

# UK National Marking and Assessment Boycott

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**To:** *Heads of Schools, Senior College Administrators/College Office, School Administrators, Graduate School Managers, Programme Managers, College Office Directors, Admissions Tutors, Marketing Managers, College Finance Managers, UCD Global*

Dear Martin,

The following email is being sent at the request of the Acting Registrar and Deputy President.

As you may be aware, the University and College Union (UCU) in the UK announced a national marking and assessment boycott earlier this year.

The extent to which UK universities are affected varies - 145 out of approximately 160 universities are involved but the impact amongst those will differ depending on how many academics are in the University and College Union.

While there are likely to be some individual variations, the response of most universities seems to be that they will award an unclassified degree, for the sake of allowing students to graduate, and the grade will follow later.

Under the circumstances, it is recommended that, where possible, any affected applicants are given additional time in which to provide documentation confirming their final degree results. In practical terms this is likely to mean a final cut off around mid-August. If it looks like this is going to go on beyond mid-August, we will have to consider options for alternative evidence and we will contact you again at that stage.

It is appreciated that this will place an additional burden on Schools and that, in some instances, it may not be feasible. However, where at all possible, it is requested that special consideration be given to any affected applicants until this situation, which is not of their making and beyond their control, is resolved.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact me directly.

Regards,  
Martin

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