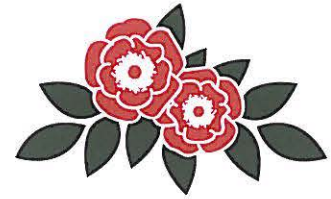


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A Level results: put the students first

Whilst the media engage in debate over the marking of A level scripts and the grades achieved by individual students, UCLan have issued the following statement:

“The university believe that it is the students that should be considered at the heart of this issue. The media frenzy is serving to unsettle many students who have worked so hard to realise their ambition of getting into Univeristy.

If any student that applied to UCLan finds that they have been disadvantaged as a result of errors in the calculation of their A Level grade we will honour the original offer.

Across the country over 300,000 students are now settling into university life, whether or not they got their first choice and they will go on to successfully complete a degree. As these students settle in to their accommodation, make new friends and begin their studies it is irresponsible to unsettle them, for what will almost certainly turn out to be only minor changes in the majority of cases.

The timescales of the remarking of scripts will not be quick and our advice is therefore that students should continue with their university studies.”

The University has the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Alan Roff available for further comment / interview this afternoon, THURSDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2002.

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