A LEVEL RESULTS DAY 2020

Congratulations! You've received your results, now what are your options?

KEY POINTS:

- Date: 13th August 2020
- Find out from your school when you will be able to access your results.
 Some schools may be sending these online this year and others may be open for you to collect them.
- UCAS Track will be open for applicants from 8am. In some cases, it may already show whether or not you have been accepted on your university course. However you may need to allow some time for the decisions to be processed, as each university manages this differently.
- Any correspondence from the university and decisions made will be communicated through UCAS Track, so ensure you know your log in details and your UCAS ID number.

There will be different options available to you on results day:

Outcome	What does this mean?
You have an offer!	This means that you have met the conditions of either your Conditional Firm or your Conditional Insurance choices. You will automatically be placed on this course. If you choose to decline this, you will be entered into Clearing.
You're eligible for adjustment!	This means that you have achieved higher grades that your Conditional Firm requires. This means that you have the option of securing an alternative place at a more aspirational university with higher entry requirements.
You have been entered into Clearing.	This will happen if you did not meet the conditions of your Firm or Insurance courses. You may also place yourself into Clearing if you change your mind and decline your offer. You can do this through Track or by speaking to the university. Clearing+ shows you courses that UCAS has worked out may be a good fit for you, however you do not need to choose one of these courses.
You have been offered a place on an alternative course.	This may happen if you don't quite meet the requirements for your chosen course but the university is still interested in offering you an alternative pathway. You can either choose to accept or decline this. If you decline it, you can then be entered into Clearing.

CLEARING

Your UCAS Track will be updated as to whether you have been entered into Clearing. This will either be because you did not meet the conditions of your offers, or because you have decided to decline your offer. You will be given a clearing number in Track.

You are able to search for course vacancies through UCAS HERE.

Once a vacancy has been found that you are interested in, you will need to call up the university to discuss the possibility of gaining a place.

Universities set up special clearing helplines with plenty of staff on hand to help you. In 2018, 60,100 students got a university place through clearing last year so you are not alone in this process.

You will need to give them your Clearing number and UCAS personal ID.

Prepare to tell/ask them:

- Why you are interested in the course.
- Why you are interested in the university.
- Can they offer accommodation?
- Do they need to see your proof of qualifications?

If you are offered a provisional place through Clearing, you'll usually be given a date by which you must enter the course details on your UCAS Track. Universities/colleges will not be able to formalise offers until you have entered the course details into Track.

CLEARING PLUS

UCAS is offering a new service this year called <u>Clearing Plus</u>. This is an OPTIONAL service where if you are entered into Clearing, UCAS will take what they know about you and suggest courses that may be a good fit.

You are able to express an interest in a course, and then that university or college can contact you. But remember, courses in Clearing fill up quickly, and you may not always receive a call. Therefore, we'd recommend that you contact other options too.

ADJUSTMENT

If you exceed expectations with your A level results and do better than your Firm Choice requires, you have the option to go through <u>Adjustment</u> where you have the chance to secure yourself a place on a more aspirational course.

You have a chance to do this from 8am on 13th August until the 1st September. You can register for this in Track.

Once you register for Adjustment, you have five days to secure yourself an alternative place. If you don't do this or you change your mind, don't worry! You will still keep your place at your current choice of university. You will need your UCAS ID in order for the universities to see your application.

There is no adjustment vacancy list; it is your responsibility to contact universities and discuss securing a place through adjustment with them. When you are speaking to them, ensure you make it clear whether you are enquiring or accepting a place through Adjustment.

If you register for Adjustment in error, you don't need to worry and don't need to take any further action as after the five days are up, your initial university offer will remain. If a uni or college offers you a place over the phone, you just need to let them know if you'd like to accept it. Remember you can only have one Adjustment offer, and it's the university or college that will add themselves to your application, so make sure you're happy with it and it's definitely what you want to do!

KEY LINKS/FURTHER INFORMATION

- UCAS Track
- Declining your unconditional offer?
- More details on Clearing
- List of Clearing vacancies
- More details on Adjustment
- Overview of UCAS and results
- <u>Key Dates</u>
- Higher Apprenticeships