



University Clearing & Adjustment

Stay on track

Before results day it is important you know what your options are. Take time to read our guidance and look at the UCAS website for all of the latest information and guidance.

If you have any questions, get in touch with us. We are here to help!

What is Clearing?

Clearing is the way universities and colleges fill their spaces each year. You can apply for a course in clearing if you are not already holding an offer. Clearing opens on 6th July 2020 and closes on 20th October 2020.

Who can use Clearing?

- Anyone applying to university after 30th June
- Anyone holding no offers or accepting no offers
- Anyone not meeting the conditions of their offers (results day)
- Anyone declining their firm and insurance choices



How do I apply using Clearing?

If you are thinking of applying through Clearing before results day, contact a member of the Sixth Form team before doing anything rash such as declining all of your offers!

See what courses are available and do you research by using the UCAS Clearing search tool. This is the only place where vacancies are updated frequently.

Consider looking at courses and subjects that differ from your original plans; there may be an alternative route to reach your end goal.

Just as you did with your application, check the details of the course, eg how it is assessed, what the modules look like, and think about whether it will suit you.

Keep checking the list, vacancies will change as some courses which are full now may not be on results day.

Speak to universities and ask questions or discuss any concerns; they may be willing to accept you on different terms.

What is Adjustment?

You have done better than expected! If you have met and exceeded the conditions needed for your first choice university, you may want to adjust.

Adjustment opens on results day until 31st August. Although lots of popular courses may be full, other applicants may have missed their conditions, therefore releasing places. You keep your place at your firm choice until you decide to decline it and <u>accept a place</u>

anywhere else. This is risk free shopping around!



Clearing Plus?

This year UCAS has launched a new feature. You will be matched to courses in Clearing using information from your application and universities. If you are not holding a place you will be able to select this in Track following a button "My Matches".

I found a course in Clearing

When you find a course you like and have have gained permission from the university, you can add it in Track. Click *add clearing choice* and fill in the details of the university and course. You can only accept ONE course at a time as this now becomes your firm choice.

Where can I find out more?

The UCAS website has a detailed guide on how to search and add courses in Clearing. Use the links below to search for vacancies and look at their FAQ. Use the QR codes above by opening the camera on your phone, place the image in the view finder and the website link will appear.

What to do next?

Be prepared for results day by reading through the UCAS website information before. It can be helpful to arrive to school with the admissions contact details for your firm and insurance choices so you can make any calls you need to with ease.

Consider your plan B, most students never need to use it but knowing you have a plan can help relieve some of the stress and anxiety that mounts in the lead up to the day.

Have a look through Clearing and see which Universities have places but remember these will likely change again on results day.

Take the time to look at virtual open days and tours which are happening now, especially if you are considering another University it can help with your decision making on results day.

Useful Links

Clearing

https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/resultsconfirmation-and-clearing/what-clearing

https://digital.ucas.com/search

Adjustment

https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/apply -and-track/results/ucas-adjustment-if-youve-donebetter-expected See you on 13th August for results day!



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