

# SEVEN STEPS TO CLEARING SUCCESS

## CLEARING EXPLAINED

Clearing is the process by which universities with vacancies are matched with students seeking a place.

The busiest day in clearing is A' level results day, but Clearing actually starts on 1 July. Apply now if you're not holding any offers or are a Highers, BTEC or IB student with results.




**www.ucas.com**

Log into UCAS Track.

If your status says 'You are in Clearing' or 'Clearing has started' - you can apply to uni via Clearing.

### RESEARCH

**Before A' level results day**

If you think you might end up in Clearing be prepared and look at alternatives.

**A' level results day**

Get up early and act promptly. Go to [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) for details of the latest university course vacancies - you'll need to call them up to secure a place.



### Useful contacts

UCAS [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

**The Telegraph**  
[www.telegraph.co.uk/clearing](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/clearing)

**The Guardian**  
[www.guardian.co.uk/clearing](http://www.guardian.co.uk/clearing)

**Which University**  
[www.university.which.co.uk](http://www.university.which.co.uk)

**SAE Clearing hotline**  
03330 112 315  
[www.sae.edu/clearing](http://www.sae.edu/clearing)



### CLEARING CALLS

- Find a quiet room with a reliable phone line
- Have your uni short list with phone numbers at the ready
- Have any notes in front of you and remember what you want to say
- Do it yourself. Universities want to speak to you - not your mum!
- Be persistent. If you can't get through - keep trying.




### CONFIRM YOUR PLACE

- When you're happy, go to UCAS Track, click 'Add Clearing choice'.
- Enter the course code and details requested
- Once your university confirms this via UCAS you will receive a confirmation letter and your Track status will change.
- You have your place!

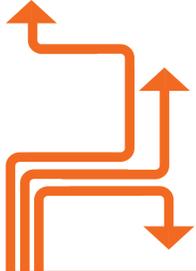


**TIME IS RUNNING OUT**

[www.sae.edu/clearing](http://www.sae.edu/clearing)

### WHY AM I IN CLEARING?

- You didn't get any offers
- You applied too late
- You didn't meet the conditions of your offer because your exam results weren't as expected



1 in 10 students found their university place through Clearing in 2015. That's more than 61,000 students, so you're not on your own.

Yeah!



### PREPARATION TICK LIST

Before calling universities have these 5 things in your battle box:

- ✓ Your UCAS Clearing number (from UCAS Track)
- ✓ The course code, name and details of the course you're enquiring about
- ✓ Your grades
- ✓ Your personal statement
- ✓ Any questions you might have about accommodation and bursaries.



### REVIEW YOUR OPTIONS

- You can verbally accept more than one offer - but you may only enter one institution on UCAS Track
- Take time to consider your clearing offer(s) - most unis will give you a couple of days.



