ADVISER NEWSLETTER



Your 2026 cycle toolkit and Adviser Guide

The 2026 cycle toolkit is packed with essential resources to help you guide your students, keep colleagues informed, and engage parents.

Explore the toolkit

Supporting your 2025 applicants in April

- Reply by dates are coming up soon for universities and colleges, meaning it won't be long before your students receive all their decisions. See dates for 2025 entry
- Remember to keep staff contact details up to date to ensure you don't miss important updates. Get in touch
- Track your students' applications with your Applicant Status Report in the 'Tracking Offers and Decisions' area of the Adviser Portal.
- Join our C&C webinar on 8 April Get expert insights and top tips for supporting your students. Book your place
- The Adviser Portal opens 6 May for the 2026 cycle. Take a look at our top tips for getting set up.



New look Adviser Portal

We're rolling out updates to the Adviser Portal over the next 9-12 months, shaped by your feedback. First up—a refreshed user interface, making navigation smoother as we shape the portal into a one-stop hub for news, updates, and key resources. We'll keep you up to date as we release new features.



Empowering neurodivergent learners

Help your students shine with a strengths-based approach to university applications. Our latest blog explores practical strategies to identify strengths, build confidence, and navigate the process with clarity.





New Apprenticeship application guides

Support your students as they navigate apprenticeship applications with our new guides. Covering business, construction, and creative apprenticeships, these resources provide expert advice from employers on what makes a strong application.

Explore the guides



UCAS Adviser Training – 7 May

New to your role or part of a newly registered centre? Join our next inperson training to gain expert guidance, practical insights, and best practices to support your students from discovery to application.

<u>Sign up</u>



Join us at your local Discovery

Over 50,000 students have attended UCAS Discovery events so far this year. Help your group explore their future at our upcoming UCAS Discovery Events. Your students will meet universities, discover courses, and gain expert insights to guide their next steps.

Find an event near you



Parent resources for your school newsletter

1. <u>Parents' Podcast: Careers of the future</u> - Hear from the experts on how you can help them navigate the changing job market. Our latest episode talks about how to best guide the person you're supporting in finding the right path for them.

2. <u>How to help them make the right decision</u> – Is the course right for them? Have they been to an open day? These are some questions parents can ask them before they accept an offer.

3. <u>UCAS Extra: what it is and how it works</u> - If your student has found themselves without any offers and have used all five choices, they can still find a place using UCAS Extra.

Don't forget, parents can sign up to the UCAS Parents' Newsletter for more top tips on supporting a person with their application.

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