



STAYING FOCUSED AND GOING FAR.

FIVE ESSENTIAL THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT CLEARING TO MAKE SURE YOU STAY FOCUSED AND GO FAR.

Our guide to Clearing explains what Clearing is, how it works and when you can apply. It also arms you with tips of how to make the most of Clearing.

1. WHAT IS CLEARING?

Clearing is simply another way to secure a place at university.

2. WHO IS CLEARING FOR?

- You've just decided you want to study at university
- You haven't received or accepted any university offers this year
- You applied after 6pm on 30 June
- Your predicted grades didn't go as expected and your university of choice hasn't accepted you
- You've changed your mind on what or where you would like to study and have used 'self-release'
- You received offers that you decided not to accept
- You've changed your mind, perhaps after taking a year out

3. WHEN DOES CLEARING START?

Clearing starts on 6 July and closes on 20 October. Students who haven't met the entry requirements for their chosen course, or haven't received an offer, are automatically entered into Clearing. Late applicants can also use Clearing to apply.

You can apply for a course as soon as you receive your exam results. For most students, this will be Scottish Highers and A-Levels results days (which are both in August) but if you're studying other qualifications, such as some BTEC courses, it may be sooner.

Our Clearing hotline is now open, call us on 0808 178 7373. We are here to talk to you about your options. While you can apply through Clearing with UCAS from Monday 6 July, you can also speak to our friendly team about your options or about how to apply.

You can use our course search button to identify courses that may suit you and then contact us directly to find out if you meet the entry requirements for the course. If so, we can offer you a place.

Remember, we also offer many of our courses with a foundation year that have lower entry requirements. Whatever your situation, Clearing is an opportunity for you to find the right course and the right university for you.

4. WHAT IF I HAVE A PLACE AT ANOTHER UNIVERSITY AND WANT TO CHANGE WHERE I GO?

You can use 'self-release'. This tool will be available from July in your UCAS Track.

In the past, if you wanted to change the course or university you had made your firm choice, you had to call the university and ask for them to release you into Clearing. Now, with the self-release tool, you can release yourself into Clearing to take up an offer from another university.

If you release yourself from your place at the University of Cumbria by mistake, it's ok, call the Clearing hotline and ask for admissions. Our friendly staff will reinstate your offer with the same conditions as your original offer as long there is still space on the course.

You can find out more on the UCAS website.

5. HOW DO I APPLY THROUGH CLEARING?

There are a few ways to find your university place. You can use Clearing Plus or speak to us direct.

Speak to us:

- The first step is to check our website to explore available courses.
- Select the course you want to study and call us on the Clearing hotline 0808 178 7373. Our advisers will be able to take your details and either give you a decision straight away or soon afterwards.

Important things to remember if you need to use Clearing

- Apply as soon as you have your results and make sure you're available on results day.
- Don't be put off by negative media; there has never been a better time to apply to university. Current circumstance means less distractions to study.
- Regularly check UCAS Track – if you become eligible, an 'add Clearing choice' option will appear on your Track Choices screen.
- Have your UCAS Clearing number ready when you call us.

CLEARING PLUS

Clearing Plus is available for students who haven't accepted any offers or have released themselves into Clearing in their UCAS Track account.

- The Clearing Plus tool is all about matching you with the right course and university for you. It makes Clearing easier. UCAS will use your application information to match you with universities and colleges.
- Using the tool, you'll be able to express an interest in courses it matches you to and have the option to allow the university to contact you directly. It also provides you with more support by email, social media, and phone from UCAS.

At Cumbria, we make Clearing easy, and if you don't make the grades necessary, why wait around for a year while you resit exams. We've got that covered with our range of degrees with integrated foundation years to get you ready for your course of choice.

WWW.CUMBRIA.AC.UK/STUDY/COURSES/FOUNDATION-COURSES/

Give our Clearing Hotline a call today on

0808 178 7373

for a free 1-2-1 discovery session with one of our experts to discuss your options.



**THAT'S IT.
WE'VE GOT YOU.**