

Congratulations!

If either your firm choice (or your insurance if you missed your firm offer) is marked **unconditional**, your place is secure. Make sure you check your emails (including junk mailbox) for info from the unis

Want to Change Uni?

Discouraged at this stage, but if you are sure you want to apply to other unis, self-release into Clearing by using (NB this cannot be undone) the “decline your place” button. You can do this from July 5th. NB – if accepted on your firm choice, your insurance choice is automatically declined, so you have to contact them to see if they have space, if you now wish to go there.

Place Confirmed

Universities may award the place, anyway, check your UCAS Hub application portal to see if your Firm or Insurance choice is marked as Confirmed (Unconditional).

Alternative Offer

Your Firm/Insurance uni may make you an alternative offer (e.g. for a different course), which you can accept or turn down on Track

Awaiting Decision

Your Firm/Insurance Choice may still be considering whether to award you a place, if you have missed the offer, contact them to find out if there is anything they need from you. You can “decline your place” to enter Clearing.

Grades Appeal

The grounds for appealing grades are limited.

Appeal to University

You may be considered for an alternative course (e.g. foundation) at your preferred uni. Contact them if you'd like to see if this is possible.

Retake Exams

You can re-take exams in the next academic year and re-apply through the next UCAS cycle.

Clearing

If you still want to go to university, then you can use the Clearing process to find an alternative university place.

Missed Grades

Place Confirmed or Awaiting Decision

You have not gained the entry requirements, but you have not been released into clearing.

Missed Grades Place Unsuccessful

Your grades were not high enough for your place to be confirmed, and your choices have been marked as unsuccessful.

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Unconditional Offer Holder

You are holding an unconditional place as your firm choice, and this has been marked as confirmed.

Conditional Offer

You are holding a conditional firm or insurance place, and your place has been marked as confirmed.

Exceeded Predicted Grades

Your summer grades are higher than those originally predicted on your UCAS application.

No Longer Want to Go to University

You have decided that you do not wish to go to university in this cycle.

Withdraw

Use the “Decline your place” option to withdraw from your offer(s). NB this cannot be undone.

Change Course?

If you want to go to the same uni but a different course, contact the uni to discuss this. There is no guarantee it will be possible, but you can ask.

Congratulations

If either your firm choice (or your insurance - if you missed your firm offer) is now confirmed (marked as unconditional), your place is secure. Make sure you check your emails (including junk mailbox) for info from the unis

Clearing

You *can* contact universities with higher entry requirements than your original predictions, to see if they have space. If they do and they say they would offer you a place, you will then apply through Clearing. Do NOT enter Clearing until you are sure you want to do this/have an offer from another university. Entering Clearing will lose your current offers.

If you decline your place, you can use Clearing Plus, which will automatically show you potential options.