

WHAT HAVE UCAS' ADVISORY AND STANDING GROUPS BEEN TALKING ABOUT?

2020 – 2021

ENGAGEMENT NUMBERS:

- > **410** people attended
- > **205** different providers/advisers/stakeholders
- > **48** groups met

THEMES DISCUSSED:

- > Reimagining UK Admissions
- > Clearing Plus
- > 2021 cycle & cycle dates
- > Events including virtual, Facebook lives and Hub events
- > Confirmation and Clearing plans
- > Apprenticeships
- > My Application
- > Myriad



OVER THE PAST YEAR GROUPS HAVE:

- > Supported UCAS to make in-cycle changes to dates and deadlines, including the extension of the January Equal Consideration Deadline.
- > Helped to prioritise Clearing Plus developments.
- > Contributed to the UCAS response to the DfE PQA Consultation
- > Helped shape the agenda for the Admissions Conference, and members contributed by leading discussions.
- > Ensured that the UTT scheme continued to run smoothly and responsively in its last year of operation, with no decline in the quality of service offered.
- > Facilitated exchange of information and provided a useful feedback loop between UCAS, teacher training providers and the Department for Education to ensure the smooth transition from UTT to DfE Apply.
- > Helped the development of the 2022 conservatoire application and dates and deadlines for the cycle.
- > Feedback and helped improve conservatoire operational issues.

PLUS

- > **35** new members in 8 different groups
- > A new Chair for the Student Advisory Group
- > **2** C&C readiness forums
- > The Open Data Task and Finish Group was set up in September 2020 and concluded in March 2021.
- > Advisory Group have been realigned to UCAS' customer centric way of working and product-led approach to development.
- > **3** new advisory groups have been set up: Apprenticeship, Provider and Adviser.
- > **4** new Policy Nation Groups are in the process of being set up: English, Northern Irish, Scottish and Welsh.
- > New regional forums to be organised across Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- > A 2023 and Beyond Task and Finish Group has been set up focusing on admission reform across all nations.

