

## **A third of 2016 applicants having second thoughts about their uni choice**

30% of students are already having 'second thoughts' about their university choice despite the UCAS application window only closing on the 15th January.

The poll by the world's largest online student community [The Student Room](#) revealed 40% of applicants are either not happy (10%) or having second thoughts (30%) about their university choices.

Students are making their decisions far too early with one student saying "I regret it [applying early] because I really want to apply to some unis now but I can't. My first choice is 3 and a half hours away which is too far for me. I'm still figuring out what to do." The application window is open from September to January.

Others felt that the offers they had received from universities were too high based on their predicted grades and are now feeling nervous about achieving their grades this summer.

Hannah Morrish, education community manager at [The Student Room](#) says "As the cycle progresses and plans become more 'real', many people become nervous and question whether they're making the right decision. If you are now regretting your choices, it is important to be sure that this change of heart is 'real' and not just a case of cold feet.

Ask for advice from teachers, friends, family, or ask student experts on [The Student Room](#). If you can, go and visit the universities that you plan to choose as your firm and insurance and see if you can book an appointment with the course leader to discuss your situation. Stay calm and consider why you're having second thoughts and then look at all your options depending on where your application is in the cycle."

*[The Student Room](#) polled 1,423 students between 15th - 19th January 2016*

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