

## Facilitating Subjects

The following is the 1994 Group statement on facilitating subjects. For more detailed information please refer to the individual responses of our member institutions.

Members of the 1994 Group are: University of Bath, Birkbeck University of London, Durham University, University of East Anglia, University of Essex, University of Exeter, Goldsmiths University of London, Institute of Education University of London, Royal Holloway University of London, Lancaster University, University of Leicester, Loughborough University, Queen Mary University of London, University of Reading, University of St Andrews, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of Surrey, University of Sussex and University of York.

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The 1994 Group fully supports the Government's desire, as outlined in The Higher Education White Paper '[Students at the Heart of the System](#)', for a diverse higher education system geared towards meeting the high expectations of students. In the White Paper the Government highlights the need for schools and students to understand which GCSE and A-level choices offer the best route to which degree courses. The 1994 Group agrees that this is important and is committed to providing clear information, advice and guidance for prospective students.

We support the concept of facilitating subjects outlined by the Russell Group report '[Informed Choices](#)'. These subjects, Mathematics and Further Maths, English, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Geography, History, and Languages (Classical and Modern), are those which increase the scope of university level study available to prospective students.

However, it should be noted that 1994 Group institutions take a broad view on appropriate subjects that allow for entry to university courses. It is not the opinion of the 1994 Group that there are 'hard' and 'soft' subjects and 1994 Group universities take individual merits and qualifications into consideration when making admissions decisions. The Group encourages entry to university from all sectors of society, and therefore keeps an open mind about appropriate qualifications.

Please consult the entry requirements of individual 1994 Group members for further information.