

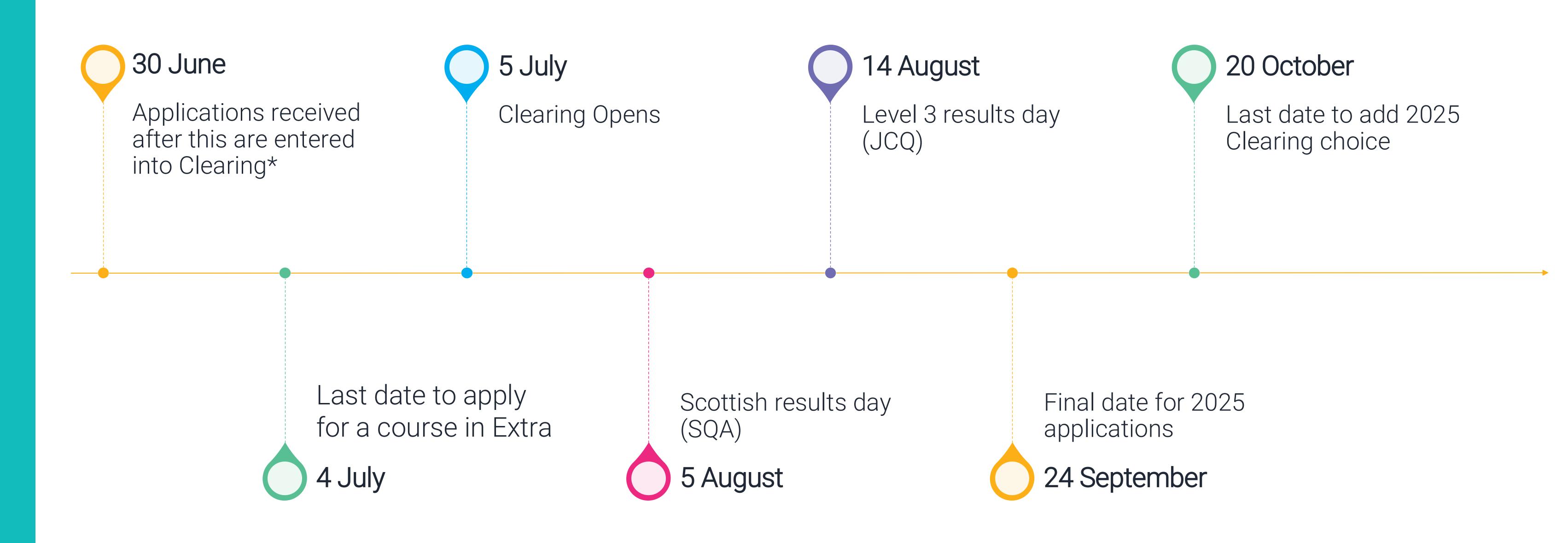
CONFIRMATION AND CLEARING 2025

What you need to know





KEY DATES



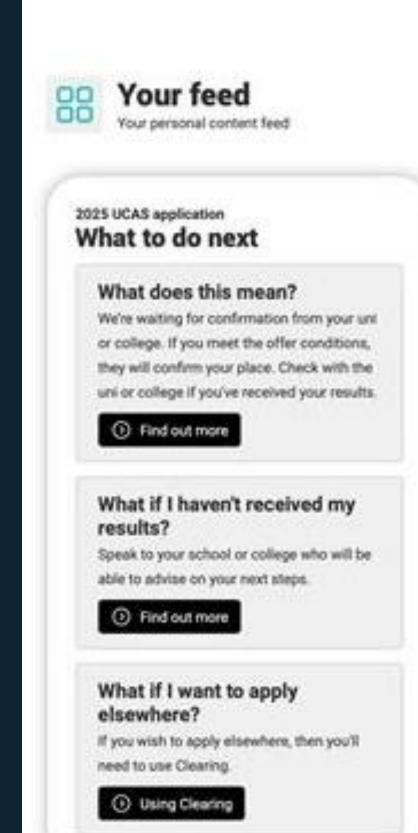
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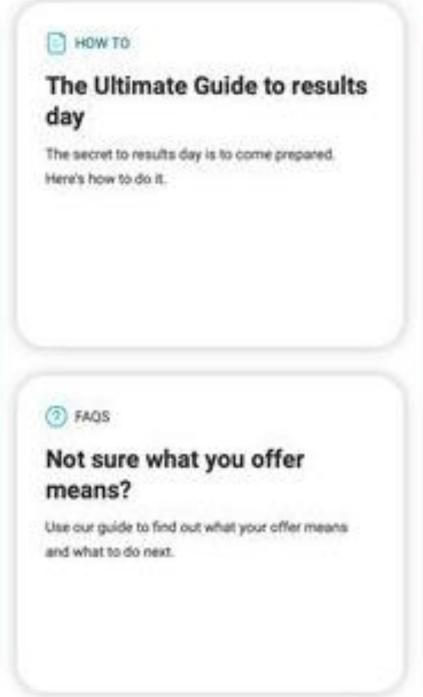
WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

- Confirmation is when universities and colleges check if you've met the conditions of your offer based on your results.
- It's the final step to secure your place at your chosen university or college.
- If you meet the requirements, your place is confirmed. If not, you'll have other options to explore.
- UCAS will provide personalised updates throughout the process.













WHAT COULD HAPPEN AT CONFIRMATION?

You meet the conditions of your firm or insurance

University/college confirms your place.

You can look for a new opportunity in Clearing and decline your confirmed place.

More info on ucas.com on our page: what your application status means.

You exceed the conditions of your firm or insurance

University/college confirms your place.

You can look for a new opportunity in Clearing and decline your confirmed place.

You don't meet the conditions of your firm or insurance

University/college may choose to confirm your place even if you slightly miss the grades.

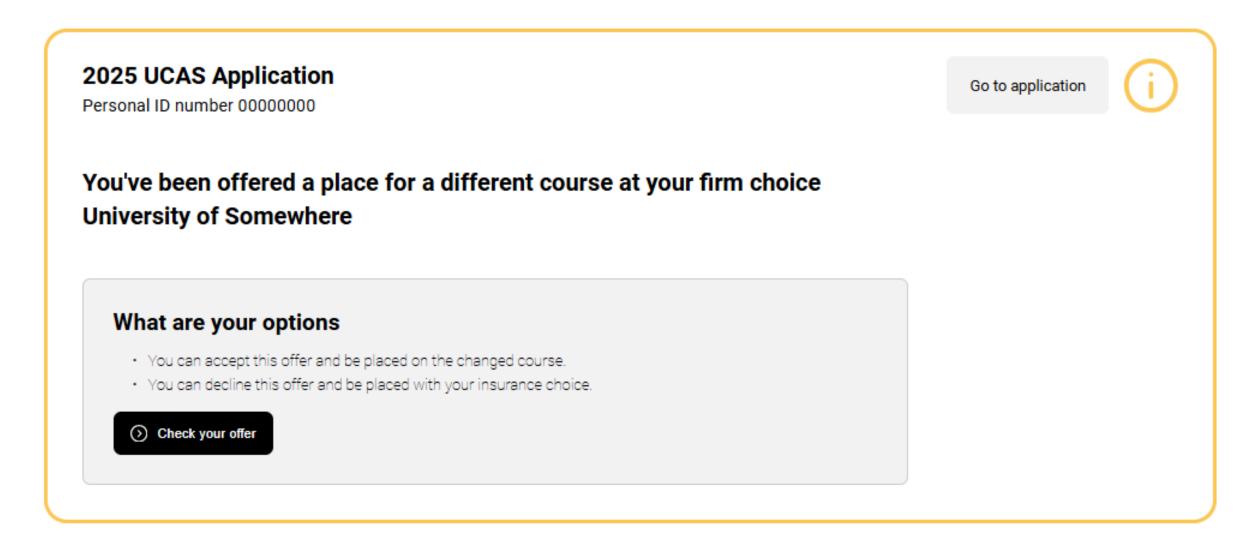
University/college may offer a change of course offer.

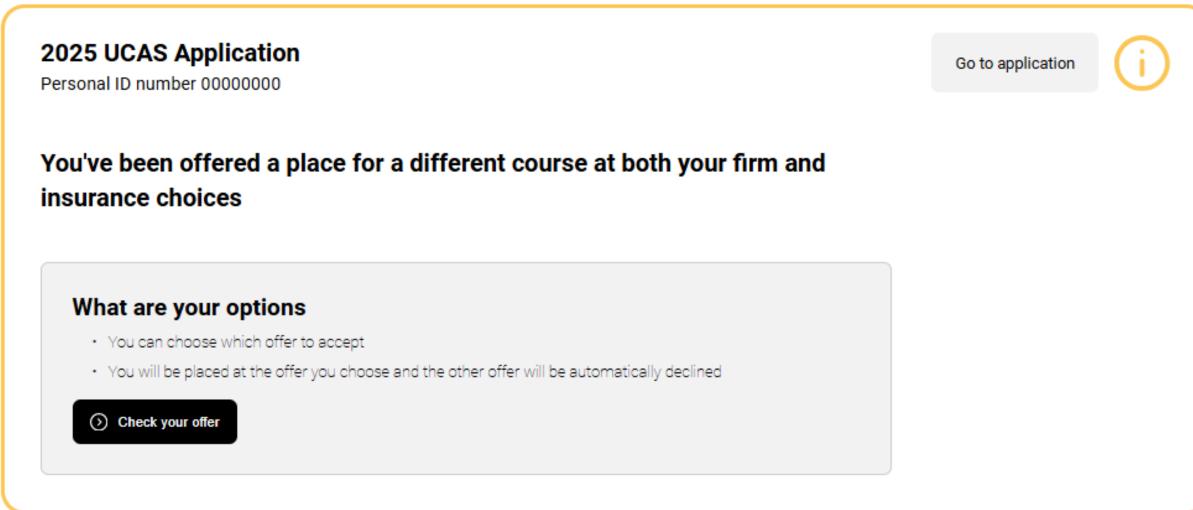
You're not placed at the university/college.

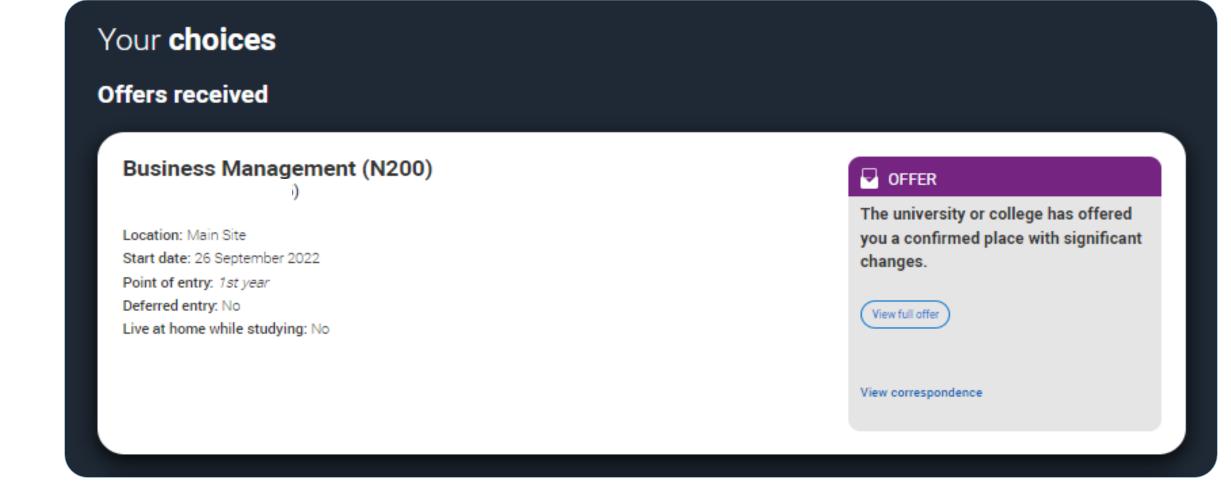


WHAT IS A CHANGE OF COURSE OFFER?

- You may find your firm or insurance choice offers you a different course, start date, or point of entry.
- You have five calendar days to accept or decline a course change (in your application).
- It's important to review the details carefully and read UCAS advice on what to do next.
- If you have any questions about the changes, contact the university or college.









STILL WAITING FOR A DECISION?

- Your choice may not have made a confirmation decision yet.
- If this happens, there may be an explanation in your application, such as needing to send your results directly or still needing to meet one of the conditions.
- If you have any concerns, check your emails and contact the university or college to discuss.



Welcome back Becca

You're applying in 2025 - Change year

2025 UCAS Application

Personal ID number 00000000

Go to application



University of Somewhere is still deciding on your application

University message: We have not received the results of your A-Level qualification(s). In order to make a decision on your application, we require evidence of your A level Chemistry grade A taken in 2022. Please send a photo of your certificate to results@university.ac.uk, quoting your UCAS ID.

What to do next

- · Check if the university or college has given a reason for why they are still deciding on your application.
- If there are instructions from the university or college informing you what you need to do to help them
 make a decision please follow them.
- If there are no instructions from the university or college, contact them to find out if there is anything you
 need to do to help them make a decision.



CLEARING MADE SIMPLE

Clearing	Not holding a place? You can still secure a place at a university or college through Clearing and start your studies this year.
Clearing Plus	If you're eligible for Clearing use 'My matches' in your application to find courses matched to you.
Decline my place	Changed your mind? You can use Clearing if you no longer want to attend your confirmed place or want to explore other options.



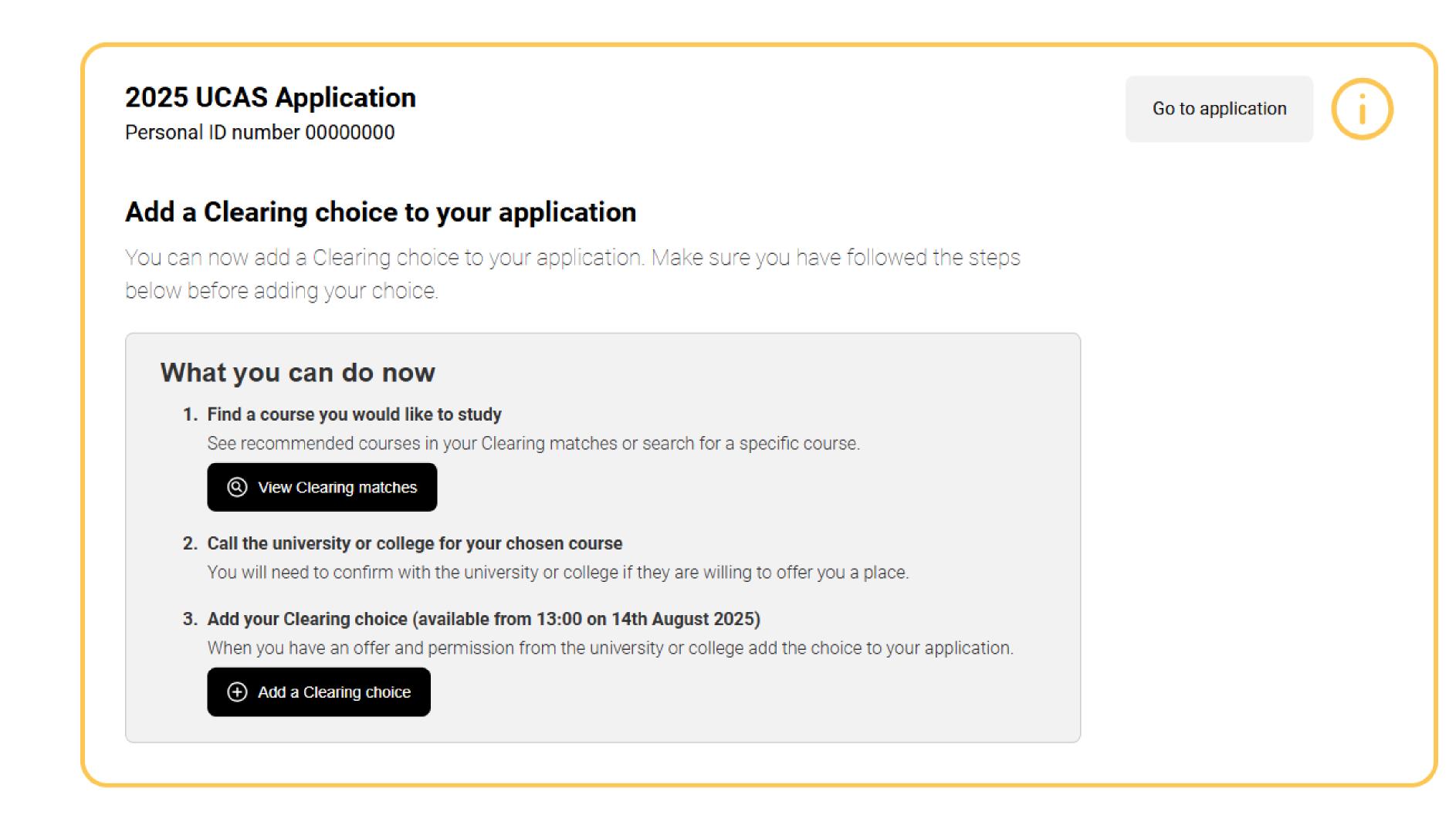


CLEARING EXPLAINED

Your chance to find an opportunity; Clearing runs between 5 July – 20 October.

To use it you need to have:

- applied before 30 June and have no offers
- applied before 30 June and declined any offers received
- didn't meet the conditions of your firm or insurance choice
- applied after 30 June (a new application; you haven't applied yet)





HOW CLEARING WORKS

Research options

- Explore available courses on UCAS.
- Check course details and entry requirements.

Make contact

- Contact universities and colleges you're interested in.
- Ask about availability and discuss your application.

Get offers

- Receive verbal offers (you can get more than one).
- Compare and decide which is best for you.

Add your choice

- Choose one course to add to your application.
- Be sure to do this within the time limit given.

Confirmation

- The university or college reviews your full UCAS application.
- If all good you're officially placed on the course

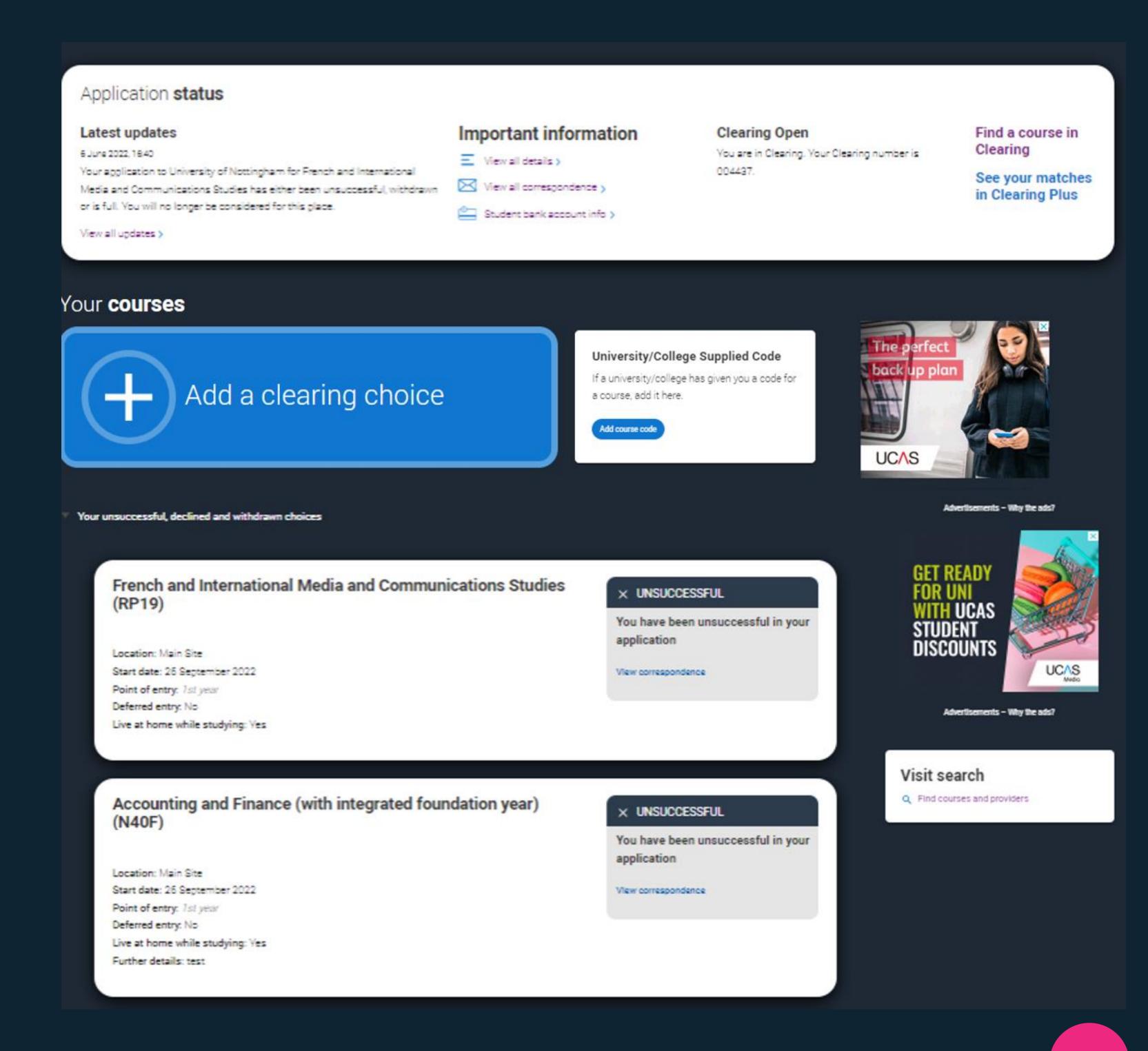
If unsuccessful, you can start again.

ADDING A CLEARING CHOICE

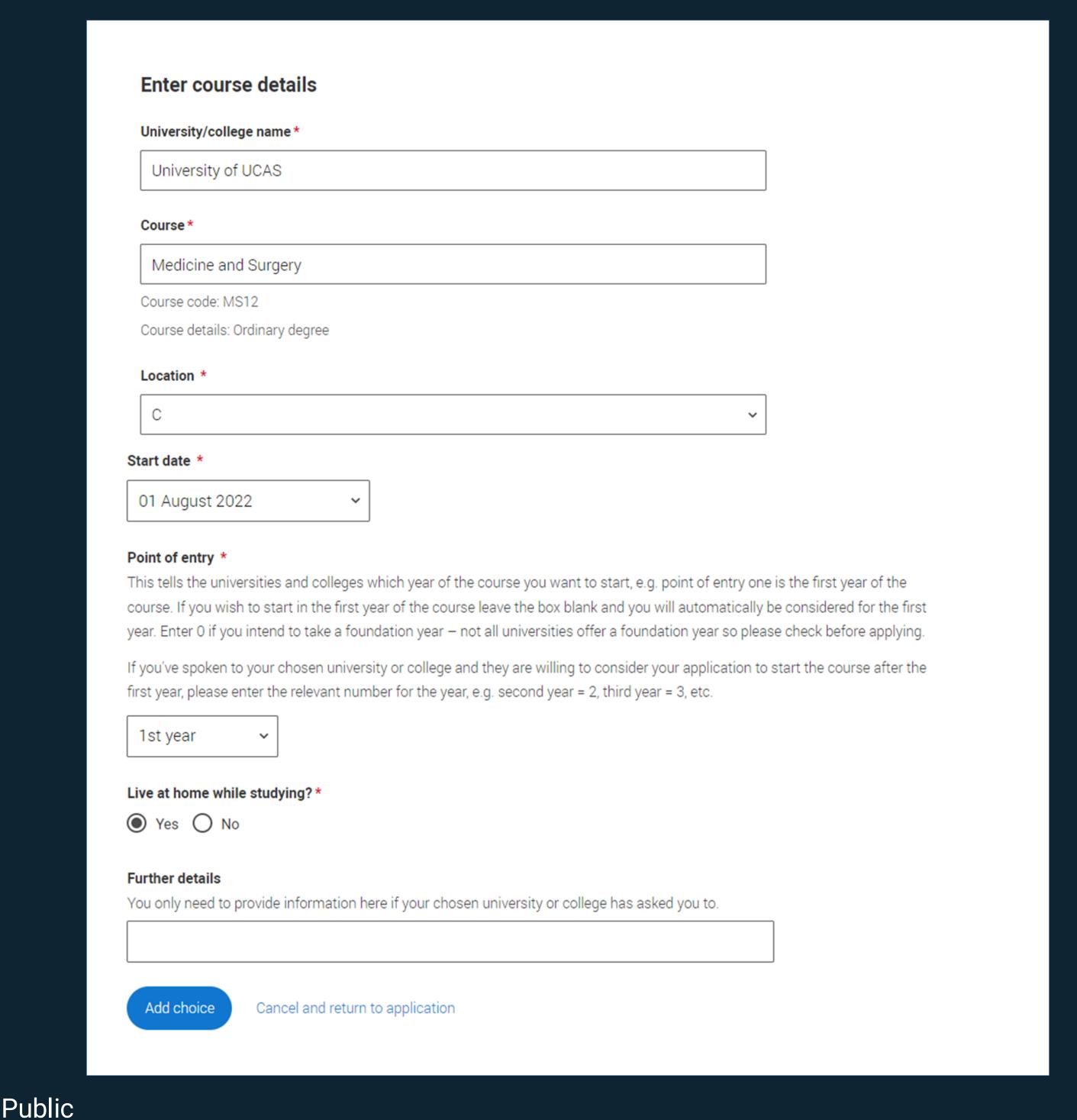
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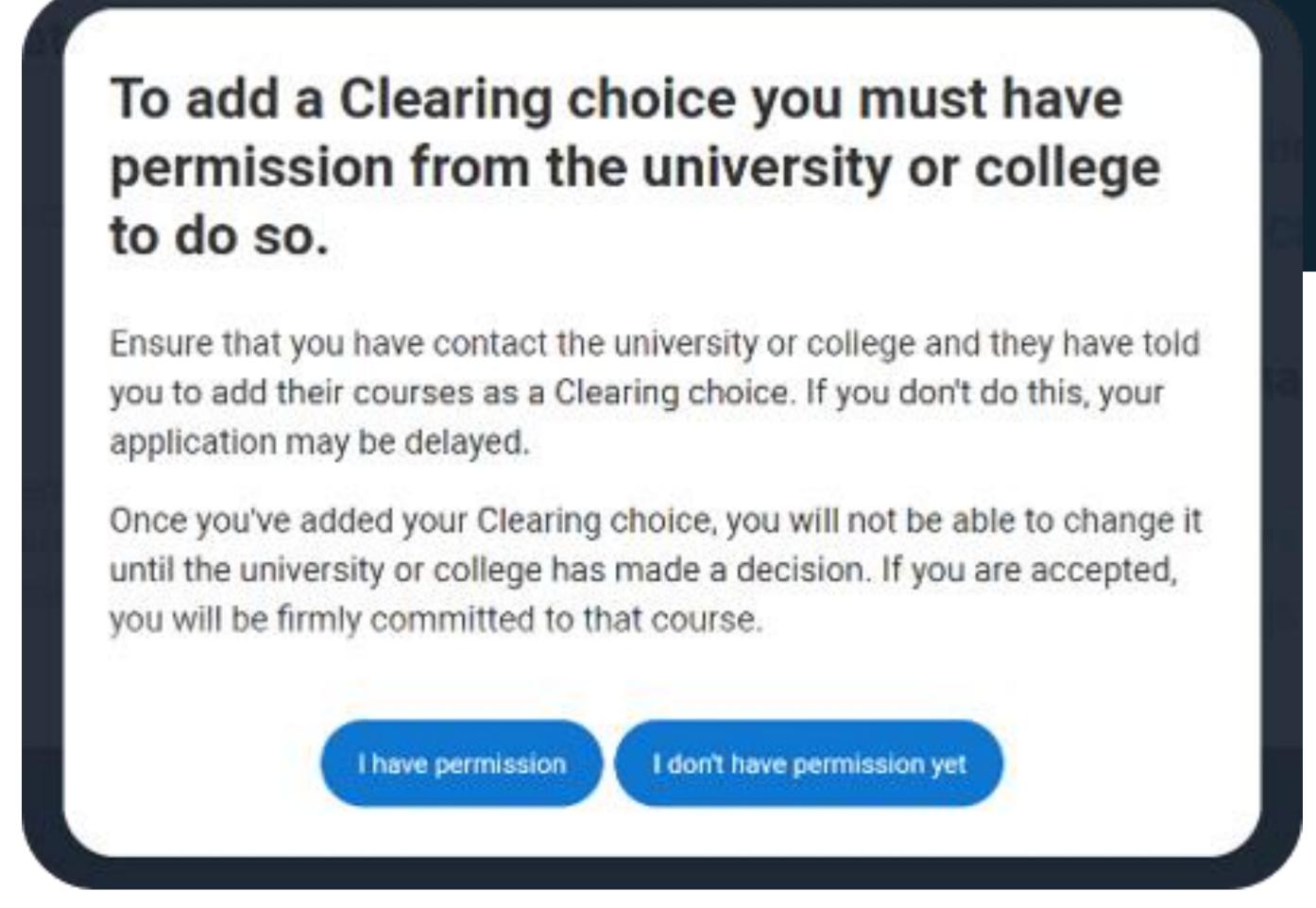
• 13:00 on JCQ Level 3 results day*.

*All timings are UK time



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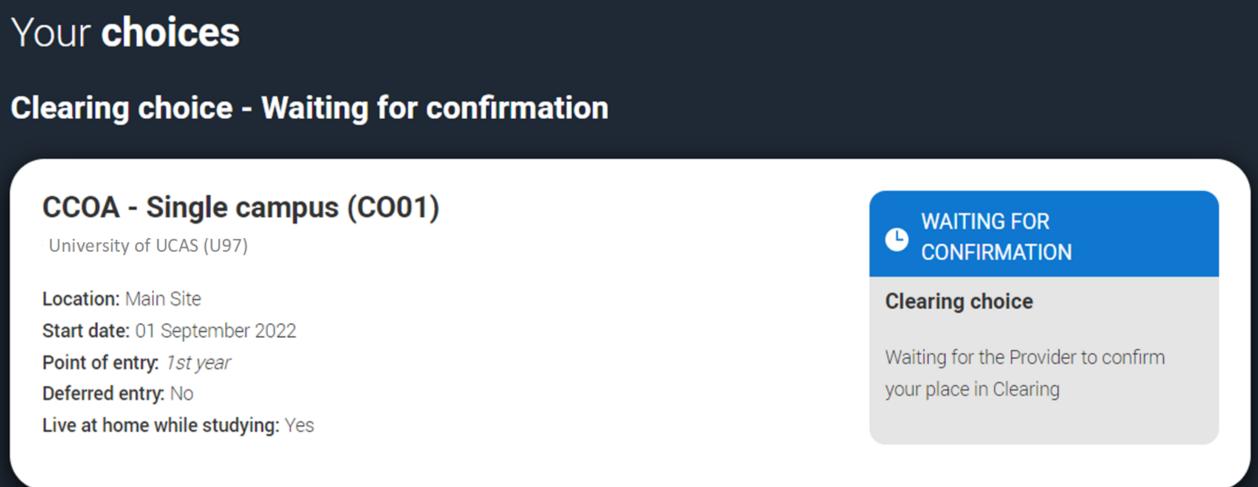


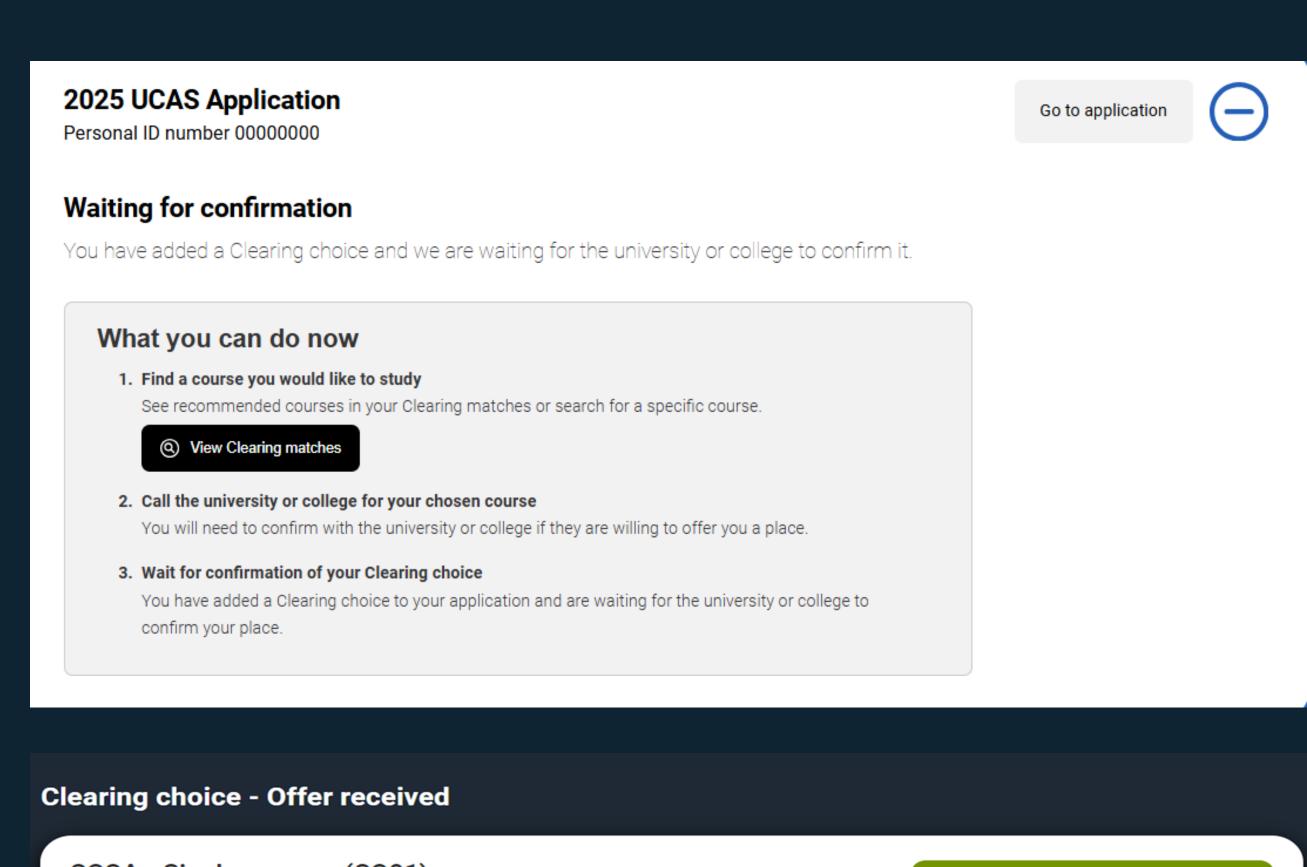


- You should only add a Clearing choice after getting permission from the university or college.
- You must enter your chosen Clearing choice within the deadline set by the university or college.

ADDING A CLEARING CHOICE

- You can only add one Clearing choice to your application.
- If the university or college doesn't accept your Clearing choice (Unsuccessful) or if you choose to use 'Decline my place' after it's been accepted, you'll be able to add a new Clearing choice.



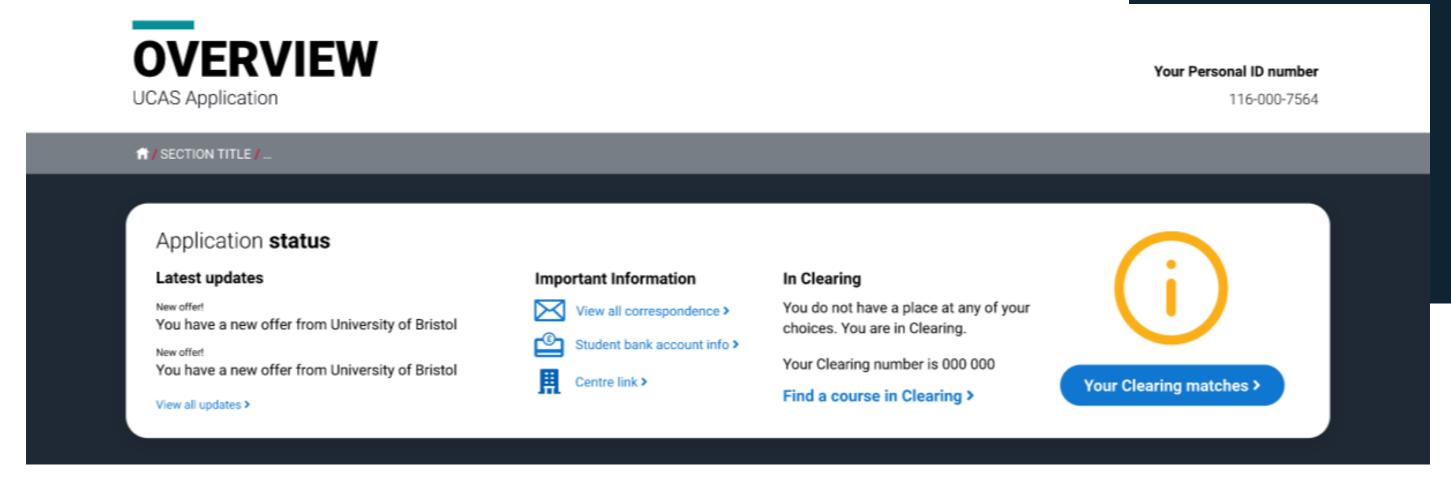


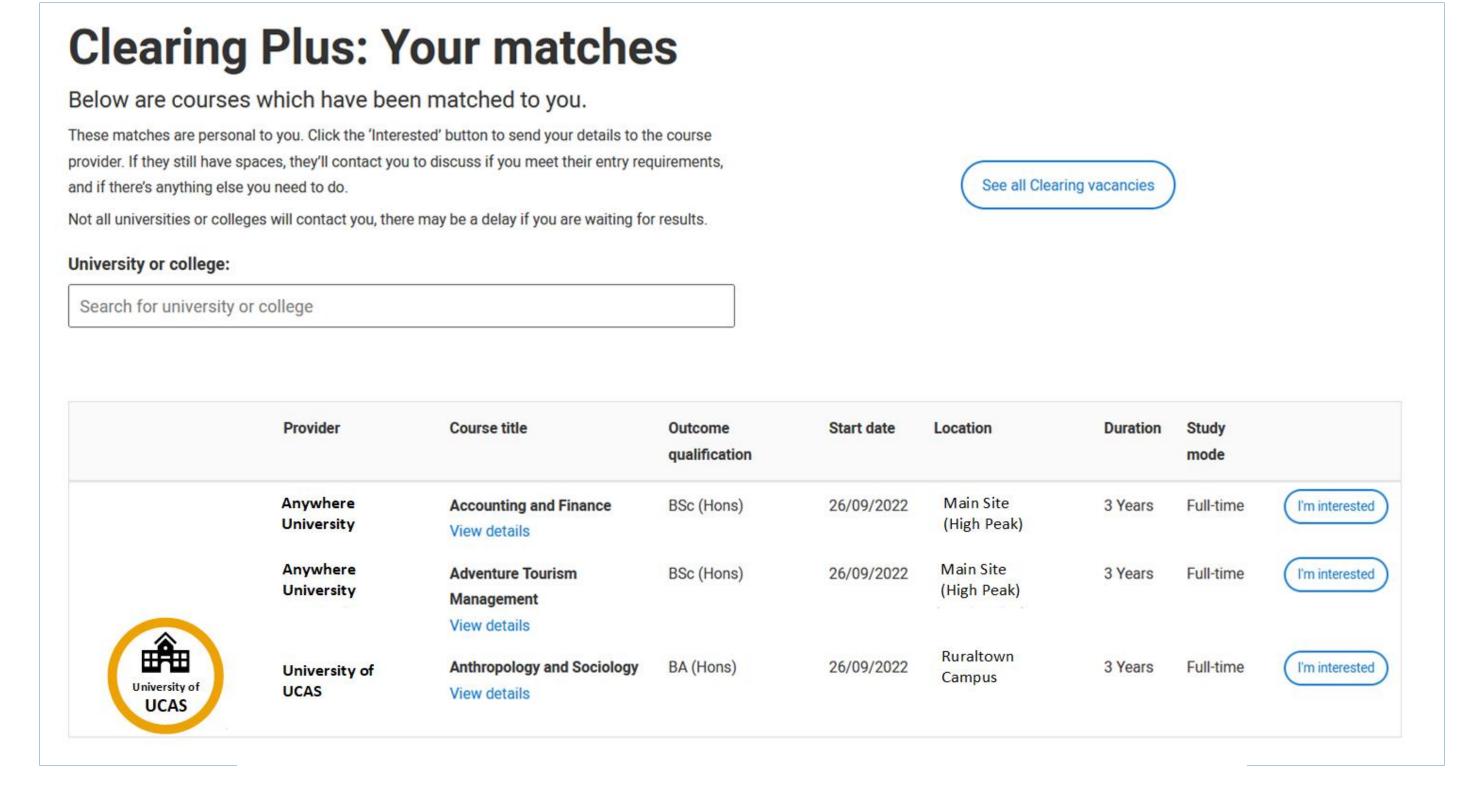




WHAT'S CLEARING PLUS?

- If you're eligible, we'll match you to up to 50 courses based on your application and what universities and colleges are looking for.
- It might help you discover courses you hadn't thought of.
- You can select 'I'm interested' to show your interest, and universities may contact you.
- You can have 5 active interests at a time, but it's not your only option. If none of the matches interest you, you can search for other courses using the UCAS tool.
- Universities may not contact you, so it's important to keep looking for available courses in Clearing using our <u>search tool</u>.





You're Interested

I agree that this course provider can contact me if they still have spaces available for this course, or a similar course, and I meet their entry requirements.

Universities and colleges will review your information and contact you if they'd like to discuss your interest further. You may not be contacted in all cases.

You can have X active expressions of interests at once. If you change your mind you can withdraw your expression of interest and make another. You should only withdraw your interest if you are sure that you do not want to study this course.

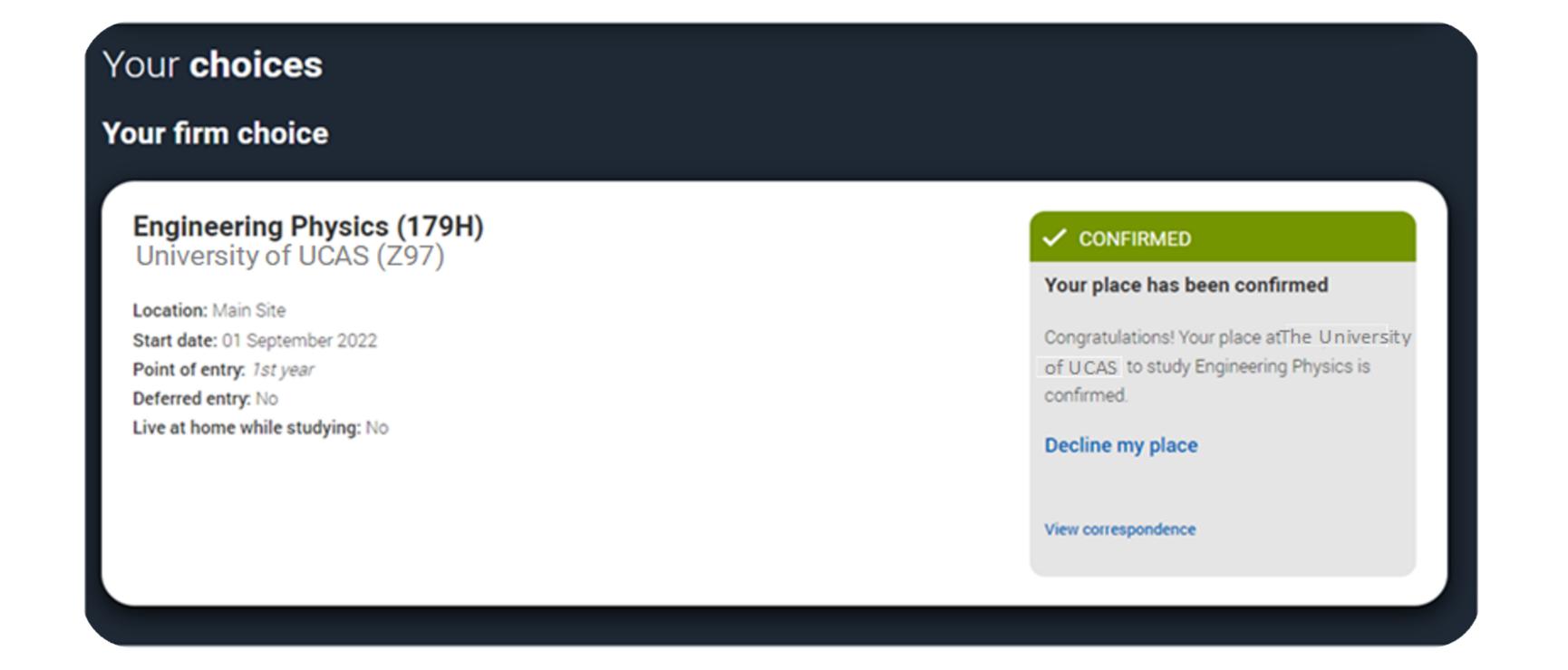
Allow providers to contact you

Deny permission



WHAT'S 'DECLINE MY PLACE'?

- Starting from 5 July, if you're holding an unconditional firm place, you can release yourself into Clearing, using 'Decline my place'.
- We recommend you secure a new place before declining if you still want to go to university or college, because once you decline, you can't undo it.
- This option is available until 3
 September 2025. After that date you'll need to contact the university or college directly.





WHEN SHOULD I USE 'DECLINE MY PLACE'?

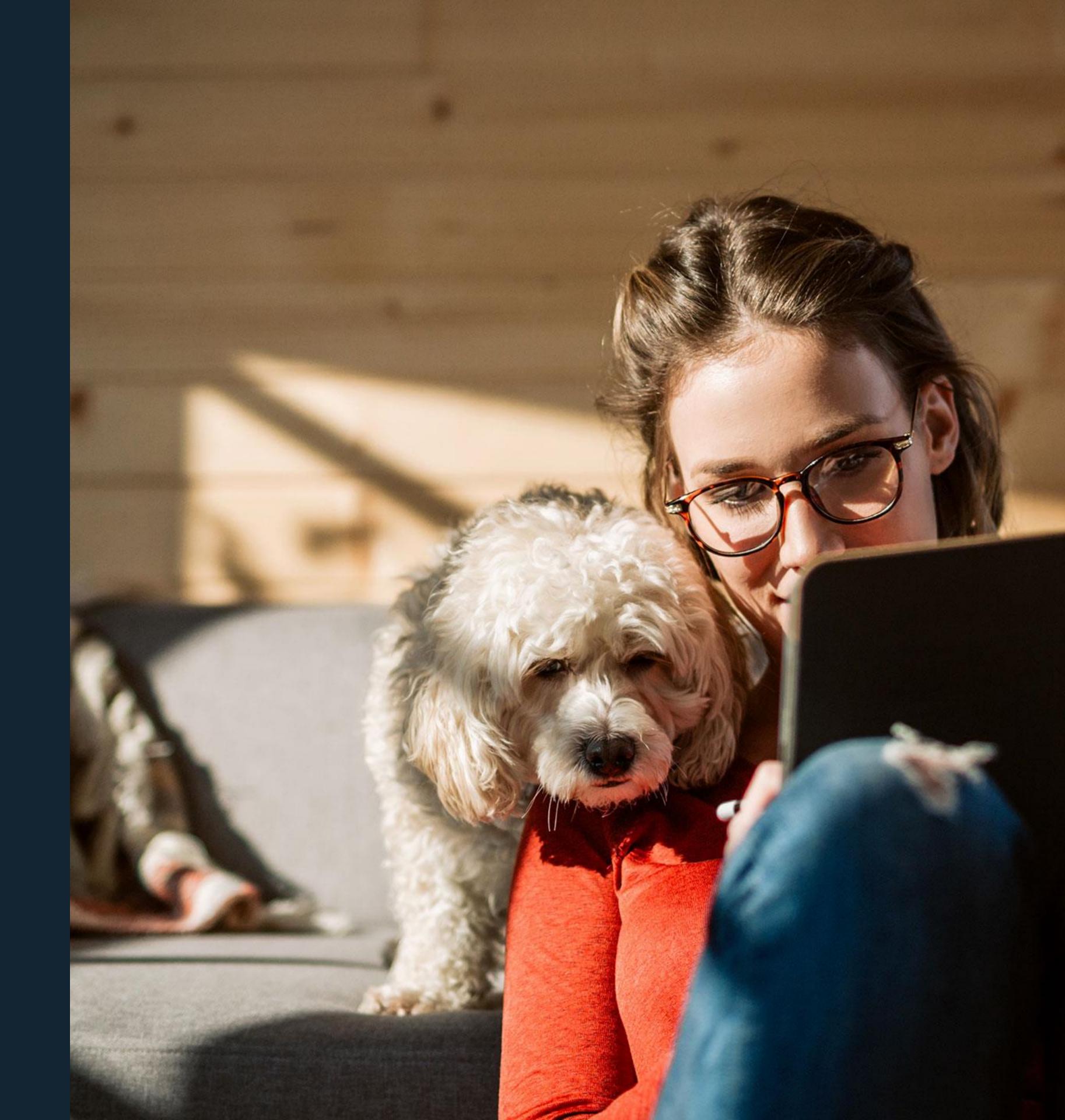
- Only decline your place if you don't want it anymore. There may be other options, and we'll give advice based on what you say.
- Declining cancels your place and contract with the university. If you want to change your course, talk to them first.
- Keep in mind, declining your place will also cancel any arrangements for accommodation, scholarships or bursaries you've made.

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- You can't swap your firm and insurance choices.
- If you're confirmed at your firm choice, your insurance is automatically declined.
- If you want to go to your insurance, you'll need to go through Clearing.
- First, check with your insurance to see if they can accept you, then use 'Decline my place' to enter Clearing.
- Don't decline your place until you're sure your insurance can offer you a spot.

CAN I SWAP BETWEEN MY FIRM AND INSURANCE?

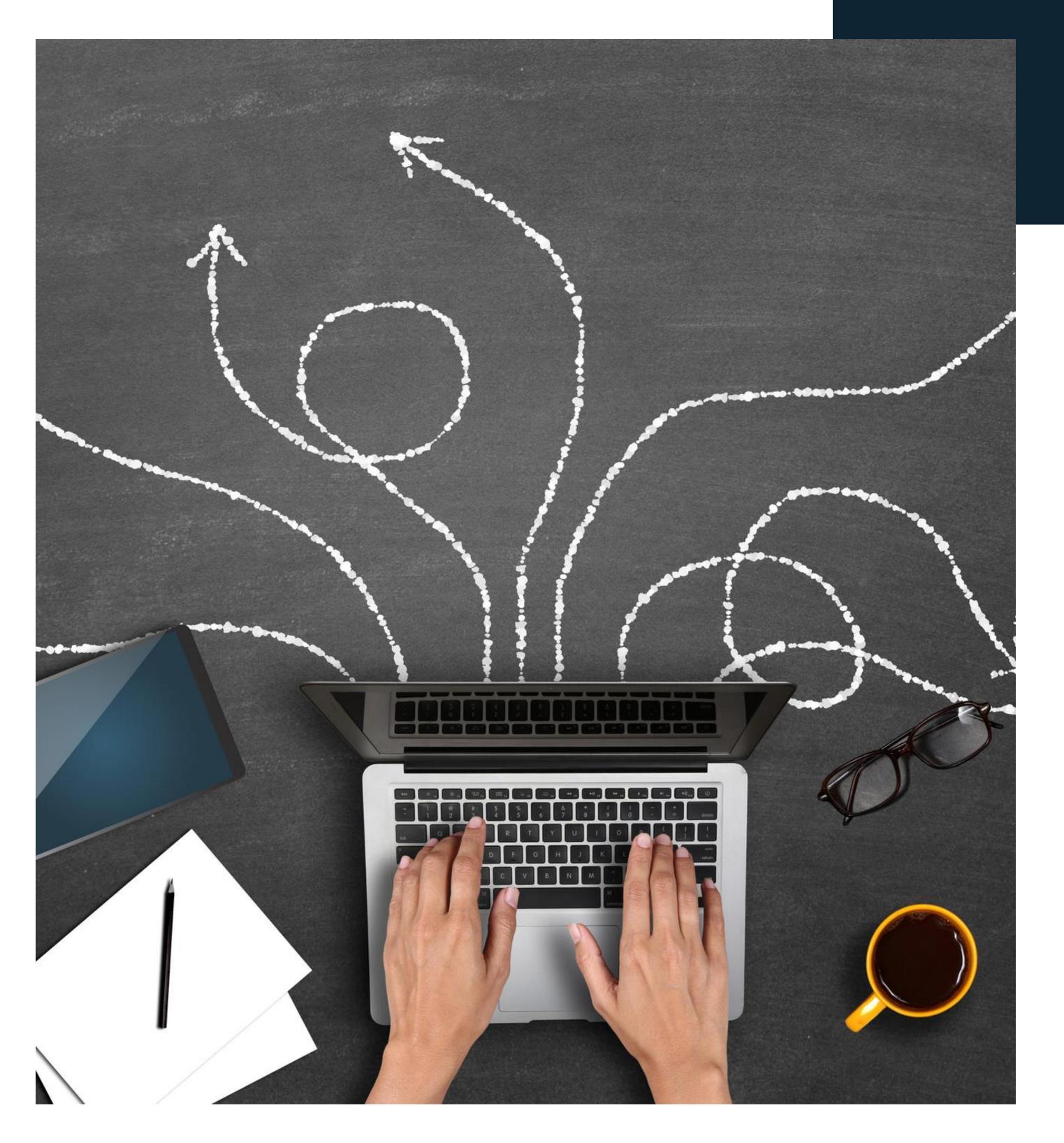
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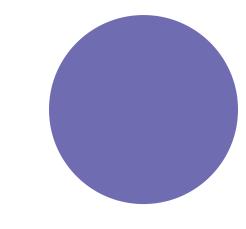
PLAN YOUR B, C & D

- Plan for different outcomes.
- Browse your options, start exploring universities, colleges, and courses before you get your results.
 Don't forget apprenticeships or a gap year! :
 - UCAS Search
 - University and college websites.
 - > Chat to students on UCAS Hub
 - Social media
- Revisit and reconsider look back at your original choices. Would you still be happy going there if a place opens up?
- Check course details, especially entry requirements, for any new courses you're considering.





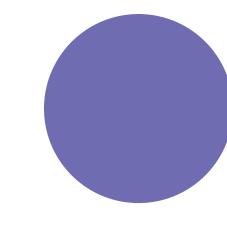
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MAKE A LIST OF TOP CHOICES

Write down the courses you'd be interested in so you can quickly check if they're in Clearing.

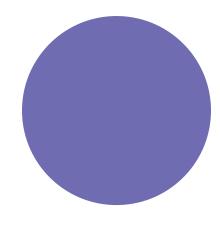
Check ucas.com for available options on results day.



KNOW HOW TO CONTACT

Find the best way to reach each university, whether by phone, email, or another method.

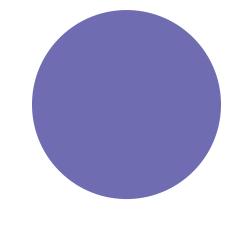
Check out their Clearing webpages for details.



KNOW WHY YOU WANT THAT PLACE

Be ready to explain why the course interests you.

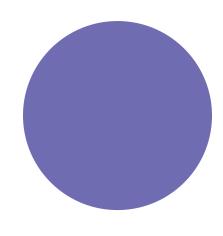
Have bullet points prepared, keep your personal statement handy (if helpful) and have your grades ready.



THINK ABOUT WHAT MATTERS TO YOU

Prepare questions about things like location, accommodation, societies, student life, and available bursaries.

Can you do a campus tour? Find the best fit for you.



TAKE CONTROL

Remember universities and colleges want to speak to you, not your parents or anyone else.

Being prepared helps you take the lead and make confident decisions.

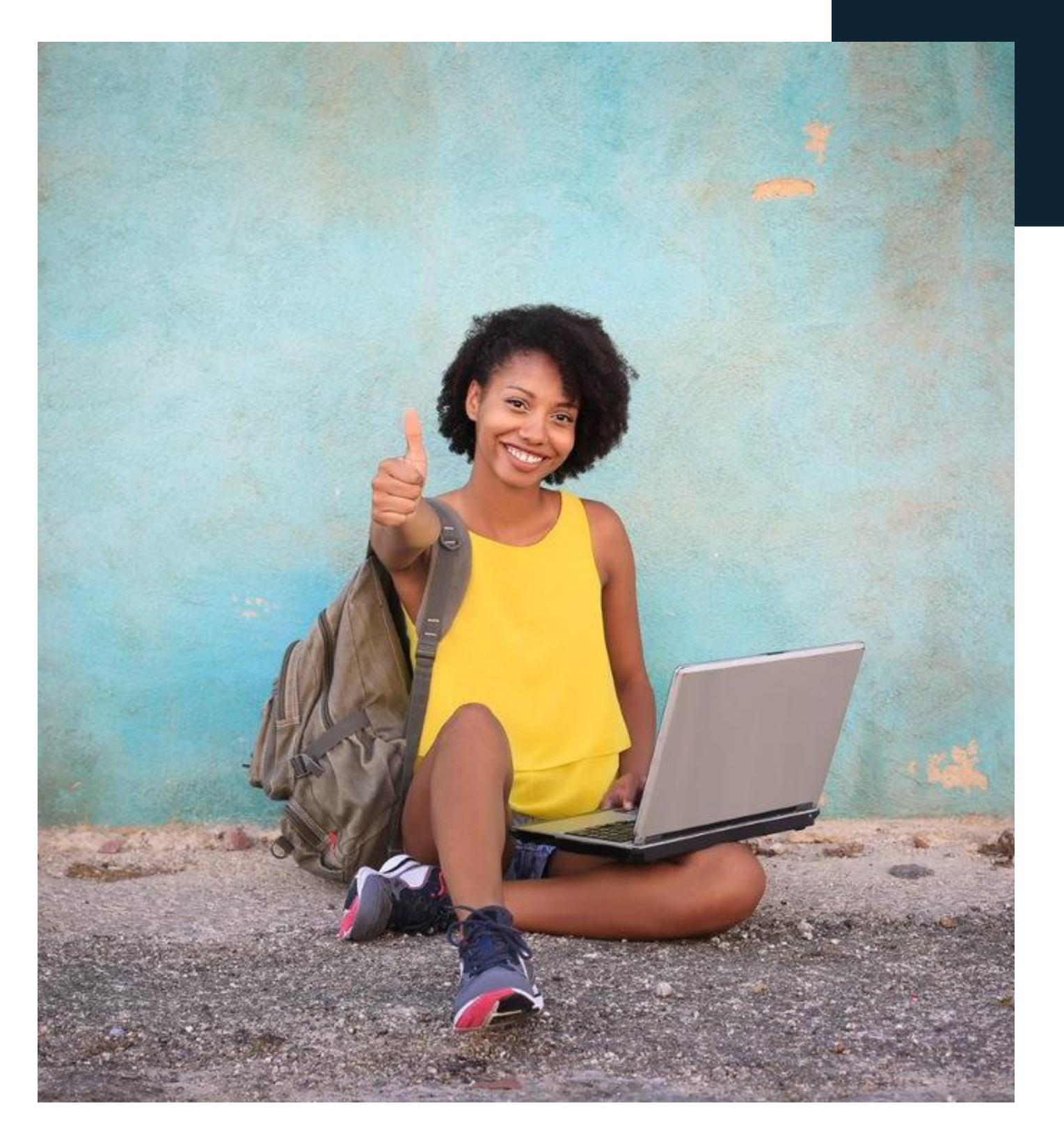


ON THE DAY CHECKLIST

Pause. Think. Take time to reflect.

- ☐ Fully charged mobile phone to make calls and stay connected.
- ☐ Personal ID Number you'll need this to speak with UCAS and universities. You can find it in your application.
- ☐ Clearing number found in your application; you may need it for Clearing.
- ☐ Your grades have them ready to share when needed.
- ☐ A copy of your personal statement helpful for inspiration if asked why you're interested in the course.
- □ Double check entry requirements these may change during Clearing, contact universities if you're unsure.
- ☐ Confirm offer timescale if you're offered a course ask how long you have to decide and add it to your application.
- ☐ Pen and paper to take notes and jot down important details!

Remember, it might be busy, so you may have to wait.



HOW CAN WE HELP?

Head Online

ucas.com/Clearing for top tips and more info.

Check out 'The Ultimate Guide to Clearing'.

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