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UCAS clearing is a way of matching universities that still have places on their courses to students without a university place.

about yourself and the university. Be prepared to say why you want the particular course and institution and what you can offer. Be prepared to answer questions on your exam results, motivation and experience. Make sure you ask questions too!

Clearing Plus matches 50 universities and courses to you automatically, so it saves you time researching. You can say that you are interested in these courses and the university will contact you, which again saves you time on hold.

You will need your clearing number, your personal statement and your UCAS ID number.

University hotlines will be extremely busy, but persevere and you'll get through eventually. It may be worth trying another university and coming back.

Yes. It is worth contacting both of your firm and insurance choice if you have just missed out, but be aware it may not change anything.



For a lot of courses yes, however this is dependent on spaces. You may have to attend an interview prior to attending or a telephone interview.

There is a chance you can do this; however, you need to contact the universities and get them to agree the change.

You need to call the university to discuss your options. If they give you permission to change your choice, they'll release you into Clearing – once they do this, your '*Track Status*' will be updated and you'll receive an email to say something has changed. You'll then be able to search and apply for courses in Clearing.

You must ask to be released by your insurance choice before you can go into clearing. Before you do this, we recommend that you identify a course through clearing and secure a verbal offer before requesting release from your insurance choice.

This is a possibility, you will have to call the university on results day and ask to defer your place. If they say yes you're enrolled onto 2025 entry, if they say no then you can reapply in September – please get in touch with your progress mentor if you are reapplying.

You can only add one clearing choice at a time to Track. If the University doesn't confirm your place, you can then add another.

It may be that the university is waiting to make a decision. If it hasn't updated later in the day, do something constructive such as calling a few universities with clearing vacancies, just in case you need a plan B.



It may be that you will have to compromise on the accommodation, if the university and course is right. Once you have been accepted at the university through clearing, contact the university and ask about their accommodation, it may be worth contacting private student accommodation providers.