



AGCAS

The Association of Graduate
Careers Advisory Services

Coronavirus (COVID-19) FAQs

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What is the latest update from AGCAS?

In response to [the government's announcement](#) on 16 March 2020, we took the following decisions:

AGCAS office

- We instigated home working, effective from Tuesday 17 March 2020. The AGCAS office will be closed until further notice.
- All AGCAS staff are set up for remote working, with access to our usual [office phone lines and numbers](#). We do not expect too much disruption, but please bear with us as it might take a little longer than usual to reply to enquiries.

AGCAS meetings

- All face-to-face meetings have been changed to video or telephone conference facilities until further notice.

AGCAS Training and Events

- On 30 March 2020, we announced that the AGCAS Board has taken the decision to cancel AGCAS Annual Conference 2020, due to take place 17–18 June 2020 in Nottingham. We hope to be able to offer elements of the conference to members in different formats over the coming months, in particular the AGCAS Awards for Excellence. We will share further updates when we can.
- For other AGCAS events, we have been working with trainers and Task Groups to identify those that can successfully be adapted to remote delivery. Inevitably, there are some events that are being postponed until 2020/2021. If you have already booked on to any of these events, your credit card payment will be refunded and invoices will not be issued. During week commencing 30 March, we will be contacting everyone who has booked on to upcoming events to discuss next steps, as well as updating the [Training and Conferences pages](#).

What is the latest advice and information on coronavirus?

AGCAS staff will continue to monitor the [latest government guidance](#) on a daily basis. If our operations are amended further as a result of new developments, we will communicate any changes to our services to members as soon as possible.

I am due to travel on AGCAS business, what should I do?

- All travel required for AGCAS business has been postponed and meetings are being run using video or telephone conference facilities. AGCAS can provide remote services for all AGCAS business and we will do our best to meet increasing demand for these platforms in the coming weeks.
- All members and affiliates are advised to follow employer and the [latest government guidance](#) for any future work-related travel.
- There are no current or expected plans for employees or volunteers to travel overseas.

I am a registered student on the Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma and MA in Career Education, Information and Guidance in Higher Education, delivered by The University of Warwick in collaboration with AGCAS. How do the changes affect my studies?

- As of 16 March 2020, in line with the wider higher education sector, the Vice-Chancellor at the University of Warwick stated that all face-to-face teaching was cancelled with immediate effect and either delivered online or postponed to a later date.
- Existing arrangements for AGCAS bookings, module enrolment, and the submission and marking of coursework are still in place and will continue for the foreseeable future. Please continue working on any existing modules as normal if you are able. The resource account career.studies@warwick.ac.uk is still operational and should be used as normal for any course administration queries. Please email your Warwick Module Leader if you have any queries regarding existing assignments.
- We recognise that the changes may have an impact on your studies and apologise for any inconvenience caused. The University of Warwick is currently updating its guidance on mitigating circumstances in the light of Covid-19. This will be sent out to all students as soon as possible. If you are at all concerned, please do arrange a phone appointment with your Personal Tutor using the scheduler in the [Course Hub in Moodle](#).
- Please continue to use your personal tutor and the University's wellbeing support services if you would like further advice and guidance. Please also stay up to date as the situation progresses with advice and FAQs at www.warwick.ac.uk/coronavirus and use the NHS 111 online service if you feel unwell.

External links

[Government advice](#)

[Government action plan](#)

[World Health Organisation advice](#)

[NHS 111 online coronavirus advice](#)