

Important Information for Students Who Have Applied for University

UCAS has changed its deadlines this year in response to the Covid-19 Crisis.

Firstly, there has been a pause on offers across the UK:

“The Government has asked universities and colleges across the UK to stop making unconditional offers or amending existing offers until 4 May (1 May in Wales). This is because they’re worried you’ll feel pressured to accept these offers over others you might be better suited to.

Our advice to students who have received an unconditional offer is always to consider whether this is the right provider and course for you before you make any decision.”

However, this should not be any changes to the process of making applications for students:

“Don’t worry, you don’t need to do anything. Your application will continue through the admissions process the same as it would if you had taken your examinations or assessments as expected. UCAS will still receive your grades from the awarding bodies and pass them on to your chosen unis as we have in previous years.

This means the universities or colleges you have applied to will treat your application fairly and consistently, and will consider these grades in the same way as any qualifications from previous years.

If you’re holding a conditional offer – your offer will still become unconditional if you meet the offer conditions (usually related to your grades).

If you’ve already accepted an unconditional offer – this does not affect your offer.

If your application is unsuccessful – you can still use Extra and Clearing as thousands of other students before you have.”

Importantly though, students may have more time to reply to offers, depending on whether they have received replies from all universities:

There is now only one undergraduate decision deadline for applicants that have received all of their decisions from universities and colleges by 4 June.

****They will need to reply to any offers by 18:00 (UK time) on 18 June.****

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You can visit the UCAS website at: <https://www.ucas.com/>

To learn about what this might mean for an application, visit:

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/after-you-apply/coronavirus-covid-19/what-does-mean-your-application>

You can visit this page for more information specifically for students applying in Scotland:

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/after-you-apply/coronavirus-covid-19/information-students-scotland>

You can visit the UCAS Frequently Asked Questions Page for more information by clicking this link:

<https://www.ucas.com/search/frequently-asked-questions/coronavirus>