
Ask if you need anything more specific!
- Personal statement advice
- Mock interviews