

As we approach the busy summer period of exam results and university decisions, we want to ensure that you have all of the information about what to expect.

Confirmation

If you have applied directly to Newcastle College University Centre, you need not worry as confirmation is an extremely simple process and you should have received all of the information you need already.

However, if you have applied through UCAS, you can view any updates to your application status on your UCAS Track page. If your results meet the entry requirements for your firm or insurance choice, your offer will change from Conditional to Unconditional and from there, if you're happy, you can accept and confirm your place!

Change of Course Offer

In some cases where you have not met the entry requirements for either your firm or insurance choice, you may be offered a Change Of Course Offer. This is another course that the university feels you would be suited to and is happy to offer you a place on, for example a foundation course or a similar subject with slightly lower entry requirements. It is absolutely your choice whether to accept a Change of Course offer and if you are not happy with the alternative, you could still decline your offer and search for another course through UCAS Clearing.

Clearing

Clearing a way for universities to release any places still available on their courses. You can apply for one of these places through Clearing if you have been unsuccessful at all of your choices, if you haven't applied to any other courses before 30th June or if you have changed your mind and declined your current choices.

1. Always try to speak to a tutor or advisor first so that you can discuss your options and ensure that you have all of the information. Next, you can see what is available through the Clearing website or the Newcastle College University Centre website. Check the entry requirements, start date and what the course entails. The entry requirements may have gone up or gone down and they are subject to change throughout the Clearing period, so remember to check when researching.
2. Once you've found a course that you like, you'll need to call the college or university and speak to a member of staff. Register for Clearing on the UCAS website and keep a note of your Clearing ID Number (this is different to your student reference number and UCAS ID). If you're told by the university or college that you can apply for the course, they will take note of your Clearing ID Number and advise you to add the course as a Clearing Choice. Some courses will still require you to attend an interview or audition even if you apply through Clearing and so these applications can take longer to complete.
3. You can add a Clearing choice via the UCAS website by clicking on "Your Choices" and then "Add a Clearing Choice" using the course ID. You'll then need to wait for the university to respond but you won't need to reply to this offer once they have confirmed your choice.
4. Once your place has been confirmed, make sure you have everything else in place like organise any accommodation you need and updating the course and university on your student finance application (Or make a new application if this is your first time applying.)

Support through Confirmation and Clearing

Confirmation and Clearing can be a stressful time for applicants so make sure to look after your mental health and access all of the support that is available to you. You're not on your own!

If you are **care experienced**, there is additional support and guidance for you at NCG. Our progression Coordinator, Poppy, will be available during the Clearing period to help you to navigate the process and support you through making decisions. Please don't hesitate to contact her on teams, email (poppy.redfearn@ncgrp.co.uk) or phone (07486031383).

For more information on Confirmation and Clearing visit the Newcastle College or UCAS website.