

What you need to know to prepare for Results Day - Thursday 14th August 2025

Your intended destination

Once you have completed all your examinations you will be able to claim a portion of your book deposit back.

There are a number of things that you will have to do before it can be returned to you:

1. Ensure that you have returned and / or paid for any outstanding resources etc (if applicable)
2. Have completed your **Destination information on MyAquinas - under the After Aquinas menu.** - <https://www.my.aquinas.ac.uk/MYAquinas/Login.aspx>

If you have any issues with this, you need to email careers@aquinas.ac.uk

Key dates to be aware of:

- A level Results Day [Thursday 14th August](#)
- GCSE Results Day [Thursday 21st August](#)

When you can expect to be able to access your results on MyAquinas:

[Your results will be available on MyAquinas from 8am on the dates indicated above.](#)

Information about what to do if you are concerned about your results, along with details of the exam board 'Post Results Services' that are available, can be found in documents on your results page on MyAquinas.

Once you have checked your results, if you have not achieved the required grades for university, you must check your UCAS account for any updates. Your UCAS account should be updated to reflect your university's firm and insurance decisions. Depending on their viewpoint on your results, they have either offered you a place or

have withdrawn your offer. You must check your UCAS account to see what your firm and insurance universities have decided.

Confirmation

UCAS will send a letter of confirmation to those students who have been accepted by their firm or insurance offer. This may not arrive on results day but students will be able to check whether their places have been confirmed on The UCAS Hub. UCAS Hub can be accessed at www.ucas.com UCAS have stated that the UCAS Hub will be working from around 8.00am (However, the UCAS servers may not be able to handle the traffic, so there may be problems). It is possible that even when Track is working some applicants may find that their choices are not updated. This can happen if the universities are slow in communicating their decisions to UCAS or if the qualifications on your application do not match the information received from the examining board. Alternatively, it may mean you are borderline, as you have not quite achieved the grades in your offer. The university is delaying making their decision as to whether to offer you a place, as they are waiting to see if other students decline their place.

It is important to remember that if you have satisfied the conditions (i.e. achieved the **precise** results required or above) demanded by your firm choice, your place will be confirmed and there is **no need for you to contact the university concerned**.

UCAS will send the majority of applicants' results to the universities and colleges before results day. It is therefore essential that you have provided UCAS with accurate and full examination information. If you have made any changes to your qualifications since your application to UCAS, e.g. you have withdrawn from an examination, it is important **that you inform your firm and insurance choice university as this could delay confirmation** of your place.

Universities will have received the results three days earlier and will therefore have had time to decide whether or not to accept you, should your results have fallen short of the offer you are holding. If you have just failed to meet the conditions of your firm choice don't panic- they may still take you! If not, you may well have been accepted by your insurance choice. **If you have satisfied the demands of your insurance offer, you do not need to contact the university concerned as they will automatically confirm your place.**

If you have not met the requirement set by either of your offers look at UCAS Track to check whether or not you have still been accepted with the grades you have achieved. They may have offered you a place on another course which is similar. If the university does this, check the content of the course very carefully. Is it what you want to study?

Not achieved the results required? - support is available at Aquinas College.

We will be providing support to any students that need it, BUT on Results Day we will be prioritising students who have applied to university and missed out on the grades they needed.

These students are likely to require support with clearing and therefore need immediate advice and guidance.

If, on Results Day, you still don't have any idea what to do after Aquinas and want general careers advice, please email the careers team - careers@aquinas.ac.uk

The team will get back to you ASAP to arrange a time to discuss your options.

If you have missed out on your UCAS offer and are in clearing

Hopefully you will be celebrating on results day but if you have any issues there will be support available from college.

If you do not achieve the grades you need to meet your UCAS offers and you want support with clearing or advice around options, then call the college on the main number 0161 483 3237. We will offer you an appointment that day to come in and meet with a member of staff who will be able to support you.

College phone lines will be open from 8:30am on the 14th August to offer support and advice to students about Clearing. Senior Tutors and the Careers Team will be available to support you, should you need it. You will need to contact the college beforehand to book an appointment to see a member of staff about your results. This is to ensure that we can effectively support you. Please do not just turn up without an appointment.

If you are likely to need help when you come to college – be prepared! You will need to bring the following:-

- Your UCAS Personal ID number, username and password
- The course codes
- Your mobile phone, fully charged
- It may also be worthwhile giving some thought to alternative courses and institutions; bring any relevant information with you so that you can make early contact, thereby increasing your chances of finding a suitable place.
- **Generally it is better if you make the phone calls - not your parents or tutors.** So bring a fully charged mobile phone.

If you have forgotten your Personal ID, Username and Password you need to contact UCAS. (0871 468 0468) *Do this in advance of results day.*

Trying to establish what your position is by telephoning the admissions tutor for the course is time consuming, it can take a few hours! If you feel you may not get the grades required and still want to go to university, start checking UCAS Clearing vacancies from early July and find out which courses still have places. Contact the university beforehand to discuss the course content. Produce a list of the telephone

numbers of the universities you are interested in so you have them ready, if needed, on results day.

You are eligible for clearing if

- o You are not holding any offers
- o You have not withdrawn from the UCAS scheme
- o The offers you were holding have not been confirmed because you have not achieved the results required
- o You have declined offers or you have not responded by the due date and therefore hold no offers
- o You are a late applicant, i.e. you applied after 30th June

Course vacancies in Clearing are published on the UCAS site from early July until late-September. You will need to contact institutions directly to discuss your options and suitability for the course.

How do you enter Clearing?

If you are eligible, **you will be automatically** entered into an **electronic Clearing system**. This will be available on Track. An 'add clearing choice' button will appear on your Track 'choices' screen. This button is not usually available till the afternoon of results day in order for you to have time to carry out research before making a decision. Do not rush into a decision.

What do you need to do?

1. Make a note of your **Clearing entry number** (*This can be found on your UCAS Student Hub*) and your **Personal ID number**. (*The Personal ID is a 10 character number presented in the format 123-456-7890*). You will need to quote these during clearing.
2. Check the lists for the courses that interest you. Lists of courses with vacancies will be available:
 - o On the UCAS website - www.ucas.com
 - o Unofficial listings may appear in other newspapers but these may not be complete
 - o University websites will list their own vacancies
3. Once you have decided on a course you **must** contact institutions directly to discuss your options and suitability for the course. You should do this immediately and you should make this contact yourself. Try telephoning first; this is the quickest way. If you can't get through, try emailing or even visiting the department! If the University is satisfied

you have met their entry criteria they will give you a verbal offer stating that you must accept it within a given time period.

- 4 Once you have a verbal acceptance you must then put the details on Track. The university will then confirm your place on Track by displaying 'clearing accept'.
- 5 Even if you do manage to sort out a place through clearing shortly after getting your results, you will usually not be able to input your clearing offer until the afternoon of 19th August. (This stops you rushing into a decision as you can only put one clearing place into the system).
6. When you find a place through Clearing and have been accepted, UCAS will send you official confirmation.

Further advice about how to apply for vacancies in Clearing is on the UCAS site.

The UCAS website has a range of resources to help guide you through the different scenarios should you need to review your options:

<https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/results-clearing>

Clearing vacancies will be listed on the UCAS search tool -

<https://digital.ucas.com/search>

Not going to university? Are you still looking for an apprenticeship/gap year opportunity?

If you are looking for an apprenticeship or gap year opportunity but haven't secured one yet, you can still gain support from the Aquinas Careers Service. The resources from the Student Hub can help you with the necessary steps you need to take:

[Explore Possibilities](#) -

<https://sites.google.com/aquinas.ac.uk/student-hub/career/career-development-activities/lower-sixth/explore-possibilities>

List of Apprenticeship resources to use:

Find an Apprenticeship government website -

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Not going to Uni - <https://notgoingtouni.co.uk/opportunities>

Indeed Apprenticeship search -

https://uk.indeed.com/jobs?q=Apprenticeship&l=Manchester&from=mobRdr&utm_source=%2Fm%2F&utm_medium=redir&utm_campaign=dt&vjk=36b414d63f962c01

Rate My Apprenticeship -

<https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/search?show=jobs>

UCAS Apprenticeship search tool - <https://careerfinder.ucas.com/>

Unifrog Apprenticeship tool - <https://www.unifrog.org/student/apprenticeships/start>

Apprenticeship providers:

Manchester Metropolitan University Degree Apprenticeship programmes -

<https://www.mmu.ac.uk/study/apprenticeships>

The Apprentice Academy - <https://theapprenticeacademy.co.uk/>

QA Apprenticeships - <https://www.qa.com/apprenticeships/become-an-apprentice/>

List of Gap Year providers:

Yipiyap - <https://www.yipiyap.co.uk/>

Cafod - <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/For-young-people/CAFOD-Gap-year>

Information from UCAS about Gap Year ideas -

<https://www.ucas.com/discover/gap-years>

To contact the Aquinas Careers team, email is Careers@Aquinas.ac.uk

Good luck and best wishes!